



Greenville County Republican Party

GreenvilleCountyRepublicanParty(GCRP)BusinessMeeting Minutes

Meeting Title: Special Called Meeting for Reading of Censures and Resolutions

Date: October9,2025

Time: 7:03PM

Location: ZoomVirtual Meeting and in-person at HQ 2505 Wade Hampton Blvd, Greenville, SC.

Presiding Officer: Jeff Davis, Greenville County Republican Party

Attendance:Need

Recording Secretary: Scott Geer

Call to Order

- ☐ The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Jeff Davis, GCRP Chairman.
- ☐ Opening prayer was led by Joe McLaughlin, Credentialing Chair
- ☐ The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Terry Wicker, Suber Mill President.
- ☐ The Republican Creed was presented by Adrian Macerola, Suber Mill EC.

Meeting Guidelines

- ☐ Ronald Duffala requested that attendees mute their phones, avoid sidebar conversations, and keep politics out of discussion unless relevant to the agenda.
- ☐ Attendees were instructed to raise hands for questions and hold them until the new business section unless urgent.

Credentialing and Technical Assistance

- ☐ Credentialing was managed by Joe McLaughlin Credentialing Chair and Heather Sheen, Clear Creek EC.
- ☐ Attendees were asked to enter their name and precinct in the Zoom chat for credentialing purposes.
- ☐ Technical assistance was provided by the Greenville County Republican Party representative (Olga Lisinska, Timberlake President) to help attendees, including Bob Bugos, Del Norte EC and Keith Jones, Locust Hill EC, locate and use the Zoom chat feature.



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Announcements

- The meeting was recorded, with AI transcription enabled for accurate minutes.

Main Agenda: Censure Votes and Legislative Resolutions

- Quorum Confirmation: Joe McLaughlin confirmed a quorum was present.
- Voting Process: Jeff Davis announced that voting would occur via email sent from teamgreenvillegop.com. Attendees were instructed to reply to the email with their name, precinct, position, and votes (yes, no, or abstain) for three censures and seven resolutions. Voting was open until 2:00 PM on October 10, 2025.
- Censure Readings (First Reading): Frank Gunther read the following censures:
 1. Censure of Greenville County Council Members (Dan Tripp, Joey Russo, Liz Seaman) for voting to raise property taxes in 2023, violating Republican fiscal principles.
 2. Censure of Lieutenant Governor Pamela Yvette for failing to support the MAGA America First movement and engaging with anti-MAGA efforts.
 3. Censure of Diane Mitchell for her leadership role in the fraudulent 2021 GCRP reorganization process.
- Resolutions: The following legislative resolutions were read:
 1. Legislation requiring closed primaries in South Carolina.
 2. Legislation for real school choice through tax credit scholarships managed by independent nonprofits.
 3. Judicial reform to change the judicial selection process to either public election or gubernatorial appointment.
 4. Enforcement of South Carolina laws protecting the right to life, specifically targeting mail-order abortion pills.
 5. Legislation prohibiting taxpayer-funded lobbyists.
 6. Legislation requiring secure elections with paper ballots, same-day voting, and hand counting.
 7. Legislation for medical informed consent, addressing vaccine liability protections under the PREP Act and NCVIA.
- Discussion and Questions:
 - o Bob Bugos, Del Norte EC, expressed opposition to Diane Mitchell's candidacy due to her role in the 2021 reorg fraud.
 - o Harrison Musselwhite, Simpsonville 06 ED, asked if non-attendees could vote (answered no, as they were not credentialed) and clarified that individual votes for each resolution were preferred but a blanket vote for all seven was acceptable. A correction was proposed for the PREP Act resolution to spell out "Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act" and add details about its impact on vaccine injury recourse.



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- o Attendees were reminded that a second reading and vote for the censures would occur at the in-person meeting on Monday at the library.

Adjournment

- ☐ A motion to recess the meeting until 2:00 PM on October 10, 2025, was made by Diana Weir (Moore Creek) and seconded by Tommy Marraffa, Saluda President.
- ☐ The motion passed unanimously with all in favor.
- ☐ The meeting was recessed at approximately 8:03 PM.

Next Meeting:

- ☐ Date: Monday, October 13, 2025
- ☐ Time: Credentialing at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:00 PM
- ☐ Location: Library at 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC

Minutes Prepared By: Secretary Scott Geer leveraging Spinach AI and Super Grok AI.

Note: These minutes summarize key discussions and actions. If corrections are needed, submit via party channels.



