

We the People of West TN

March 24, 2022 6-7:45 pm via ZOOM

Red - assigned task **Blue - Need volunteer**

*While your Administrators are happy to coordinate WORK, they canNOT do it all. Volunteer help IS NEEDED. PLEASE see **BLUE** below and contact Londa Rohlfing or Ray Condray or Lori McManus with what you will do.*

24 members attended - including 2 from Church Voter Guide/Chattanooga. 14 were able to attend the entire time, 12 staying past meeting close to watch a part of Biblical Citizenship about Duty.

Church Voter Guide Chattanooga Group

A group 'on fire' from Hamilton County found us by searching online with keywords: Patriot Potluck. Called Ray Condray, shared, and he invited to attend our Zoom to share. Very inspirational! Facts/ideas follow

* **Seek to create dual partnerships with churches** - they even use a 501c3 status at invitation of a church. **Which members will approach their church/leadership?**

* Work/seek out ALL related Social Media possible. **Link to Telegram has been added to Home at our website.** **Who will volunteer to continually post/share our activities on Telegram? Set up a separate Telegram Group for Patriot Potlucks, share QR code on Telegram to attend Patriot Potlucks. Join/link in, post to West TN Meetup Chat on Telegram.**

Other Suggested online groups: Next Door, Hispanic Groups, Blexit, Right 2 Life, other area Facebook Groups - WHO will volunteer to reach out to these groups?

* **Print 12K Business Cards** for distribution anywhere/everywhere by members. **Put QR code on cards linking to Voter Guide on our Website.** Page called "Current Action' has been added and QR Code obtained. We are busy checking out business cards for Administrators (paying for their own) and 'generic' for ALL Members to strategically utilize.

Londa asked and received copies of their cards: they have 2 - a Social Contact card and a Business Contact Card. **IF WTP will agree to make this a true effort, to distribute these cards**, Alicia F. has said she will try to get us some printing donated or at a reduced cost.

They highly recommended seeking out both support and ads from businesses. **Who will head up Business Contacts? Offering advertising on our Website? If advertising on website is 'sold', offer to do feature Articles on their business and why Patriots should support. We also need someone to check into 'going' rates for such advertising.** Londa will put up any ads obtained on our website.

* Partner with other like-minded groups already in existence in our area. WHO ARE THESE GROUPS??? BIRTH Choice. **Who else? Ideas...Home School Co-Ops, Christian Schools... Who will be willing to contact these groups?**

* **Patriot Potlucks - hold monthly.** While theirs are held 3rd Fridays, those present at our meeting all agreed Thursday night better than Friday. **We Need a PLACE to hold these Potlucks. Or shall we go to a Restaurant like Old Country Store? Red Bones also has a good-sized room. WHO will take responsibility for finding a location?**

^ Establish 'Tables' for Hot Button Issues - much as our Action Groups at our website: Medical Freedom, Education*, Church Involvement, Constitution Education (Convention of States and Patriot Academy), Legislation, Voter Integrity, City/Coun-ty Concerns - monitoring City Council & Commissioners Meetings*

*We have WTP candidates and members of these local boards

^Give each 'Table' no more than 3 minutes and a mic to make an emotional plea for help. Each have ready actionable items for those interested.

* Communicate/Recruit through:

^Walkie Talkies establishing neighborhood connections. **Volunteers for neighborhood areas - go visit, give WTP Cards, hand out printed Voter Guides, or have QR code printed on WTP cards to take them to that Voter Guide page at our website. all our effort to EDUCATE & GET OUT THE VOTE!**

^EVERYWHERE as Ambassadors/Members - like lines at stores, churches, etc.....

^ **CALL CHAINS - Text chains.** For \$5/month, I use REACH App on my phone. I (Londa) am happy to show anyone willing to organize CALL CHAINS on how to use REACH.

^ **Jackson Farmer's Market.** We asked and since it is a Farmer's Market to sell produce, starting soon, no such space will be available. WE can recruit members, distribute our Voter's Guide/use Business cards with QR Code to take them to that page on our Website.....

Alicia Franco and Londa asked Manager at The BlackSmith across the street, and he graciously said that we could set up a Booth/Tent for We the People of West TN on the land south of the restaurant that they own. YEAH! This would be Saturday Mornings. **WHO WILL VOLUNTEER to man such a booth? We need at least 2 per Sat. we decide to do this. We also need to have a Banner with our Logo made to put up on the 'Tent'. Does anyone have such a 'Tent'?**

FINANCES - Mike Bryant shared that candidates often have left-over funding that is usually donated to a good cause. He said he'll spread the word of our \$ need. Until we can open a bank account as a 501C3, this is just a challenge. **When we get a Bank Account, we will need a TREASURER.** Until then, checks made out to the person working on a task, with reporting to Londa for adding to Financial Transparency on the Website is the best we can do.

VOTERS GUIDE/CANDIDATE FORUM

Londa reported on the Voter's Guide work over past weeks, and that the Candidate Questionnaire was distributed via email today to all candidates but 1 who declined to share email. Question Pro - a free level account was utilized. Deadline to complete is March 28. Results will be put into Voter Guide format and results published on our Website. If successful, intent is to do again once Primary is over - for the Actual Aug. 4 Election.

Candidate Forum? Shall we have one? May 19 is secured at Festivities for \$200 and would hold 300. Then we could do one again (having learned the ropes) late in June, before July 15 early voting starts. R. Curlin is doubtful that candidates would attend and suggests only one, in late June. Please share your input with administrators (emails given at the end). **AND if you would be willing to HELP pull this off, both or either in May/June.**

PATRIOT ACADEMY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - KYLE WHEELER

Inspirational sharing was given by Kyle Wheeler, Union Student, excited to be sponsored by 4 of the members of WTP. A video about this experience was shared, including the need for additional funding (\$397 before April 15) to send Kyle's brother as well. Kyle shared about the in-depth application process. The \$397 covers room and board. **As of morning, 3/25/22, \$180 have been pledged/received by WTP members for additional student (Kyle's brother).** Kyle will supply travel funds. **Additional contributions need to be received by April 8 to give time to get to Kyle. Make checks payable to Kyle Wheeler.**

Turning Point USA/Union Student Conservative Group Update - Kyle Wheeler

Kyle shared his challenges in getting a TPUSA chapter going. Continue to cover him and this effort in prayer, but latest is resurrecting a College Republican Group with Kyle as President, aligning with TPUSA. Meeting with Madison County Republicans 3/25/22, and likely bringing AJ DePriest for program in April.

MEDICAL FREEDOM/AJ DEPRIEST FOLLOW-UP

Lori has set up a Signal 'texting platform' group for all interested to connect to for discussion and action. Chad F. will keep us informed about hospital activities, but with schooling/work is unable to take leadership role. **Lori will ask Johnna Burmeister if she would/could take leadership. If you are interested in Medical Freedom, please contact Lori McManus.**

NEXT MEETING: Patriot Potluck 4-21-22, a Thursday night

Help is needed to find a location and coordinate this effort.

Peg Ramsay closed in prayer. Meeting dismissed with invitation to stay and view 5' Patriot Academy clip about DUTY.

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