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1701 Houston Club Bldg.

H. J. Porter
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Albert B. Fay
Thad Hutcheson
Mrs. Robert W. Kurtz
Mrs. Rolland Gray
S. I. Morris

May 22, 1963

Dear Jack,

At our next Executive Committee Meeting Thad Grundy is going to present some factual information regarding the pledged or unpledged delegation to the National Convention.

I do not want this to become a debate as to what we should do in 1964 but rather it should be a presentation by Grundy with questions from the floor. We will limit the time of this discussion.

Inasmuch as you were a delegate last time I thought you would like to attend this session of the Executive Committee Meeting. It will be held at 7:30 on Tuesday, May 28th in the Jury Assembly Room on the Second Floor of the Civil Courts Building.

Best regards,

George H. W. Bush

Mr. H. J. Porter
Gulf Building
Houston 2, Texas

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DATE: APRIL 15, 1963
TO: ALL PRECINCT CHAIRMEN, AREA #25
FROM: RALPH A. WILKENS
SUBJECT: AREA FINANCE CHAIRMAN

I have been successful in securing Russell Pryor (MO 4-9328) to serve as our Area #25 Finance Chairman for the current fund drive. He is very capable and I am sure will do an excellent job if we will all co-operate with him.

It is necessary that you advise him immediately the name of your Precinct Finance Chairman if he does not know already. (Please give phone and address)

He will be calling you from time to time regarding the progress of your drive. If you need help please call him.

Best regards,

Ralph

Ralph Wilkens

cc: Russell Pryor
Bob Geyer
Don Hornbeck
George Bush ✓

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REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
3200 Audley, Suite 101
Houston 6, Texas

April 9, 1963

TO: PRECINCT AND AREA CHAIRMEN

FROM: GEORGE H. W. BUSH, COUNTY CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: AREA REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

In line with our program of organization, I have appointed a committee to study the question of redistricting our areas. I personally have no fixed conclusions on this question; however, I am determined to investigate to see that our existing area set-up is the best one possible in order to assure streamlined organization and effective work in all precincts. We have many new Republicans in the Party, some of them from precincts that are yet unorganized. Part of the job of the new committee will be to make recommendations as to area organization which will make active as many new precincts as possible.

The work of the committee will be undertaken without regard to personalities and without regard to past prejudices. It is simply an honest effort to take a new look at our entire set-up with an eye toward efficiency and progress. Let me urge you to fill out the attached questionnaire and send it in to Headquarters. The questionnaires will be presented to the committee. They will then schedule hearings to hear all points of view from all across the County.

The members of the committee -- picked from across the county, are listed below. Please feel free to contact all or any of them with your views on this important matter.

AREA REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

Roy Goodearle, Chairman
Tony Farris
C. A. Davis
Barbara Barrett
Pat Holland
Neal Banning
Roland Sledge
Duane Olney
E. E. Dunsworth

Questionnaire
AREA RE-DISTRICTING
(Please return to County Headquarters)

PRECINCT _____

AREA _____

Signed _____

☐ I believe our Area as now constructed is the most satisfactory for an efficient job of electing Republicans.

☐ I believe the following changes could effect a more efficient effort for the Republican Party. (Please explain)

☐ I would like to appear before the Area Redistricting Committee to present my views.

yes
REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
3200 Audley, Suite 101
Houston 6, Texas

April 9, 1963

TO: PRECINCT AND AREA CHAIRMEN

FROM: GEORGE H. W. BUSH, COUNTY CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

In an effort to avoid washing the Party's dirty linen in public, we have set up a Grievance Committee. It is my sincere hope that any committeeman, area chairman or other Republican who has a grievance to express will bring this grievance before the Grievance Committee. I have appointed the following people to the Committee:

Froggy Williams, Chairman	
Bob Overstreet	Doug Tromblee
Wm. C. Spence	Sidney Buchanan

The proper procedure to be followed when you have a grievance which should be presented to the Committee is to contact the chairman, or in his absence any member of the Committee, with a request that within seven days the Committee be convened to discuss the complaint.

The establishment of the Grievance Committee is not intended to remove from any committeeman the right to take up any matter of his choosing on the floor of the Executive Committee. I am extremely hopeful, however, that through this committee we can iron out many of our problems of this nature without having to take up the Executive Committee's time and without having to expose to the press any inter-Party bickering.

