

Executive/Budget Committee Meeting
2007 RNC Summer Meeting
August 2-4, 2007
Marriott Minneapolis City Center, Minneapolis, MN

Chairman Mike Duncan called the Executive/Budget Committee Meeting of the Republican National Committee to order at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2007, at the Marriott Minneapolis City Center, Minneapolis, MN.

The invocation and pledge were delivered prior to Chairman Duncan calling the meeting to order.

Sara Gear Boyd, Secretary of the Republican National Committee and National Committeewoman for Vermont, conducted a silent roll call and informed the Chairman that a quorum was present.

Chairman Duncan moved to approve the minutes of the Executive/Budget Committee Meeting from the 2007 RNC Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C. The motion was seconded, and by voice vote, the motion passed.

Before beginning the Chairman's Report, Chairman Duncan acknowledged the tragic 35W Bridge Collapse in Minneapolis and invited the RNC Members to discuss options for an appropriate response at the conclusion of the Executive/Budget Committee Meeting.

Chairman Duncan began his report by thanking RNC Members for serving on the Executive Committee and discussed the importance of traveling across the country to meet with individuals on the State Party and grassroots level.

Chairman Duncan then continued his report from the standpoint of 6 divisions at the RNC which included: Finance, Communications, eCampaign, Research, Strategy and Political. He began by applauding the Finance team for all their efforts. The RNC outraised the Democrats substantially in fundraising. The Chairman attributed the remarkable fundraising to Finance Director, Gretchen Purser, and her team. Next, Chairman Duncan talked about Communications and provided examples of the ways in which the RNC is communicating the message of the Republican Party across the country. Chairman Duncan then acknowledged eCampaign and shared the excitement of the RNC's new hire, eCampaign Director, Cyrus Krohn. Next, Chairman Duncan described the Research Department as second to none, specifically highlighting the success of the rapid response materials that are released on behalf of the RNC. The Chairman then discussed the new technology that the Strategy division was debuting and applauded the Strategy Department's progress. Chairman Duncan finished with the Political Division. He acknowledged the field staff and the victory meetings that have been held. Specifically, he mentioned the great strides that are being made with the various RNC coalitions and the importance of the Political Education program at the RNC.

The Chairman concluded his report and called on Jo Ann Davidson, RNC Co-Chairman and National Committeewoman for Ohio, to give her report.

Co-Chairman Davidson reported that the Co-Chair's Office had just wrapped up four successful Republican Women's Leadership Conferences in Washington, D.C., Nashville, Dallas and Seattle. She thanked many of the members of the Republican National Committee for helping her in those conferences. She reported that the Co-Chairman's Office continues to build the Women's Coalition. Their goal is to have a comprehensive database of women who are supportive of Republican candidates for the 2008 election.

The Co-Chairman concluded her report by giving an update on the Committee on Arrangements. She noted that a staff office had opened in St. Paul and there are 15 staff members already on the ground working with Maria Cino and Mel Raines. COA has received the \$16.4 million from the Federal Government, which is allocated to both parties for the expenses of running the COA operation. The Host Committee is up and operational. They met their first fundraising goal on July 15th, which was to raise \$3.9 million. COA is in the process of contracting hotels. There will be about 90 hotels used in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Bloomington and several surrounding suburbs. Finally, the Co-Chairman concluded her remarks by assuring the members they will be kept well informed as COA progresses towards the 2008 Convention.

Chairman Duncan thanked Co-Chairman Davidson for a good report and called on Tim Morgan, RNC Treasurer and National Committeeman for California, to give his report.

Mr. Morgan reported that after spending a good deal of time at the RNC headquarters observing day to day activity, he was pleased with the internal controls of the RNC. Mr. Morgan continued by thanking the finance team for the remarkable job they did of raising about \$45 million in the first 6 months of this year in a challenging political environment.

Mr. Morgan concluded his report with a motion to approve several contracts that will extend beyond the term of the current Chairman and therefore need to be approved by the Executive Committee. The contracts were voted on and unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Chairman Duncan called on Blake Hall, RNC General Counsel and National Committeeman for Idaho, for his report.

Mr. Hall began his report by making a motion. Mr. Hall reported that the RNC is currently involved in five lawsuits in four States. These litigations commenced prior to the current Chairman's tenure and the Counsel's Office continues to work on those lawsuits to protect the committee's interests.

Mr. Hall moved for an adoption of a new resolution. He proposed that the Republican National Committee will indemnify its officers, members and employees acting within

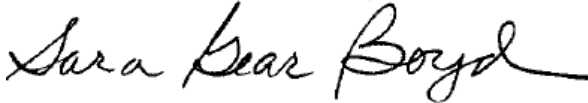
their proper scope of authority for their legal costs related to any litigation, investigation, or other legal proceeding that develops in relation to, but limited to, the individual's time of service with the RNC; and therefore, be it further resolved that such indemnification shall continue beyond the current term of the current Republican National Committee Chairman. The motion was seconded, and by voice vote, the motion passed.

Chairman Duncan called on Mr. Ron Kaufman, Budget Committee Chairman and National Committeeman for Massachusetts, to give his report. Mr. Kaufman reported the Budget Committee met earlier that day. He continued to say the RNC has \$16 million in the bank, versus the Democrats who have \$2 million in the bank. Mr. Kaufman reported that the RNC is in tremendous fiscal health and concluded by making a motion to approve the budget as amended. The proposed amended budget was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Chairman Duncan concluded his remarks by introducing Cyrus Krohn, the new Director of eCampaign and announced that the committee would have a short discussion regarding the RNC's reaction to the tragic 35W Bridge Collapse following the adjournment of the meeting.

The Executive/Budget Committee meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sara Gear Boyd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sara Gear Boyd
Republican National Committee Secretary