

ACRP MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, July 16, 2018 **Place:** Forest Home Township Hall

At 7:44 pm Chairman Randy Bishop opened the meeting with the pledge followed by the invocation given by Jim Gurr. Sherry Comben and Kim McMaster reported issues with the website, inability to get June minutes and delayed meeting notice, which Randy was trying to correct.

Treasurer Report: Gregg Valerio, motion to approve Sherry Comben, 2nd Vickie Bishop, all approved. Secretary Report: Cherie Hogan, correction; Stu Sandler is running James campaign and John Yob is running Pensler's. Motion to approve amended minutes Kim McMaster, 2nd Gregg Valerio, approved.

Chairman Randy Bishop reported on the first ever Antrim County Governor Debate and how successful it was. 132 tickets were sold which exceeded the goal of 100. Final \$ tally will be at the next meeting. So far the debate has over 2454 views on Facebook Live and Jason Gillman's Youtube video has 1679 views. Over 14,000 people on Facebook saw the ads for the debate and money was spent in the shoppers and the Antrim Review which yielded some results. Randy designed the brochure and Jack from Creative Characters printed both it and the nameplates for the debate. Randy explained how the debate format took place and pointed out that Pat Colbeck has had 19 debates so far and Brian Calley 17. The Elk Rapids TARS group consisting of 7 high school juniors and two of the parents were guests of the ACRP. The Elk Rapids Tars group is only the second of it's kind in Michigan. Cheboygan is the other TARS group. Last count is 17 members for Elk Rapids TARS in liberal Elk Rapids and Jim Gurr commended these young people for standing up for what they believe. Cherie commented on the success of the event and thanked those who bought tickets in support of the event but didn't or couldn't attend. Cherie feels that it was in the top five events she's ever attended. Thank you Randy!!

Jim Gurr asked that the agenda be amended and seconded by Kim that we discuss recent events in the U.P. which has resulted in Randy Bishop being censured by the 1st District Executive Board and because the ACRP has not taken action they are moving to revoke our credentials at the State Convention. After much discussion, the ACRP members approved language put forth by Greg McMaster for a motion made by Kim McMaster, seconded by Jim Gurr, approved 10-3 with Vickie Bishop, Gregg Valerio, and Cherie Hogan voting 'no' on the following: 'Randy Bishop inadvertently included his position as chairman of the ACRP when he discussed his support, as an individual, for a candidate in another district which does not reflect the position of the ACRP as a whole.' Kim will submit this statement to the 1st District. Kim wants unity in the District. Jim feels this has been a distraction. Vickie states this is a personal vendetta by Jesse Osmer. Kim texted Osmer who texted her that any sanctions against the ACRP wouldn't take effect until winter and did not answer Kim's text about accepting ACRP's dues for 2018.

Maryanne Jorgensen asked if there was going to be a float in the Alden Days parade on Saturday, July 28th. Jim is working on this.

Motion by Rob Bargy, 2nd by Vickie to adjourn at 9:40pm. Next meeting, Monday August 20.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherie Hogan, secretary