Geo

April 9, 1963

TO: PRECINCT AND AREA CHAIRMEN

FROM: EDITORIAL BOARD

SUBJECT: COUNTY NEWSPAPER

In order to facilitate our operation, we are asking that:

1. Each precinct chairman appoint a precinct reporter.
2. Each area chairman appoint a reporter.

These people will be responsible for furnishing the newspaper with reports of news events in their specific areas. Each precinct reporter will be responsible for collecting and writing precinct news. The area reporter should collect copy from precinct reporters, and should also be responsible for covering area activities. The area reporter should deliver all area and precinct copy to County Headquarters.

Deadline for getting area copy to headquarters will be the third Monday of each month.

We would also like to have the names of any people in your precincts who are interested in:

- Writing book reviews
- Drawing cartoons
- Serving as reporters for county wide news events
- Selling advertising

Please give us the name and telephone number of your reporters, listing their specific training, interest, and experience.

The Banner is your newspaper. Ideas for improvement, news items, and feature stories on matters of interest to Republicans will be welcome. All will be considered and we will publish as many as space and timeliness permit.

George

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
3200 Audley, Suite 101
Houston 6, Texas

March 5, 1963

TO: COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: GEORGE H. W. BUSH, COUNTY CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a regular meeting of the Executive Committee on Wednesday, March 13, at 7:30 P.M., in the 2nd floor Jury Assembly Room of the Civil Courts Building (old Court House).

Enclosed are copies of the minutes of the February 6 and February 20 meetings.

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
3200 Audley, Suite 101
Houston 6, Texas

March 5, 1963

TO: ALL PRECINCT CHAIRMEN

Attached is notice of the next meeting of the Executive Committee scheduled for March 13. I do hope that all of you will make an effort to be at the meeting or will have a representative there.

There are two main purposes of the meeting. One is to receive a report from the Rules Committee regarding the unfinished business of whether area chairmen should be appointed or elected. As I write this letter, the Rules Committee has not met; therefore, I cannot give you any indication at this time as to what their recommendation will be. We do plan to have a meeting of the area chairmen prior to the Executive Committee meeting. This meeting will be held on Monday, March 11, and by then the Rules Committee should have met. Please contact your area chairman after Monday should this question be of interest to you.

The other thing which I hope to accomplish is to give you a detailed report regarding plans for the organization. This report will include certain appointments by the County Chairman which will be of interest to you but which will not need ratification by you and other appointments to standing committees which will need to be ratified.

We will also receive a report from the Finance Chairman about the forthcoming finance drive. There will be routine committee reports and an opportunity to bring up any new business.

Please call the Headquarters if you have any questions about the meeting, but, once again, let me urge you all to attend.

I would like to take this opportunity to announce one most important appointment. Mr. William R. Simmons will be the new Executive Director of the Harris County Republican Party. Bill Simmons was well known to all of you as a candidate when he ran for the State Legislature last year. His legal training and his keen interest in politics, in my opinion, qualify him for this important job. He will start to work immediately, and I urge you to give him your cooperation and to call upon him at any time for his assistance. I have asked Bill to be present at the next Executive Committee meeting at which time he will give his first Executive Director's report.

Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday, the 13th,

Yours very truly,

George Bush
George Bush, County Chairman

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
3200 Audley, Suite 101
Houston 6, Texas
Jackson 9-6194

mail
Harold Lanier
2307 Saxon Dr
Houston 18

July 5, 1962

TO: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: JAMES A. BERTRON, COUNTY CHAIRMAN

SUBJECT: MEETING OF COMMITTEE, MONDAY, JULY 16, 1962
7:30 P. M., 2nd floor JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM,
CIVIL COURTS BUILDING (Old Court House)

Attached is a copy of the proposed rules to be submitted to the Committee at its meeting July 16. The Committee has drafted the proposed rules using as a guide the rules adopted by the last Executive Committee to serve. They reflect the unanimous agreement of the members of the committee and also the unanimous agreement of all who were interested and visited the meetings of the committee.