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Legislative Resolutions Censure 2021 3rd VC Censure Lt Gov Pamel Censure GCC Tax Incre



Re-Censure of Greenville County Council Members Who Voted to Raise Taxes in 2023

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (“GCRP”) exists to promote Republican values of limited government, fiscal responsibility, and accountability to the taxpayers of Greenville County; and
WHEREAS, in 2023, six of the ten Republican members of the Greenville County Council — **Dan Tripp, Joey Russo, Liz Seman, Butch Kirven, Mike Barnes, and Chris Harrison** — voted with two the democrats in favor of a property tax increase on Greenville County citizens; and
WHEREAS, this action represented a direct violation of the Republican Party Platform’s commitment to opposing unnecessary tax increases and reducing the size and scope of government; and
WHEREAS, the GCRP, on behalf of its members and the citizens of Greenville County, previously issued a formal censure of these Council members in 2023 to hold them accountable to Republican voters; and
WHEREAS, three of the censured Council members - **Butch Kirven, Mike Barnes, and Chris Harrison** (NOTE: Liz Seman ran unopposed) - were subsequently defeated in the June 2024 Republican Primary, confirming that Republican voters strongly disapproved of their tax-raising actions; and
WHEREAS, the three remaining Council members — **Dan Tripp, Joey Russo, and Liz Seman** — continue to serve in office and have made no public apology or corrective action for their votes to increase taxes on Greenville County residents; and
WHEREAS, the GCRP believes that the public must once again be reminded of the actions taken by **Dan Tripp and Joey Russo** before they stand for re-election in June 2026;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party hereby reaffirms and reissues its CENSURE of **Dan Tripp, Joey Russo, and Liz Seman** for their 2023 votes to raise property taxes, in violation of core Republican fiscal principles; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this censure shall serve as a public notice to all Greenville County voters of these Council members’ record on taxation and fiscal policy, and as encouragement to seek and support candidates who uphold the Republican Party Platform.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

Scott Geer, *GCRP Secretary*



Censure of Lt. Governor Pamela Evette for Failure to Support the MAGA / America First Movement in South Carolina

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (“GCRP”) is the official Republican Party organization for Greenville County, South Carolina, duly elected by the grassroots Republican voters through the Reorganization process of 2021, 2023, and 2025; and

WHEREAS, since 2021, the GCRP has led the state and nation in advancing America First and MAGA values, including earning recognition as a **Top 5 National Trump Force 47 Call Banking Team** during the 2024 presidential campaign; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Governor Pamela Evette, a resident of Greenville County and now a declared candidate for Governor, is campaigning as a “Trump-supporting, MAGA candidate”; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Governor Evette has, over the past four and a half years, repeatedly refused to engage with the Greenville County Republican Party, declining every invitation to attend GCRP Business Meetings, dinners, cookouts, informational events, **TRUMP sign waves**, call banks, or the GCRP “Coffee & Politics” series — despite receiving numerous written invitations; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Governor Evette has publicly participated in numerous business and political events across the state — **including with establishment and anti-MAGA figures** — yet has shown complete disregard for the duly elected leadership and grassroots TRUMP Republicans of Greenville and other counties in SC; and

WHEREAS, in the 2021 SCGOP ReOrg process, credible evidence and documentation indicate that **Lt. Governor Evette and members of her family** were involved as “**harvested ballots**” in fraudulent participation supporting the RINO establishment against legitimate grassroots delegates; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Governor Evette has refused multiple requests from the GCRP Legislative Committee to meet and discuss legislative initiatives, especially “**real school choice**” — a top priority of the GCRP since 2021 — and instead aligned with establishment figures, including **Drew McKissick** and **Chad Connelly**, contributing to South Carolina now having *the worst rated school choice program in the nation*; and



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WHEREAS, Lt. Governor Evette has also been actively involved in supporting anti-MAGA efforts in other counties, including documented participation in the RINO-led removal of the America First leadership of the **Horry County Republican Party**; and

WHEREAS, her consistent pattern of refusal to engage with TRUMP grassroots conservatives, alignment with establishment insiders, and undermining of the MAGA / America First leadership contradicts the principles and values of the Republican Party and the MAGA movement she now claims to represent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party hereby CENSURES Lt. Governor Pamela Evette for her failure to support, engage with, or represent the Republican grassroots of Greenville County and South Carolina; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this censure serves as a formal public notice to Republican voters across South Carolina that Lt. Governor Pamela Evette's record and actions are inconsistent with the principles of the MAGA / America First movement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GCRP shall distribute this resolution publicly and to the South Carolina Republican Party, so voters may be fully informed of Lt. Governor Evette's record prior to the 2026 election cycle.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

Scott Geer, *GCRP Secretary*



Censure of Dianne Mitchell for Her Leadership Role in the 2021 Greenville County Republican Party ReOrg FRAUD

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (“GCRP”) exists to uphold the integrity of the Republican electoral process and to ensure transparency, accountability, and honesty in all Party operations; and

