



Kansas Republican Assembly

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April 10, 2014

Cathy's Westway Café, at 1215 W Pawnee, Wichita (Social-6:30 pm Meeting-7:00 pm)

MEETING AGENDA

"If we ever forget that we are One Nation under God, then we will be a Nation gone under." Ronald W. Reagan

Sent to: KRA
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Membership Good Until: **2015-Jan**

Mark S. Gietzen – President:

7:00 pm: Call to Order:

- a. Opening Prayer
- b. Flag Salute (*Oldest Veteran present leads the Pledge*)

Debbie Baker – Secretary:

- c. Minutes – (*see reverse side*)

Troy Newman – Treasurer:

- d. Treasurer's Report (*printed on reverse side*)

Mark S. Gietzen

- e. Introduction of **CHRIS BROWN**
DIVORCE CORP presentation
 - Discussion moderated by **CHRIS BROWN**
 - Plans for future showings and future legislative action

Old/New Business – Progress Reports:

- f. Report on HB-2324 Heartbeat Legislation
- g. Report on HB-2372 Fluoride Warning Label
- h. NFRA 2014 Spring Board Meeting will be at The Pyramids, Indianapolis, IN, in conjunction with the National Rifle Association's annual meeting on Saturday, April 26, 2014.
- i. Kansans for Liberty President, **Craig Gabel**: Legislative Round-up.

Announcements:

- j. Announcements from members
- k. ByLaws – changes and status (*to be posted on website after Legislative session ends*).
- l. Dues and donations welcome to help cover costs
- m. Announcement: **Wichita Pachyderm** most every Friday at noon, 9th Floor, of the Bank of America Building, 100 North Broadway
- n. Next **KRA Meeting June 12th**

Adjournment:

KRA Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2014

The two announced 4th District candidates for the Sedgwick County Commission, incumbent **Commissioner Richard Ranzau** and challenger, **Melody McCray-Miller**, spoke at the KRA Candidates' Forum this evening. While still six months ahead of the primary election, this race has generated interest because of the stark differences in both policy and style between the two candidates. These differences were evident, and at times extreme, during tonight's forum.

President **Mark Gietzen** called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. **James Kilpatrick** offered the opening prayer, and after the flag salute, we moved right to last month's minutes. **Chris Brown** made a motion to approve the minutes and **Greg Rose** seconded the motion. **Bill Spaulding** moved to approve the treasurer's report; **James Kilpatrick** seconded. Both motions passed unanimously.

Following a short introduction by Secretary **Debbie Baker**, **Melody McCray-Miller** began her opening remarks noting her background experiences and the reasons she seeks the County Commission seat. Community and safety are her top priorities, and she mentioned several government and community agencies that if called upon, could make communities better. She also mentioned being open-minded, with a desire to listen to the people in order to implement what she called a "common agenda."

Commissioner Richard Ranzau, after a short introduction by Secretary **Debbie Baker**, opened his comments by saying, "We are a Constitutional Republic. The power is in the sovereign individual." He also noted that as citizens, we can and should make our own futures rather than being dependent on the government to sustain us. He also noted that government should be kept in its proper place and be fiscally responsible.

Following the candidates' short introductions, the floor was opened for questions. The members asked tough and pointed questions, which made for a lively discussion. With every answer, the differences between the candidates became progressively clearer.

After the forum, President **Mark Gietzen** moved on to other items on the agenda, one of which was a discussion of the Wichita City Council's proposal to change the name of the Wichita Mid-Continent Airport to "Ike Eisenhower Airport." A vote was taken. Only four people agreed that the name of the airport should change; two of the four wanted a different name entirely. 11 people did not want the airport name to change at all. Others had no opinion one way or the other, but many of the members present were against spending ANY tax dollars for something so trivial, so unpopular and so unnecessary.

After **Craig Gabel** and **Chris Brown** gave a brief legislative update on the bills in Topeka that are being followed by the KRA and K4L, **James Hodges** made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:51 pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT: *(Troy Newman)*

Credits:	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 <i>(Non-Designated KRA Funds)</i>	\$150.52
	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 <i>(Designated for Fluoride-fighting)</i>	\$1,632.14
	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 <i>(Fluoride CHALLENGE Account)</i>	\$550.03
	ENDING OVERALL BALANCE from March 13, 2014 Treasurer's Report.....	\$2,332.69
	Donations and dues <i>(Non-Designated KRA Funds)</i>	\$0.00
	Donations <i>(Designated for Fluoride-fighting ONLY New Account)</i>	\$1,340.05
	Donations <i>(Designated for Fluoride CHALLENGE Account Interest only)</i>	\$0.00
	TOTAL Overall Available Funds this period.....	\$3,672.74
Expenditures:	Non-Fluoride KRA Expenses <i>(Blank Checks)</i>	\$0.00
	Fluoride-fighting Expenses:	
	Witness Travel & Hotel for Fluoride Committee Hearing (Dr. Whyte) 1/2....	\$0.00
	Written Science Report (Declan Waugh, Scientist; Fluoride-cancer link)....	\$0.00
	Printing for Fluoride Bill Promo	\$250.00
	Lobbyist expenses to date <i>(office supplies + hotel + food + gas + tolls.)</i>	\$447.87
	Credit Card Acceptance Discount Fees.....	\$44.77
	Total Fluoride-fighting Expenses	\$742.64
	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 (Non Designated KRA Funds)	\$150.52
	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 (Designated for Fluoride-fighting)	\$2,229.55
	Ending Balance March 13, 2014 (Fluoride CHALLENGE Account)	\$550.03
	ENDING OVERALL BALANCE as of April 10, 2014	\$2,930.10

(We have two bills outstanding, the 2nd half of Dr. Whyte's bill + \$1,400 for Michael Connett's Airline ticket and hotel.