You will note that no attempt has been made to propose any rule which involve other than standing committees or party officials or other committees. It was the unanimous decision of the committee to await the report of the committee on County Organization before making such proposed rules. The Chairman of the committee on County Organization has been advised of this committee's position and subsequent rules or amendments to these proposed rules will be presented at such time as the committee on County Organization has prepared their report.

Adopted 7-16-62

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PROPOSED RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR HARRIS COUNTY

REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

I.

CHAIRMAN SHALL CALL MEETINGS

The Chairman shall be primarily responsible for calling all regular and/or special meetings of the Executive Committee.

II.

WHEN COMMITTEE SHALL MEET

The Executive Committee shall meet at least once each three (3) months during each calendar year.

III.

CALL IN ABSENCE OF CHAIRMAN

In the event of the absence, or incapacity of the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, or Secretary may call a meeting of the Executive Committee.

their appointment or election.

IV.

CALL BY PETITION

The members of the Executive Committee may call a meeting of said Committee, if a petition signed by twenty-five (25%) of the Committee members currently certified, is presented to the Chairman or in his absence, the next presiding county executive officer. Upon receipt of said petition bearing the names of twenty-five per cent (25%) or more qualified committee members, the Secretary will immediately mail notice to all committee members of the meeting.

They should be Exec. Committeeman

V.

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

In the event a meeting is called, and the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and the Secretary fail to attend, the members present shall elect a temporary chairman to preside at that particular meeting, and the temporary chairman shall have the same authority as presiding officer, as the regular chairman has at any similar meeting.

VI.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice for all regular and/or special meetings shall be mailed to all members of the Executive Committee at least seven (7) days prior to the date set for said meeting except in cases of emergency in which cases two (2) days notice shall be given.

VII.

NOTICE SHALL SPECIFY BUSINESS

The notice specified in Rule VI shall state the business to be considered at the meeting called by that notice.

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VIII. SEATING

At each meeting of the Executive Committee, seating shall be reserved for the exclusive use of the members, in which place visitors shall not sit.

IX. VOTING

A. All members of the Executive Committee shall be entitled to vote at each meeting, by personal attendance, or by written proxy properly dated and limited to that particular meeting.

B. Proxies shall be counted in determining whether a quorum is present at any particular meeting. All proxies shall be presented to the Secretary before the meeting is called to order. In the event a person carrying a proxy arrives late, he shall immediately present the proxy to the Secretary.

C. No person shall be authorized to hold a proxy to any Executive Committee meeting unless the person holding such proxy is a qualified (poll tax) voter in the precinct represented by such proxy.

X. QUORUM

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of thirty-three and one-third ($33 \frac{1}{3}$) % of the certified members of the Committee, and no official business shall be conducted by the Committee in the absence of a quorum.

XI. AGENDA

The agenda for all meetings of the Executive Committee shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Certificate of a quorum by Secretary
3. Reading of minutes of last meeting
4. Announcements
5. Committee reports
6. Unfinished business
7. New business
8. Adjournment

XII. DEBATE

At all regular and special meetings of the Committee, all certified members of the Committee may speak and vote, and all visitors, or other persons desiring to speak, must receive permission of the Chairman before addressing the Committee.

In matters of debate, each member of the Committee may speak not more than twice on the same motion, resolution, or other item of business and not longer than three (3) minutes each time.

XIII. MINUTES

- A. The Secretary shall make an accurate copy of the minutes of each meeting, and shall have a copy of these minutes typed and published on the bulletin board at County Headquarters within one (1) calendar week after each meeting.
- B. The minutes shall remain on the bulletin board until the next meeting.
- C. The Secretary shall keep a permanent copy of each set of minutes, which shall be certified as the true and official copy of the minutes of that particular meeting. The minutes shall bear the signature of the presiding officer and the Secretary, and be kept in a permanent binder or book.
- D. The minute book shall be kept at the County Headquarters and shall be available to any committee member to inspect during regular work hours when the Secretary or other County official is present.
- E. The minute book shall not be removed from the Headquarters office except when in the possession of the Secretary at a regular or special meeting.
- F. The minutes of each meeting shall include:
1. A record of the number of members present
 2. True copy of all resolutions and motions passed by the Committee
 3. True copy of all motions or resolutions proposed, and shall include the name of the member making the motion
 4. A record of all proxies presented to said meeting
 5. True record of all business conducted at said meeting
- G. A copy of the minutes of the preceding meeting shall be furnished to each member of the Executive Committee with the next notice of meeting.

