

Officers and National Committeeman
United States Virgin Islands Republican Party

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USVI Republican Territorial Committee Continues Meeting After Assault on Gwen Brady and Passes Three Resolutions

Resolution 1: Approval and certification of winning delegates for submission to RNC *(below)*

Resolution 2: Condemnation of Fred Espinosa for attack on Gwen Brady *(below)*

Resolution 3: Condemnation of John Canegata *(below)*

Minutes Below

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TERRITORIAL COMMITTEE OF THE
REPUBLICAN PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS**

April 16, 2016

1. The meeting was called to Order by the Chairman at approximately 9:20 a.m. in the classroom at D&J Shooting Gallery, No.9Y Estate Cottage, Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands, with attendance by conference telephone by St. Thomas members in accordance with Article V, Section 1 of the Bylaws.
2. The Secretary called the Roll and a quorum was determined to be present.
3. The Chairman did not present or propose an agenda and refused points of order to adopt an agenda for the meeting. The Chairman refused to allow challenges to the Chair or to entertain appeals from rulings of the Chair.
4. Member Frederick Espinosa proposed the ratification of the Chairman's appointments of persons to fill three vacancies in the Territorial Committee. The motion was seconded by Lilliana Belardo de O'Neal. The Chairman then declared the resolution as passed by voice vote, without having first called a vote for either ayes or nay, and refused all points of order to demand a division or call of the roll.
5. A motion was then made to adjourn, which the Chairman then declared passed on voice vote without any voice vote or other vote being called.
6. The Chairman then demanded that all persons in opposition to him to depart the premises of the D&J Shooting Gallery.
7. The Meeting was then reconvened at approximately 11:00 a.m. by the First Vice Chairman at the offices of Hunter & Cole, 1138 King St., St. Croix, Virgin Islands, with attendance by conference telephone by St. Thomas members in accordance with Article V, Section 1 of the Bylaws. The Secretary then called the Roll and the following persons were present in the respective Districts constituting a quorum:

District of St. Croix

1. Dwain E. Ford (Proxy Noel Loftus)
2. Timothy Schoenbohm (Proxy Noel Loftus)
3. Noel Loftus
4. Tanya-Marie Singh
5. Krim Ballentine (Proxy Noel Loftus)
6. Ava-Gail Jagroop (Proxy W.B. Cole)
7. James Oliver (Proxy W.B. Cole)
8. Warren B. Cole
9. Holland Redfield
10. Glen Webster
11. Herbert Schoenbohm (First Vice Chairman, non-voting)

District of St. John

1. Jerry Runyon (Proxy Elissa Runyon)
2. Elissa Runyon
3. Fred Vialet, Jr.
4. Leigh F. Goldman (Proxy Elissa Runyon)

8. By motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the following Agenda was unanimously adopted for the continuation of the Meeting:

A. Old Business:

- a. Resolution to confirm the winning Delegates to the 2016 Republican National Convention and to direct the Officers of the Party to Certify such Delegation to the RNC;

B. New Business:

- a. A motion to condemn the State Chairman for his refusal to allow the conduct of a meeting in accordance with the established rules of order;
- b. A motion to condemn Frederick Espinosa for his physical assault of Mrs. Gwendolyn Hall Brady;
- c. A vote of no-confidence regarding the State Chairman.

C. Adjournment.

9. By Motion duly made, seconded, and by a vote of 13 Ayes and one Abstention, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2016 the Republican Party of the U.S. Virgin Islands held its Caucus for selection of at-large Delegates and Alternate to the 2016 Republican National Convention; and

WHEREAS, the winners of the at-large Delegate and Alternate positions at such Caucus were as follows:

Delegates:

John P. Yob
Gwendolyn D. Hall
Brady
Warren B. Cole
Erica L. Yob
George H. Logan
Lindsey Eilon

Alternates:

David Johnson
Valerie L. Stiles
Andrea Lee Moekel
Humberto O'Neil
Steven K. Hardy
Robert Max
Shanfarber; and

WHEREAS, all disputes and protests filed following the Caucus were resolved in favor of the winning Delegates as set forth above; and

WHEREAS, Certification of the election of the foregoing Delegates and Alternates was effected on or about March 26, 2016, and Notice of Certification first given to the foregoing Delegates and Alternates on March 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing Delegates all gave written notice of acceptance of their election and willingness and ability to attend the National Convention;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the foregoing named Delegates and Alternates are **DECLARED** to be the Delegates and Alternates to attend the 1016 Republican National Convention representing the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Officers of the Republican Party of the U.S. Virgin Islands are hereby **ORDERED** and **DIRECTED** to take all such actions so as to certify such persons as at-large Delegates and Alternates in accordance with the Rules of the Republican Party.

10. By Motion duly made, seconded, and by a vote of 13 Ayes and one Abstention, the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the State Chairman is hereby **CONDEMNED** for his refusal to allow the conduct of a meeting in accordance with the established rules of order and for improperly attempting to adjourn the meeting without a vote.

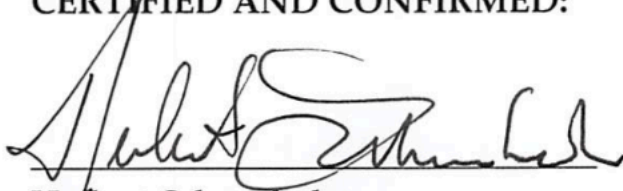
11. By Motion duly made, seconded, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Mr. Frederick Espinosa is hereby **CONDEMNED** for unprovoked physical assault of Mrs. Gwendolyn Hall Brady.

12. By Motion duly made, seconded, and by a vote of 13 Ayes and one Abstention, the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Chairman of the Republican Party of the U.S. Virgin Islands, John Canegata, no longer has the confidence of the Territorial Committee of the Republican Party of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

CERTIFIED AND CONFIRMED:



Herbert Schoenbohm

First Vice Chairman

Date: 04/16/16

This accurately reflects all actions taken at the referenced Meeting



Holland Redfield

National Committeeman

Republican Party of the U.S. Virgin Islands

Date: