



MINUTES OF THE ROBSON RANCH GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Attendees: Membership of the Robson Ranch Republican Club

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 PM

Opening Prayer – Julie Greenawalt

THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR – Tan Parker

1. FINANCE REVIEW – Jim TenBrook

Reviewed by Jim TenBrook and Chip Keith– both retired CPAs.

Exceptions related to bylaws and procedures of the Club.

e.g. every check had to be signed by 2 approved signers. Those that weren't, carried legitimate signatures, but didn't comply with this policy. The bylaws have been changed to allow a single signature on checks up to the value of \$300.

The report is on the website.

Several checks were over \$1000:

- Storage shed rental.
- Republican yard signs which amounted to \$1700.
- Bus trip to Austin which was cancelled cost \$2700. This can be used on another occasion. for bus trip to Austin.

These 3 items were off budget which was considered to be an error of leadership.

The bus trip issue was addressed by Laurie Wiginton. We believed that we would sell enough seats to cover the cost of bus rental to Austin but didn't.

The bus company would not reimburse the Club but will hold the funds for a future trip.

2. INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES in attendance

Several candidates for Commissioner Precinct 4 as well as others (State Board of Education, Justice of Peace, Mayor, HD64, County Judge, Juvenile Court Judge, District Attorney, HD63).

Also, Denton County "Judge of the Year", Judge Kimberly McCary - Denton County Court at Law No. 1.

3. MEMBERSHIP REPORT – David Blassingame

215 members signed up during the Grace period (ending September 30, 2025.)
70 people joined the Club in August.
321 Active members as of August 31, 2025.

4. STATUS OF OUR NEW WEBSITE – Laurie Wiginton

Laurie and the designer have been working diligently on the project. It should be completed and available for use shortly. A user-friendly website has been created with information for our members and easy access to it. Laurie is delighted with the progress thus far.

5. TOYS FOR TOTS – INTRODUCTION – Carla Pevehouse

Bake America Great Again – We are looking to raise at least \$1000 with this effort. Members were encouraged to volunteer with gifts of baked goods. They will be sold/auctioned off at our October 1 RRRRC General Meeting in the Clubhouse. We will be making a donation to “Toys for Tots” and collecting gifts of toys, also. National Website – <https://www.toysfortots.org/about/>
Denton County - <https://aubrey-tx.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/default.aspx?nPageID=0&nPreviewInd=0&nRedirectInd=3>

6. SPECIAL GUEST – INTRODUCTION - Tom Dollahite and Laurie Wiginton

Many thanks to our guest speaker, Melinda Preston, Chairman of the Denton County TX GOP

After turbulence within the Denton County GOP for some months, “Melinda Preston was elected by the County Executive Committee and entrusted to guide the party through strategic planning, grassroots activation, and voter education.”

1. We’ve heard you say one of your top priorities is to unify the Republicans in Denton County. Tell us about your efforts in this area, and how are we doing?
Melinda Preston – her mission was to unite the Republican Party. Now is the time to stand strong for our cities, counties and state.
Working with precinct chairs.
We can disagree, but we must do it respectfully.
Discussions are taking place on the Muslim influence and Soros involvement within the county.
2. We’ve heard about efforts to censure, and perhaps keep Republican candidates off primary ballots, who don’t vote to support Republicans priorities in the legislature. Please update us on these efforts, and specifically, how Denton County will be represented in these efforts?

Melinda Preston – it is rare to find a rogue representative or senator It is possible to remove a Republican if an elected official is not representing the interests and policies of the party. (Jared Patterson (District 106) was censored by the Denton GOP at a meeting on September 4, 2025.)

3. What's your opinion of closed primaries?

Melinda Preston – Republicans would be supportive of “Closed Primaries”. Our TX State GOP Chair, Abraham George, is in favor of “Closed Primaries”, also, but such a move would be susceptible to a law suit. If not approved now, they are likely to do so at the time of another appeal. (The Texas GOP, on September 5, 2025, sued Secretary of State Jane Nelson to restrict primaries to only voters registered with the party.)

4. We've heard the term “voting centers?” What are voting centers, and what is your position on them?

Melinda Preston - we have the best election procedures right now. Voting Centers would allow voters to cast their vote anywhere in the county they wish to do so. Currently, voters must vote in their precinct – precincts are close to the homes of voters. In favor of precinct voting.

5. We've heard that liberals, for instance George Soros, are specifically targeting Denton County. What can you tell us about this?

Melinda Preston - Soros is targeting Denton County, which is one of 13 in TX. If Denton is flipped to blue, Republicans lost Texas. Our university is very liberal. However, we have precinct chairs who want to save our county.

6. Does the redistricting of the Special Session affect Denton County?

Melinda Preston – HB18 has been the subject of considerable filibustering. Richard Hayes has done a good job in fighting this. (“Relating to a restriction on the acceptance of political contributions and the making of certain political expenditures by a member of the legislature and certain political committees during certain periods in which a member is absent from a legislative session; authorizing a civil penalty.”)

Questions from attendees.

a) A question pertaining to Rep Richard Hayes letter HB 4.

Melinda Preston - Democrats said there would be violence. They have done this 3 times. Democrats are trying to reinvent their party.

b) How do we get rid of Dustin Burrows as speaker?

Melinda Preston – It will be hard to get rid of him in the near future.

Every single elected position in this state will have a Republican running in the next election cycle according to TX GOP Chairman, Abraham George.

7. TREASURER REPORT

We have brought in \$1189.75 – memberships, badges, sponsorships.
\$766.66 has gone out to pay for the second installment of our website.

8. TEXAS STRONG REPUBLICAN WOMEN’S EVENTS

A **meeting** is held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Denton County SW Courthouse, 6200 Canyon Falls Drive, Argyle. - 11:30 AM Social; Noon Meeting.

Power of the Purse event – Saturday, October 4 in the Robson Ranch Clubhouse – 6:00 PM Cocktails; 7:00 PM Dinner.

Supporting “Families to Freedom” – domestic abuse organization.

See: <https://texasstrongrw.org/power-of-the-purse/>

Speaker – undetermined at present.

9. GIFT CARD ROULETTE - Wheel of Names

All those who have submitted a recent membership renewal were listed.
The winning name was given a gift card for the Wildhorse Grill.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Meeting at the RR Clubhouse – Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Doors open - 6:00 PM; Meeting - 6:30 PM prompt

Scheduled Speaker - **US Congressman Brandon Gill** - TX CD 26

Bake America Great Again auction/fundraiser in aid of “**Toys for Tots**” –
Wednesday, October 1

Meeting adjournment: 7:40 PM

Submitted by Elizabeth Wickert, Secretary RRRC