

KFRW Biennial Convention

Business Session



The business session of the convention was called to order by President Pam Roberts at 8:30 a.m. Congressman James Comer led us in the pledge of allegiance which was followed by Karen Campbell, KFRW Chaplain who led us in the prayer and invocation. 1st VP Rosemary Hatcher introduced the past KFRW Presidents in attendance and immediate past KFRW President, Helena Pitcock introduced Congressman James Comer as our Guest Speaker. Congressman Comer gave us some insight on the Biden family and pledged to investigate their crimes if Republicans take control of the US House which will give him the opportunity to serve as chair of the House Oversight Committee in DC.

Executive Director of Kentucky Right to Life, former State Representative Addia Wuchner spoke on the “Yes for Life” Amendment on the ballot in November. As you can see, from the picture to the right, Sage made it to the convention and supports Amendment 2.



The Credentials Committee reported, delegates voted for the Adoption of the Convention Program, Adoption of the Convention Rules and to approve the 2020 Convention minutes. The treasurer’s reported to the convention and President Pam gave her president’s report and is highlighted as follows:

“To highlight, our journey together has produced 4 new chartered clubs, saw a 392 increase in membership, had the highest number of members join our Lincoln Legacy Circle since its formation in 2016 and I watched as “we” worked to flip “Kentucky Red”. I have been Blessed to get to know many of you while driving 18,623 miles in Kentucky and visiting your clubs.”

Carol Rogers and Debby Neal Pate had fun with a skit to teach us about Achievement Awards reporting to the national organization. See pictures below:



3rd Vice President, Linda Brown reported on Reporting Campaign Hours. To highlight Linda's remarks, please see the following:

CAMPAIGN AWARD: DIRECTIONS can be found on the NFRW website at nfrw.org or you can contact our KFRW President for further instruction. The first reporting period was in July 2022, and we had 10 of our 35 clubs reporting. They were, Fayette, Fleming, Jessamine, Kenton, McCracken, Nelson, Oldham, Scott, and Trigg Counties along with the Republican Women's Club of South Central Kentucky in Warren County. Our clubs reported 5055 campaign related calls with 36,066 volunteer hours. The next reporting will be in January 2023. At the 41st Biennial NFRW Convention in Florida in September 2022, our ladies reported 26,488 hours of campaign activity with only 7 of our clubs were recorded as reporting.

By laws Chairwoman, Mary Lou Blount recommended the following changes to our KFRW By-laws after a meeting with the By-laws Committee:

- **Corrected several typos, changed dates as needed**
- **Eliminated language referring to Regional meetings since those are no longer required**
- **Add a duty for Regional Director: Visit clubs in her region, stay in contact with club presidents, and serve as a resource for forming new clubs**
- **Eliminated references to Supporting Members- no longer necessary due to changes in KFEF filing status**
- **Clarified that the Nominating Committee is elected in odd numbered years**
- **Clarified that Board of Directors and Executive Committee members who are not present in person for a called in person meeting are not counted towards quorum and do not have voting privileges (per guidance by NFRW Parliamentarian)**
- **Clarified that the Executive Committee is to approve Plans of Action submitted by the KFRW President and all committee chairwomen by the first Executive Committee meeting of their term**

- Under Article X, Section 4, A, regarding automatic vacancies on the Executive Committee, added that a vacancy is declared if an EC member does not submit a written report (currently states the vacancy shall be declared if a member misses 2 consecutive meetings without representation)
- Under Standing Committees, clarified that Legislative Committee is one committee, not Legislation and Legislative Day as currently listed.
- Under Appointed Committees, eliminated Club Presidents committee

A vote of the changes to our KFRW Bylaws was approved and will be sent to the NFRW for final approval and filing.



Treasurer, Carol Rogers gave an update on the contributions that the KFRW gave to Republican candidates followed by acting chair of the Lincoln Legacy Circle, Ginger Tomlinson who reported the membership in LLC currently has the highest number of members since it's inception in 2016. Members and their guests enjoyed 2 events during the convention with great attendance at both events. See picture to the left of Ginger reporting on the convention floor.

The chair of our scholarship committee, Tina Fox, showed a video of Caroline Cook, our 2022 scholarship winner with the help of Karie Lester who was our outstanding and ever present IT person for the weekend and entire planning and execution of the convention..

Helena Pitcock as chair of the nominating committee recommended the following nominations for officers:

President – Carol Rogers
 1st VP – Deborah Graham
 2nd VP – Barbara Pendleton
 3rd VP – Kay Hensley
 4th VP – Sky Fortune
 Recording Secretary – Tian Fox
 Treasurer – Sherry Goodridge

Vote was taken and approved. Congratulations ladies!



Our convention “Caring for America” Project was flood relief in Eastern Kentucky. The body voted to give \$1000 each to three of our members who suffered devastating loss during the July, 2022 floods.

Convention adjourned approximately 11:30 am.

We cannot do this without the help of many. A special thank you to, Ruth Hunley and Barbara Pendleton from Barren County, Pat and Patty Harman from Scott County who worked at the registration table. Thanks to Deanna Brunner from Laurel County and Susan Pendleton from the Republican Women’s Club in South Central Kentucky for serving as Sgt. At Arms.

A huge thank you to Karie Lester who designed our convention logo and for all the work she did to provide slides and technical help throughout the weekend. God Bless you each one and know how grateful we are.

