

CENTRAL TEXAS REPUBLICAN WOMEN (PAC)
Executive Committee Meeting
Following the National Day of Prayer at Napolis Italian Restaurant
May 7, 2026

In Attendance: Janet Brown, Rebecca Tong, Christina Demirs, Natalie Austin, Heather Bounds (via phone), Wanita Reeder, Asha Petrich, Cynthia Pursell, Kathy Ruiz, Renee Bigham.

1. Meeting called to order by CTRW President, Janet Brown, at 11:21 am. She stated that the National Day of Prayer was well received. It was wonderful to see how many people were touched and made it out to the event. She thanked CTRW Chaplain Rebecca Tong, the NDP Faith Team, and all the volunteers for making this important annual event happen.
2. The Opening Pray and Pledges to America and Texas were suspended as both were part of the National Day of Prayer.
3. Treasurer, Wanita Reeder reported our Current Balance of \$62,156.67.

Chair Reports:

4. Political Activities Chair, Christina Demirs, reminded everyone to report their volunteer hours for April, May and June by the first of July.
5. Caring for America Chair Kathy Ruiz, and Americanism Chair Natalie Austin, began a discussion suggesting various organizations we have an opportunity to assist in the coming months. Suggestions included: May 16, American Legion benefitting Veterans; Supporting the YMCA 5 Star Market for our Military Families, Christians for Jesus, and of course, the food drive – brings can goods to our General Membership Meeting on Monday, May 11th.

OLD BUSINESS:

6. National Day of Prayer Recap – Completely Well Received. The singers were great and kept the crowd engaged. The Prayer Warriors out in the crowds demonstrated our commitment to those in attendance needing prayer for themselves or others. Adding Youth Spiritual Readers was something we should continue, as is the Honor Guards. The Media and the City of Belton were in attendance, reporting on the event details, including the reading of Proclamations from Governor Abbott and the Mayor of Belton.
7. We will host 2 tables at the Salado Republican Women Tea. China and décor details were finalized.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. The following Members were nominated to be honored with the TFRW Tribute to Women Award: Linda Atkins, Sandra McCleney, Marlean Druce. The event will take place at the Embassy Suites in Rock Round on September 19th. We are sponsoring a 10-top table. \$80 pp to attend.
9. It was decided that we will table the Budget discussion until the August 7th Executive Committee Meeting. CTRW President, stated she would like to allocate an additional \$10,000 from the budget to go toward Republican Candidates this fall.
10. CTRW President brought to the table a discussion regarding sponsoring a table at an event benefitting the local Salvation Army. Cost: \$1,500. Committee voted to move forward with the sponsorship. The event is on June 13th at 6:00pm.
11. The planned fashion show fundraiser has been postponed as a December event or to early next year. The next fundraiser will be our Annual Chili Fundraiser event in October.
12. CTRW Communications Director, Asha Petrich, asked all to be reminded that newsletter articles are always due on the 15th of the month before publication. Articles for the August Newsletter are due by July 15th, 2026.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:15pm. Next Meeting: Thurs. August 7th, Bell County Courthouse, 12 Noon.

Respectfully submitted

Renee Bigham
CTRW Secretary
May 8, 2026