

## District 23 Republican Committee

### General Meeting – March 10, 2022

Christ's Church of Fountain Hills

#### Call to Order (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

Rich Rutkowski led the Invocation; Arthur Cooper led the Pledge of Allegiance

Dr Rutkowski introduced all elected officials and candidates. He also introduced newly appointed PCs and the LD23 officers.

#### Approval of Minutes from February 10, 2022,

Motion to accept minutes from General Meeting on February 10, 2022 was made by Patty Stetson and seconded by Ramona Kelley.

Motion passed and minutes approved.

#### Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Reported cash balance of \$22,612.00. This money will be split between all new Legislative Districts per the MCRC formula.

#### Key Event Reminders (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

March 12: Medical Freedom Rally

March 26: Hike for the Homeless ([www.sjwobs.org](http://www.sjwobs.org))

March 28: LD8 Election Meeting (call letter will be sent)

March 30: LD4 Election Meeting (call letter will be sent)

March 31: LD3 Organizational Meeting (call letter will be sent)

Please see website for additional information.

#### Program/Speakers (Joe Junker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman)

Joe introduced **Candace Czarny**, a PC in our district for a presentation on [PC Door knocking-Becoming a Powerful Influencer](#)

Candace explained that each PC represents 125 voters. From a MoveOn.gov study it was shown that voter turnout increased by 9% with door to door canvassing. Talking to voters is crucial for GOP victories in 2022. To prepare for canvassing, a PC should have their badge, a business card with a picture, a flyer and a buddy (never go alone). Be sure to identify yourself at the door and ask the voter questions that require more than just a "yes" or "no" answer. Candace provided some great information and pointers about talking to voters and the presentation helped take the fear out of door knocking. For a copy of her slides or additional information go to:

[www.azgrassrootshub.com/gop](http://www.azgrassrootshub.com/gop) The password is: TrumpWon.

#### District Business (Rutkowski and Nancy Ordowski)

LD Reorganization/Election Meetings (Rutkowski): see dates above. A call letter will be sent by either email (if you opted in) or postal service with the time, date and location. Go to [Redistricting Election | Maricopa County Republicans \(maricopagop.org\)](http://Redistricting Election | Maricopa County Republicans (maricopagop.org)) for information. New precinct boundaries were approved 3/9/22 and can be viewed at [Single District Maps \(maricopa.gov\)](http://Single District Maps (maricopa.gov))

PC Elections (Ordowski): Nancy discussed HB2839 which eliminated PC Elections. Bills are moving through the House and Senate which eliminates Section 4 and return PC elections. It may be an uphill battle due to a 2/3 vote requirement of each body to pass. For now, all current PC Petitions are to be turned in to MCRC. Drop off locations and dates will be sent by email and can be found on the MCRC website.

#### Candidate Speakers

The following candidates each spoke for 5 minutes about their campaign: **Thayer Verschoor** (Maricopa County Board of Supervisors); **Nancy Barto** (State Senate LD4); **Maria Syms** (State House LD4); Carine Werner (Scottsdale School Board); **Andrea Keck** (Scottsdale School Board); **Todd Howard** (State Senate LD8); **Jake Gartrell** (State House LD4)

The LD23 Executive Committee thanks everyone for their support and participation! Please stay active in your new Legislative Districts!

**Meeting adjourned** without objection at 8:39 pm