XIV. APPOINTED PRECINCT CHAIRMEN

All appointed precinct chairmen shall be presented to the Executive Committee for ratification at the next meeting of the Executive Committee following the County Chairman's appointment of that temporary precinct chairman.

XV. STANDING COMMITTEES

The entire Committee shall vote to ratify or reject any standing Committee chairmen appointed by the County Chairman. A simple majority shall be necessary to confirm said appointment.

XVI. COUNTY TREASURER

The County Treasurer shall be responsible for all funds of the Harris County Republican Party. Whenever the funds exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), the County Treasurer shall be bonded for his personal protection, at the expense of the Harris County Republican Party. - Limit Expenditures, - Require Exec. Com.

OK, above certain amount, or specify in budget.

XVII. SUCCESSION

The order of succession in the event of absence, illness, incapacity, or resignation, shall be as follows:

1. Chairman
2. Vice-Chairman
3. Secretary

XVIII. METHOD OF NAMING SUCCESSOR TO CHAIRMAN

Should the County Chairman resign or die the Executive Committee shall meet, and elect a chairman to serve the remainder of the unexpired term of the County Chairman within thirty (30) days of the date of resignation or death.

XIX. SUSPENSION OF REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

The regular order of business of the Executive Committee may be suspended, when a simple majority of the members present vote to suspend the regular order of business.

XX. RULES OF PROCEDURE

A. The Secretary shall keep a permanent record of all Rules of Procedure which are adopted by the Committee and are binding thereon, and shall enter these in the regular minutes, as well as making a separate copy for the permanent record. New Rules of Procedure so adopted shall be dated, and a notation made that it was presented and passed at the Executive Committee meeting on that date. Each of these Rules shall be kept in the date sequence in which they were passed.

B. A copy of the current and up-to-date committee Rules of Procedure shall be maintained at County Headquarters at all times and shall be available to any committee member during regular office hours.

C. These rules shall be kept in a separate bound book and shall be brought to each Executive Committee meeting by the Secretary, in order to have immediate reference available in the event of questions concerning committee actions.

Unless amended, waived, repealed, or set aside by a vote of two thirds (2/3) of the committee members present at any regular meeting, these procedural rules shall be binding on all committee action.

D. After the adoption of the Committee's operating rules, the Chairman will have copies printed and available to Committee members who might desire copies thereof.

XXI.

All Rules of Procedure not specifically covered by these Committee Rules, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY
Executive Committee Meeting
March 13, 1963

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - 1. Invocation - W.C. Spence (Pct. 272)
 - 2. Pledge of Allegiance - Bob Wells (Area 3)
 - 3. Parliamentarian - Mrs. J.R. Mooney
 - 4. Sargeants-at-Arms - C.W. Gill (Pct 221), Pat Holland (239), Ide Turner (194)
- II. CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM
- III. READING OF MINUTES
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS *Betty Mooney's
Gwater Dinner -*
- V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Appointments to be ratified by Executive Committee

- a. Chairman of Rules Committee: Leon Manry, Jr. - Chairman Pct. #178
- b. Precinct Campaign Committee: Russ Roach - Chairman Pct. 56

2. Appointments not requiring ratification

- a. Executive Director: Wm. R. Simmons
- b. Rules Committee members: (County Organization)
 - Harold Conlee
 - Cecil Rives
 - Jack Boggs
 - Hart Mankin
 - John Craig
 - A. D. Gill
 - Wm. B. Cassin
 - Thad Grundy
- c. Party Legal Counsel: Wm. B. Cassin
- d. Executive Committee Secretary: Mrs. Jan Schroeder
- e. Assistant Chairmen:
 - Roy Goodearle
 - Gene Crossman
 - Tony Farris

