

CEC MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2025

The meeting of the County Executive Committee (CEC) was officially convened at 6:09 PM by Chairman Aboud. The initial formalities, including the invocation and pledges, were respectfully led by various CEC members. A super quorum was confirmed with 38 out of 59 members present, representing the listed precincts: 5, 6, 11, 12, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 31, 53, 55, 60, 63, 91, 98, 102, 105, 122, 136, 147, 149, 166, 177, 183, 193, 199, 224, 225.

The minutes from the October 18, 2025, meeting were presented for review. Hans Sassenfeld (Precinct 122) moved for their approval, seconded by Megan Harris (Precinct 102).

Rhonda Davidson (Precinct 20) introduced the following “problems” with the minutes.

1. Requested to strike from the minutes the reference for Connie Roberts being the MC.
2. Announced that the Precinct Chairs approved by the CEC at the last meeting were approved illegally because, allegedly, none had voted in the 2024 Primaries as stated in the Bylaws and TEC 171.002. Discussion followed in which a solution was found in the TEC rules. This rule was applied to said Precinct Chairs by signing the Oath of Allegiance settling the matter.
3. Brought procedural accusations against the Assistant Secretary and questioned the role that she plays in the party. Discussion followed which showed no basis of truth as to any of her allegations against the Assistant Secretary. Chairman Aboud further explained that he has the authority to appoint whomever he wants to perform such tasks.

Kristan Peterson (Precinct 11) asked if the spelling of her name could be corrected. Following these discussions, the minutes were approved with corrections.

Secretary's Report by Nancy Ezquivel

The Secretary presented Rick Gomez from Precinct 119 who was eager to join the party as a precinct chair. He has already been volunteering in the Communications Committee. It was announced that he had not voted in the last primary election. The Texas Election Code states that those not voting in the last primary can sign an Oath of Allegiance to the Republican Party. Mr. Gomez was willing to do that.

Al Lujan (Precinct 60) moved to accept Rick Gomez to serve as PC 119, seconded by Greg Ozimeck (Precinct 166). The Chair called for the vote and Mr. Gomez was unanimously approved. A few minutes were allowed for approved PCs from last month to sign the Oath of Allegiance and be sworn in.

Chairman Aboud introduced Judge Ben Ivey to swear in those precinct chairs from this month, last month and any others who had not been sworn in by a judge and wanted to be. Congratulations Rick!!!

Chairman's Report by Mike Aboud

The Chairman repeated the call for all PCs to make sure their information was correct on the sign in sheets.

Important dates for the election were given by the Chair.

*December 8, 2025, by 6:00 PM for all those filing to run for office.

*March 3, 2026, Primary Election Day.

Elections Committee Report by Grant Klokeid

*All 17 proposed amendments passed statewide.

*Registered Voters = 518,387; Ballots Cast = 55,407; Voter Turnout 10.69%

*Election Results for Socorro, Clint, Vinton.

*All vote centers open for Early Voting will be open on Election Day.

*Office workers -3-4 positions, \$15/hr. 30hr/wk. 12/25-3/26

Grant Klokeid reported on the different levels of cost for the WIX website program.

Fundraising Committee Report by Greg Ozimeck, Chair

Reagan Dinner by Megan Harris VC Event Coordination

The event was a huge success

Not all income has been tabulated

Finance Report will reflect preliminary income. To date: \$19,000 and climbing.

Fundraising Chair Ozimeck recommended that the sign out front be changed to a digital sign.

Reminder: there will be a Lincoln Day Dinner early to mid-2026.

Naturalization Report by Leslie LeFebvre

A Christmas potluck and barbecue for newly naturalized citizens will be on Saturday, December 6, 2025, at 2 PM at the GOP office.

Discussion followed about a Pearl Harbor program and what food to bring.

Chairman Aboud announced the Tom Homan event at UTEP.

Finance Report by Tom Reynolds

*Possible Income for various Dinners events was presented. It is not complete. Some of the income has not been calculated.

*Slides with the proposed budget were also presented to the CEC. The Chair announced that there has not been a budget since 2019, including the current operating time frame.

Old Business:

Precinct Conventions will go back to Election Night when polls close due to election committee not being able to gather all the location approvals needed to complete the process. (Note: Which was brought about by the Texas state House redistricting.)

Robyn Cooper (Precinct 24) moved to move Precinct Conventions back to Election night since we are unable to proceed with the Saturday after regional plan. The motion was seconded by David Thackston (Precinct 55). Motion passed unanimously.

Logo: The final logo was presented to the CEC. No permission needed from the state party. Discussion followed. Al Lujan (Precinct 60) moved to accept the logo with agreed modifications. Rhonda Davidson (Precinct 20) seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Robyn Cooper (Precinct 24) provided the following modification: outline the right side of the elephant. Motion passed with 2 dissenting votes.

New Business:

The following question was posed: Do We Want to Do a Podcast: by Mary Yoli Moore and then have the Party to continue this action?

Treasurer's Report None

Andie Wolf is sick. All months that are missing will be addressed at the next CEC meeting.

SREC Report by Adolpho Telles

SREC man and woman from District 29 represent 8 counties: El Paso, Hudspeth, Culbertson, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Presidio, Webster, part of Brewster.

Mr. Telles also suggested the CEC approve a stipend to help Grant Klokeid (Precinct 181 in honor of being Volunteer of the Year. Al Lujan (Precinct 60) moved to approve such a stipend for \$500 be given to Grant to offset his travel expenses. The motion was seconded by Shannon Parr (Precinct 5) Motion passed unanimously.

Rhonda Davidson (Precinct 20) brought up the fact that she believes it is disrespectful to take the flag down every night. The Chairman told her he is honored to raise the flag every morning and bring it down every night. He further said he will continue to do so until he is no longer Chair and that it was not a matter to be voted on by the CEC.

Adjournment

Hans Sassenfeld (Precinct 122) moved to adjourn. Margie Benton (Precinct 53) seconded the motion. Mike took a vote on whether to have a meeting in December. It was unanimous **NOT to meet in December**. Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Sincerely submitted,

Margie Benton, Assistant Secretary