

MINUTES

COALITION FOR CONSERVATIVE MAJORITY-CS

April 7, 2009

Regular Meeting

Three Margaritas Restaurant

President Dan Lanotte called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

Convene

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Joanne Zinn was appointed Secretary Pro Tem.

Sec. Pro Tem

A quorum was present.

Quorum

President Lanotte welcomed all guests and introduced officers present.

48 members and guests were present.

Clem moved that the Minutes of the March Regular Meeting be dispensed with since the Minutes had been sent to the members.

Minutes

The Treasurer, Joanne Zinn, reported:

Treasurer
Report

Colorado Springs Chapter: Balance, March 3, 2009	\$2,331.50
Dues	<u>\$ 416.00</u>
Balance	\$2, 747.50
Expenses-Printing	<\$ 166.48>
-E-mail program	<u><\$ 102.00></u>
Balance, April 7, 2009	\$2, 479.02

President Lanotte reported that there had been discussion as to whether CCM-CS is working at the local, state or national level. The answer is all 3 levels but we need much assistance in covering all three.

Officer
Reports

Michelle Morin, External Communications Chairman, gave a progress report including the new "Hope and Change" posters and plans for a table at the TEA party April 15. She needs much additional help with media contacts and other communications efforts.

Clem Borkowski, Internal Communications Committee Chairman, gave a report on progress with e-mail alerts and the Website. He mentioned only 45% of e-mails are being opened and asked for input on how people prefer to be contacted.

President Lanotte read the Bylaw amendments, as proposed at the March meeting, to delete Life Member and Affiliate Member from Article III, Section 3. The motion to adopt the amendments was made by Clem Borkowsk, seconded and unanimously adopted.

Bylaw
Amendments

President Lanotte read the Bylaw amendments, as proposed at the March meeting, concerning Article IV, Officers.

The Bylaw amendments are:

Section 1, Paragraph D to read: "Nominations and self-nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer may be made prior to the regular January meeting or may be made from the floor during that meeting. Elections shall be held during the regular January meeting in the odd-numbered years."

Section 2, Paragraph A to read: "Officers for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by secret ballot every two years in the odd-numbered years."

Section 2, Paragraph B to read: "The assembled members at the January meeting of odd-numbered years shall cast ballots for the election of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer....."

Section 3, Duties of Officers, Paragraph B to read: "Vice President"

Sub-Paragraph 2 to read: "Assumes the office of President in the case of a vacancy in the office of President."

All subsequent Articles and Sections: Replace President-Elect with Vice President.

Mike Chaves moved to adopt these changes, the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The next proposed By-Law amendment to be voted on was Article VI, Executive Committee, Section 1 to read: "The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Standing and Special Committee Chairs." Ben gray moved the amendment be adopted, the motion was seconded and passed.

Bruce Nozolino nominated Brad Collins for the vacant office of Vice President. The nomination was seconded and, there being no further nominations, Brad was elected by acclamation.

ELECTION
OF VICE
PRESIDENT

Donna Miller reported on plans for the TEA party on April 15. President Lanotte mentioned that Donna and Julie Collard had paid all the expenses

DISCUSSION

(over \$1,000) for the event and suggested that members might wish to give them donations to help with expenses.

President Lanotte said that he and other chapter presidents would be having a monthly conference call with Tom DeLay.

Michelle Morin and Clem Borkowski gave a communications strategy presentation with suggestions on writing articles, responding with comments about other conservative articles and letters, contacting elected officials, researching and asked for volunteers to come forward to help with phoning and mailings. There was discussion about the need for U.S. mail contact with some members who do not have e-mail.

The next meeting will be May 5, 2009, at 6:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Joanne Zinn, Secretary Pro Tem

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