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- f. Systems Committee Chairman: Walter Zimmerman
- g. Chairman, Neighbor-to-Neighbor Finance Drive
 - Berry Norris - Co-chairman
 - Don Hornbeck - Co-chairman
- h. Volunteers Chairman: Mrs. Bonnie Hazelrigg
- i. Editorial Board, Party Newspaper:
 - Mrs. Helen Cardiff - Editor-in-chief
 - Mrs. Randy Brown - Editor
 - Bob Overstreet
 - Mrs. Ruth Mankin
 - Richard Luton
 - Ray Cooley
- j. Election Reform Committee Chairman: Walter Mengden, Jr.
- k. Reappointments:
 - Nancy Thawley - Vice Chairman
 - Betty Moony - Parliamentarian
 - Martha Price - Telephone Committee
 - John Cater - Treasurer
 - Craig Peper - Finance Chairman
 - Vacancy

Rita Luton - Howdy Neighbor com
Martha Price - Telephone

3. Other Matters

- a. Headquarters - welcome, use it.
- b. Legislative Committee
- c. Public Relations
 - 1. newspaper contacts
 - 2. speech - AFC-GTO -
5 clubs -

VI. VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

VII. STATE COMMITTEE MEMBER'S REPORT *Thad.*

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Minority Vote (?) (?)
COPE - Mrs. Asht, Johnston

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Vacancy - Gerry Doner
Vote
- 2. Finance - Craig Peper

get new committee to stand.
is have a motion to ratify

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3. Treasurer - John Cater

4. Rules - ~~Leon Manry~~ (C.R. man)

5. ~~Ladies Organization~~ - Thawley or Hardway

6. Newspaper

more adoption of the rule
second
are are you ready for
15 then any discussion

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REAPPOINT Area Chairman

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Conservative Democrats - Bill Elliot

Buy Norms

XII. ADJOURNMENT

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HARRIS COUNTY

Minutes of the Meeting of the
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

7:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1963

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by James A. Bertron, County Chairman. Invocation was given by Jack Brown; pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Helen Cardiff; Mrs. W. R. Mize was appointed parliamentarian; and Harry Ricker and Tony Farris, sergeants-at arms.
- II. ROLL CALL: In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Bernice Rice, the roll was called by Mrs. Hargrove Smith, Executive Secretary. Eighty-five of the 176 precinct chairmen were present in person or by proxy, being a quorum.
- III. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: On motion made and duly seconded, minutes were approved as published and circulated to members of the Committee.

Vale Ackerman, State Committeewoman, was recognized by the Chair and gave a brief report on the last State Executive Committee meeting and mentioned that at the February 9th meeting, the proposed budget and district quotas for 1963 would be presented.

Hart Mankin, legal counsel, gave a special report on the status of appointment of election judges, stating that all four County Commissioners had recommended to Democrat precinct chairmen that they secure the help of Republican election officials in 1963.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Treasurer. A copy of the report made by John T. Cater, Treasurer, is attached.
2. Finance. Craig Peper told the Committee that "Harris County's record in the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Drive had never been equalled by any county or any other two counties in Texas, and that the organization could be very proud of the record it had made in money raised for local and statewide candidates."

He pointed out that on July 1, the Republican Party of Harris County would begin the 1963-1964 fiscal year and plans must be made for that period. Copies of a proposed budget and ways of raising funds were distributed to the Committee and a discussion followed. The Finance Chairman mentioned that date for a possible Neighbor-to-Neighbor Drive would be from April 1 through May 15.

Following discussion, Robert Clarke, Precinct 175, moved that the Executive Committee adopt the Neighbor-to-Neighbor campaign as outlined by the Finance Chairman and that after it has been determined how much money is raised, the Committee would then adopt the budget. The motion was seconded by Roy Goodearle, Precinct 234. Craig Peper asked for an amendment to the motion to include the other methods presented for raising money including Almanac Advertising, National Quota Committee, Key Man Committee, County Newsletter Advertising and Women's Division.

The motion was amended and carried unanimously.

2- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 2-6-63

3. Organization. John Craig reported that the Rules Committee had not reported back to his Committee.
4. Rules: Hart Mankin said his Committee had been given a proposed rule concerning area chairmen; however, he said that the Rules Committee had not finished its work. He stated that his instructions from the Committee were to suggest waiting to present additional rules until a complete report could be made, one that possibly could be re-adopted by succeeding Committees to avoid the necessity of writing new rules each two years.

The Chairman mentioned also that a resolution (copy attached) was presented to the Rules Committee by Doug Tromblee, Precinct 165, recommendation on which was being reserved until their complete report was presented.

