



Monthly Meeting

May 15, 2024

Senior Center – 6635 Lincoln Street Bonners Ferry, Idaho

Elena Quinn said the invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance

The agenda, April's minutes, and Treasurer's report were approved with no objections.

We were recognized by the National Federation of Republican Women for the over 70% growth of our club this past year. We have the option of purchasing a pin as a symbol of the recognition. Elena will get us that information.

Candidates:

Jon VanGesen for Boundary County Sheriff

Dave Schuman for Boundary County Sheriff

Elected Official's Reports:

None

Old Business:

Open Primaries Initiative – Ranked Choice Voting – This has received enough signatures to be on the ballot in November. Elena wants us to put on a speaking event to explain what ranked choice voting is and why it is not good for us. We need to get someone with a recognizable name. Phil McGrane, Brent Regan (Chairman of the Republican party in Kootenai Party), Heather Scott, or Scott Herndon. Lynda Fioravanti brought up the idea of doing a short video to post on line. We need to also target younger voters. We could partner with other clubs because this is a State wide issue. We have until September because of early voting. Opposition is already handing out information at the Farmer's Market. We should get someone there ASAP to hand out information also. Use local radio stations. If you know someone who signed, let them know they can go to the clerks office before May 30th to have their name taken off the list. Go back and watch the candidate forum, one of the candidates is pro open primaries.

Parade – Elena made t-shirts (\$18). She has 3 different kinds. Does anyone have a red truck to pull a trailer. Laura Richardson has a red C50. Curley Creek has a red truck for sale. Are we allowed to hand out flyers with information on Ranked Choice Voting and when our event is?

Fair – We already have a booth. Our main focus is going to be information about the Open Primaries Initiative. The fair is in August.

Primary – We have signs! If you know of a place, take some signs.

New Business:

“Let my People Go” movie – by David Clements (Speaker at Bonner Lincoln Day). It is on all the ways votes can be manipulated. It informs us on how to ask the right questions. Already lined up Covenant Bible Church. Movie is a little over 2 hours long. It is free on Rumble and Frank Speech, yet not very many people have seen it. Can we have popcorn? We will need water. We could sell popcorn to make some money. We voted to have the movie the end of June.

Pole Watchers – We have enough, actually to many.

Other Meetings? - Can we get a calendar posted on our website? May 29th 6PM is the RCC's reorganizational meeting. Republican Delegate Convention is June 13th - 15th