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The September 16, 2025 ICRCC meeting was opened by Chair Vince R. At a 6:01pm.

Mary M filled in to take minutes in Susie H. absence and roll call was completed. 17 present, we had a quorum.

Prayer - Roy F. and special mention of Charlie Kirk. Vince also asked for prayer for Ken Frei

August meeting minutes were approved.

One requested change to the agenda by Roy F regarding the new garbage policy.

Treasurers Report: Checking account \$22, 536.16 open balance, four expenses in amount related to laptop purchase (for zoom) and travel and legal expenses, Ending balance \$21424.41.

Money Market account: open balance of 30,194.97 plus interest gave us an ending balance of \$30,264.72. Grand total balance is: \$51,707.66.

Standing Committees:

<u>Event Planning</u>: February 7th is available at the Grangeville Elks for Lincoln Day Dinner as reported by Patricia Menough. Motion approved to reserve Feb 7 at the Elks Club. Jason Hollibaugh lined up the Lincoln Day Speaker in GOP Speaker of the House Mike Moyle who is good with February 7th and has committed.

Chair Vince R. reported that no one stepped forward to accept the Lincoln Day Chair position. Vince said we can call on outside people to Chair the event. Does not have to be a PC. Roy Farmer stated that he would fill the Lincoln Day Chair position with the contingency that there is a Vice Chair. Discussion of how to find a Vice Chair. Megan T suggested a list of tasks could be created that are necessary for the Lincoln Day Dinner so that people know what tasks are needed. Roy F will create a list of tasks.

Campaigns/Elections - JC Passmore provided an overview of the ICRCC Election Candidates Questions for the vetting process. September 19 is the deadline for objections to a particular candidate at the County level. Mr Passmore stopped at the County Clerks office and a gal worked to create a more detailed format of candidates with colors indicating challenged candidate elections and those who are incumbents. Roy F suggested an additional question to be included as to why the candidate feels they are qualified for the position. Vince mentioned that ICRCC should focus on only candidates being challenged. Those who are on the ballot without any others challenging the position would not be screened. Mary M stated screening needs to be done for the October meeting since the election falls before the November meeting.

<u>Vetting Committee</u> was not formed as no one stepped up - Jim Passmore made a motion that each Precinct Committee person(s) in the precinct where the candidates reside, to

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make the initial screening call to candidates to ask the questions Jim P outlined on his ICRCC Election Candidates Screening And Endorsement - "Operational Guidelines" document. There are only 5 challenged elections and those qualified candidates after initial contact by the PC who reflect the Republican Party values are invited to our October 21st ICRCC Meeting for a chance to be further vetted and possibly endorsed by ICRCC. Patricia seconded and motion passed in lieu of no vetting committee.

Publicity will be handled for any candidates subsequently endorsed by ICRCC using all media outlets available, by the ICRCC Publicity chair, Mary M.

Publicity / Communications: Mary M suggested the ICRCC have discussions as to whether theywant a website and is not clear if the PCs even mention it to their constituents for information about the ICRCC. A simplified version to serve needs for Lincoln Day Dinner and the Elections could be converted to a Landing Page not a full website that idaho.idgop.org represents. Mary will bring sample business cards with the web address and identifying info so that the PCs can hand it out to constituents looking for more information to the October meeting and if the ICRCC is favorable, a quantity of 500 or 1000 cards can be ordered so that PCs might hand the cards to constituents in their respective Precincts to expand awareness and ensure constituents can visit the site for event info and minutes as well as the contact info for Precinct Committee people.

Zoom Committee: James Zehner will setup a zoom account for ICRCC and connect on the new laptop and the committee will setup a test run before the October ICRCC meeting to work out any bugs or problems before the meeting.

Local Elected Officials and other reports

<u>Sheriff Doug Ulmer</u>: not present due to retrieving an injured person from a mountainous location.

Idaho County Republican Women's Club: Patricia Menough reported that Kathleen Bowen from Moms for Liberty was a speaker at the September 13th ICRWC meeting. Moms for Liberty advocate for parental rights. While its a nationwide group there is only one chapter in the State of Idaho. October 13th the Pacific Justice Institute will be a guest speaker at the meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Vince reported Vacant Precincts: Greencreek, Glenwood, Joseph Plains, Lowell, Pollack. Also Youth Coordinator position still vacant. Called for candidates to fill those vacant seats.. A reminder that the Youth Chair does attend State GOP meetings and can cast votes on resolutions.

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New Business:

Scott Perrin presented a Resolution proposal to oppose legislation that incurs indebtedness or financial slavery to children. The resolution proposal suggests correcting Senate Bill 1204 passed the bill late in the 2021 session. Darlene S. made a motion and Doug B seconded after some debate to table the resolution until more information is available. Motion passed.

November 4th Elections in Idaho County: Chair Vince R reported there are 3 initiatives being pushed: Reproductive Freedom, Marijuana and the Grocery Tax. (Info is on the Voteldaho website.)

Numinar Training: September 27th from 9-12. Vince called for candidates interested in training for Numinar. Rose P, Cory K and Jim P are names to be submitted for training by Nick Wood.

New Garbage Policy in Idaho County: Roy F reported that Commissioner Skip Brandt has a new policy for garbage. It is apparently already decided according to Megan T who attended the garbage meeting where drive through Transfer Stations will be placed in central locations. One in Cottonwood is already established. In 2026 garbage will no longer be a tax on the County Tax Assessments. Instead, residents will take their garbage to transfer stations, and will pay some amount each time. Transfer stations will allegedly be open 7 days per week during certain hours and ultimately all dumpsters are planned for removal due to severe dumping abuses. Extensive garbage discussion ensued. Already some trash receptacles in BLM and state parks are removed. Concerns surfaced that people will dump garbage anywhere and the commissioners will have a problem on their hands.

January 2026 GOP Winter Meeting: Chair Vince R announced resolutions and rules are due by November 26, 2025

Chair Vince R also mentioned Blue Fox Cinema will showcase the Charlie Kirk memorial and funeral on Sunday September 21st at 10am.

The next meeting of the ICRCC will be on October 21, 2025 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Grangeville Super 8.

Cam L motioned to end the meeting and Roy F seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Mangold