

Business Meeting

September 13, 2009

- Called to order 6:13 PM
- Monique, from Grainger Terry
 - Leadership/campaign training September 26 and 27
- Omar and Larry on the PAC
 - Event yesterday went well re how to run a campaign
 - Next PAC mtg will be 9/20 at Charlie's Ale House in LP
 - Mtg location may change after the next mtg
- Corrie with Communications
 - We sent a press advisory after the Obama speech
 - We've been established as the go-to organization for a Conservative opinion
- Jacque with events
 - Our next happy hour is 9/16 at the Park Grill
 - We will be doing a food drive during the event
- Teresa O'Leary is the new Multimedia chair
 - She put the Membership Drive video up
- Fundraising
 - We have a lot of fundraising events coming up
 - RNC is looking to help us out
- Technology update
 - We are getting more and more bloggers but we need more
 - Marylynn is organizing the schedules for who and how often the new bloggers will write new posts
 - We are getting lots of web traffic
- Sports team
 - Brock is going back to the drawing bd re softball league b/c fees were higher than anticipated
 - Looking into a flag football team
- Exec bd announcements
 - Angel Garcia is the new PAC chair
 - We have added a new chair position under the PAC with Omar Lores will head
 - New philanthropic chair
 - New business affairs position headed by Jake Peterson
 - We are essentially planning to make our own chamber of commerce
 - Events
 - Cook County Convention
 - Stevens Convention Center on 9/25-26
 - We will be handing out after-party credentials
 - There will be a lot of training opportunities during the convention
 - Expecting about 1,000 people
 - Halloween Party
 - Locked in and booked at The Stretch
 - Event will be \$30-35 for 3 hours

- Costume contest
 - Halsted Halloween Parade 10/30
 - It's actually a costume parade
 - Theme: Dogs and people will be "dead voters"
 - Partnering up with the Log Cabin Republicans
 - State YR Convention 11/07
 - Christmas Party 12/11
 - We've talked to Cubby Bear
 - If we start later we can do a fancy event
 - If we start earlier it will be a business-casual event
 - English was suggested as a possible venue
 - The Gage was another suggestion
 - Working on a policy event
 - November 12
 - A Thursday after-work event
 - Partnering up w/ the McCormick Foundation
 - October 22 Michelle Milkin w/ the United Republican Fund
 - Normal ticket price is \$350 but for CYRs it's \$125
 - Schock Event at with the Cubs
 - We have 40 tickets reserved for the game
 - Schock will provide t-shirts
 - Discussion: How much should the fundraising event ticket cost?
 - Post-game venues:
 - Cubby Bear
 - About \$32/person of pure cost with food, \$18 w/ no food or \$21 w/ food so charge maybe \$50 to get some profit for 2 hrs domestics, import beers and wine
 - The batting cages in the CB was a suggestion
 - Jake Peterson's home (the CLP)
 - His place would be more profitable
 - Aaron Schock doesn't care the location
 - Vote: the CLP is out due to liability issues
 - Jacques will check with Red Ivy, Rockwood, Barleycorn, Bar Celona and Stretch to get the price differences
- By-law revamp
- Business Affairs
 - 60/40 split
- Philanthropic
 - Event with the USO
 - About \$600 do a no-dough dinner with the Soldiers
 - Can only send 8 people
 - We can set a jar out to fundraise for it at the event

- Lakeview Rehab Center
- Chicago Cares