WHEREAS, during the 2021 Greenville County Republican Party Precinct Reorganization (“ReOrg”) process, widespread evidence emerged of **fraudulent activity involving “harvested ballots”**, irregular delegate submissions, and other violations of Republican Party rules and procedures; and

WHEREAS, at the time of these events, **Dianne Mitchell served as the 3rd Vice Chair of the GCRP**, holding a position of trust and responsibility in overseeing the conduct of the ReOrg process; and

WHEREAS, a **Special Committee Report**, commissioned and presented by members of the then GCRP leadership — essentially all of whom opposed the grassroots movement — nonetheless **confirmed substantial irregularities and fraudulent practices** during the 2021 ReOrg; and

WHEREAS, the findings of that Special Committee Report resulted in the **resignations in disgrace of the GCRP Chairman, 1st Vice Chairman, and State Executive Committeeman**, validating the concerns raised by grassroots Republican members; and

WHEREAS, despite these findings, **Dianne Mitchell has never publicly accepted responsibility** for her participation and leadership during the 2021 ReOrg process, nor has she expressed any regret or acknowledgment of the damage caused to the credibility of the GCRP and the Republican grassroots; and

WHEREAS, Dianne Mitchell is now a **declared candidate for the South Carolina House of Representatives, District 21**, seeking to represent the very voters who were disenfranchised and misled by the actions of the 2021 GCRP leadership team of which she was a part; and



Censure of Dianne Mitchell for Her Leadership Role in the 2021 Greenville County Republican Party ReOrg FRAUD

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party believes that **integrity, honesty, and ethical leadership** are essential qualifications for public office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party hereby **CENSURES Dianne Mitchell** for her **active participation and leadership role** in the **fraudulent and unethical 2021 ReOrg process**, which undermined the trust and integrity of the Republican Party in Greenville County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GCRP shall **publicly distribute this resolution** and share it with **Republican voters, local media, and the South Carolina Republican Party**, to ensure that voters in House District 21 are fully informed about **Dianne Mitchell's record of conduct and failure of accountability**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this censure shall stand as a **formal notice** that the GCRP cannot support or endorse any individual who participated in or benefited from the **2021 ReOrg FRAUD**, unless and until full accountability, transparency, and restitution are made to the grassroots Republican members of Greenville County.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

Scott Geer, *GCRP Secretary*



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October 13th 2025 Business Meeting

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Resolution to PASS Legislation Requiring Closed Primaries in SC

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee believes in strengthening the integrity and autonomy of the Political Party System by ensuring that only registered party members in good standing participate in selecting its nominees and resolutions;

WHEREAS, South Carolina's current open primary system allows voters unaffiliated with a specific political party to influence a party's primary elections, thus polluting the party's values and platform;

WHEREAS, a closed primary system will create a stronger connection between a party and its committed members, encouraging greater accountability and alignment with a party's principles;

WHEREAS, the South Carolina General Assembly has the authority to enact legislation, such as H3310, to establish closed primaries and protect the democratic process within political parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls upon the South Carolina General Assembly to pass legislation instituting closed primaries, that requires voters to be registered members in good standing with a political party to participate in its primary elections;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GCRP urges all Republican leaders, elected officials, and Party members to support this legislative effort to safeguard the party's voice and ensure fair representation in the electoral process.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

Scott Geer, *GCRP Secretary*



Resolution to PASS Legislation Requiring “Real” School Choice

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee supports universal school choice for all children, and believes such choice should be administered by the competitive free market—*i.e., independent non-profits*—and not operated by government entities;

WHEREAS, tax credit scholarships administered by the competitive free market (*i.e., independent non-profits*) have served as the cornerstone of school choice in the United States for over 30 years, currently benefiting more than 350,000 students across approximately 30 states;

WHEREAS, this method of school choice—tax credit scholarships managed by *independent non-profits*—was selected by President Donald J. Trump as the model for the federal school choice program established under his "Big Beautiful Bill," signed into law on July 4, 2025;

WHEREAS, South Carolina is currently the only state in the nation with a government-run tax credit scholarship program, known as (not so) Exceptional SC, which since its inception in 2016 has consistently been rated as the worst-managed school choice program in the country;

WHEREAS, the GCRP supports the work of **Jeff Davis** and **Olga Lisinska**, and their organization **Palmetto Kids FIRST**, in advocating for the interests of families and promoting genuine school choice;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls upon the South Carolina General Assembly to enact "Real" School Choice legislation through tax credit scholarships administered by the free market (*i.e., independent non-profits*);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GCRP urges all Republican leaders, elected officials, and Party members to make this legislative effort a priority matter of urgent and active support.