Doug Tromblee, Precinct 165, moved that the resolution be taken out of Committee and be voted on by the Executive Committee, seconded by Dr. H. M. Singleton, Precinct 249. Motion failed.

5. Precinct Campaign. Helen Cardiff, Chairman, asked for additional reports on results of the Poll Tax Drive so that her Committee could evaluate the effectiveness of the plan used this year. On the basis of reports received to date, Mrs. Louise Estill of Precinct 60 was top poll-tax seller with a total of 1,166 and among clubs, Precinct 255 Women's Republican Club with 2,078 sold.
6. Vacancy Committee. On motion of Dr. Singleton, Precinct 249, seconded by Al Moehring, Precinct 18, the following appointments of precinct Chairmen were ratified by vote of the Executive Committee: Precinct 10, William Morris; 43, Robert D. Hudson; 62, Mrs. Sue Schade; 74, Vane Howard; 79, Mrs. Marian E. Friesz; 82, Walter Zimmerman; 106, Donald R. Nash; 115, Ronnie C. Browne; 150, Marvin Friesz; 172, Dwight W. King; 173, Mrs. June Smith; 194, Ike Turner; 200, Clifford L. Condit, Jr; 204, Robert W. Bridges; 209, Mrs. Helen Nash; 224, Roy G. Shaw, Jr; 247, Hilroy Wade; 256, Herbert L. Schulz; 262, Thomas W. Rawlings; 263, Ben A. Dalton; 264, James A. Cowan, Jr; 265, Sam W. Grow; 279, C. L. Burnley; 290, George H. Sharp, Jr; and re-appointments necessary due to creation of new precincts: 56, Russ Roach; 83, Mrs. Irene Hooper; and 258, E. E. Price, Jr.
- V. ADJOURNMENT: Following announcements of a Feb. 13 meeting of the 8th Congressional District organization when Des Barry would speak and a meeting of the City Executive Committee immediately following adjournment of the County Executive Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Submitted by _____

Mrs. Hargrove Smith, Acting Sec'y

Approved by _____

James A. Bertron, Chairman

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of January 31, 1963 (the close of the seventh month of our fiscal year) we had cash of \$11,457.47 and accounts receivable comprised of pledges from the Neighbor to-Neighbor Drive of \$13,819.25. Accounts payable of \$6,434.95 were primarily to Rasco Associates for printing and other costs incurred prior to the November election. Because of several questions which have arisen in connection with these billings, they have been considered in controversy and have not been paid. Efforts are being made by the County Chairman to reach a satisfactory settlement.

Our biggest concern at present is with the accounts receivable item of \$13,819.25. During October and November we had about 47% response to the billings on the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Drive pledges. These billings run about \$1,360.00 a month. Since the election, however, the December and January billings have resulted in only 23% of the amount billed being paid. So unless those Republicans who made pledges instead of giving cash make a decided improvement in meeting their obligations, we may have to curtail the activities of the County Organization.

To supplement the report given by your Finance Chairman, Craig Peper, we had a great deal of success in the fund-raising activities of last summer and fall. Money was raised from the following sources:

Commerce and Industry		\$ 4,019.05
Neighbor-to-Neighbor		
Cash	79,639.11	
Pledges	16,339.50	95,978.61
Special Groups		<u>57,846.98</u>
		\$ 157,844.64

We also recieved credit on \$85,672.51 which went direct to State to apply on our quota of \$134,500.00. Incidentally, we exceeded our State quota - we got credit for \$145,454.00 which was paid to State either directly by individuals from Harris County or by the County Organization, plus the support Harris County gave the statewide candidates.

Respectfully submitted

John Cater, Treasurer

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the area chairman have no voice on the executive committee unless a precinct chairman,

Whereas, the precinct chairman and area chairman should have some means of bringing problems before the executive body,

The following resolution is respectfully submitted to the Harris County Executive Committee for consideration:

That the rules include provision for the setting up of a relations committee composed of five executive committeemen; a chairman and one representative from county headquarters.

The duties of this committee to receive, discuss and report to the executive committee body, at regular called meetings, any grievance existing between county, area or precinct levels. This report to include gathered facts of conditions so that the executive body can recommend or endorse the will of the body for action.