Date Passed: _____

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Resolution to PASS Legislation Requiring Judicial Reform in SC

WHEREAS the Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee believes the integrity of the state's judicial and legal system is best protected by ensuring the separation of the powers of the three branches of government;

WHEREAS South Carolina is one of only two states in the United States of America where the state legislature (*not the Governor or The People*) selects the judges that serve over the courts of law;

WHEREAS the GCRP believes this method of judicial selection gives the legislative branch undue power over the judicial branch;

WHEREAS the GCRP believes that state legislators that are lawyers or members / employees of law firms have conflicts of interest and undue influence over judges they themselves select;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls for the governor and state legislators to move to change the selection process of judicial appointees from legislative approval to either (1) ~~election by the people of South Carolina~~ or (2) ~~appointment by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate~~;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party urges all Republican leaders, elected officials, and Party members to support this legislative effort to safeguard the peoples voice in the selection of our judges who will appropriately interpret statutory and common law, the South Carolina Constitution, as well as the United States Constitution.

Date Passed: _____

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Resolution to ENFORCE Existing SC Laws to Protect the Right to Life (*Stopping the Mail Order Abortion Pill*)

WHEREAS: The Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee supports and defends the right to human life from conception to natural death;

WHEREAS: South Carolina's Code of Laws Section 44-41-80(a) states "Any person, except as permitted by this chapter, who provides, supplies, prescribes or administers any drug, medicine, prescription or substance to any woman who uses or employs any device, instrument or other means upon any woman, with the intent to produce an abortion shall be deemed guilty of a felony...";

WHEREAS: 44-41-10(b) and 44-41-610(10) both define "physician" as a person licensed to practice medicine in the State of South Carolina;

WHEREAS: 44-41-330 (A)(1)(a) states "While physically present in the same room, the woman must be informed by the physician who is to perform the abortion, an allied health professional working in conjunction with the physician, the referring physician of the procedure to be involved...";

WHEREAS: Businesses outside of South Carolina freely engage in providing substance, medicines, and prescriptions that are intended to induce abortions in pregnant women. They participate in this practice specifically to circumvent the sovereign laws of South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls for the governor, attorney general, local solicitors, and law enforcement to enforce the provisions of South Carolina State Code of Laws, Title 44, Chapter 41.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party will only support elected officials, Law Enforcement Officials (Sheriffs / Chief of Police) and candidates for office that will abide by and enforce the South Carolina Code of Laws, Title 44, Chapter 41.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

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Resolution to PASS Legislation Prohibiting Taxpayer Paid Lobbyists

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee believes in transparency, accountability, and integrity at all levels of state and local government;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of elected officials and public administrators to advocate for their budgets and priorities, rather than outsourcing that responsibility to taxpayer-funded lobbyists;

WHEREAS, the use of public funds to hire professional lobbyists—whose primary obligation is to their employer, not the public—creates a conflict of interest and undermines the will of the people;

WHEREAS, in South Carolina, numerous state agencies, counties, municipalities, and public institutions currently employ lobbyists using taxpayer dollars to seek additional government funding or favorable legislation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls upon the Governor and the South Carolina General Assembly to pass legislation prohibiting the use of taxpayer funds to hire or retain lobbyists at the state, county, and local levels of government;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party urges all Republican leaders, elected officials, and Party members to support this legislative effort to ensure that public funds are used for the benefit of citizens—not for self-serving government lobbying.

Date Passed: _____

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Resolution to PASS Legislation Requiring Safe Elections (*Paper Ballots, Same Day Voting, Hand Counting*)

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP) Executive Committee believes in strengthening the integrity of our election process here in South Carolina;

WHEREAS, the GCRP believes **(1) Paper Ballots, (2) Same Day Voting & (3) Hand Counting** is by far the safest and most secure election process - aka the “Gold Standard of Elections”;

WHEREAS, the GCRP believes this safe election process will encourage greater civic engagement and increased voter participation in the election process;

WHEREAS, Article II Section 1 of the South Carolina Constitution states that our votes shall be cast in secret but not counted in secret. Votes counted by electronic tabulators, however, are counted in secret in direct violation of the state constitution;

WHEREAS, the GCRP fully supports the efforts of **Laura Scharr** and her organization **SC Safe Elections** to represent the best interest of The People as it relates to restoring confidence in SC elections, the “Gold Standard of Elections”, and all matters involving the SC State Election Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greenville County Republican Party calls upon the South Carolina General Assembly to pass legislation instituting this “Gold Standard of Elections”, similar to or in fact SC House Bill H4295, and to do so in cooperation with **Laura Scharr** and her organization **SC Safe Elections**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GCRP urges all Republican leaders, elected officials, and Party members to make this legislative effort a priority matter of urgent and active support.

Date Passed: _____

Jeff Davis, *GCRP Chairman*

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