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Tazewell County Republican Central Committee Vision

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Our agenda is simple; raise money, energize our base and recruit good people who can run and win at all levels.

Priorities

1. **Vet Candidates.** While many of our local races are non-partisan, we still must vet our candidates to ensure they are upholding and carrying out the ideals of the Republican Party and our platform. Be it school board or county board, municipal posts or county-wide offices, state and even federal positions, we must root out and reject the liberal agenda at every turn.
2. **Talk to our neighbors.** Whether it is at the many summer and fall festivals throughout Tazewell County, during the high-turnout parades, at any of our party events or by walking each precinct and knocking on doors, we must have meaningful conversations with the people in our communities about the importance of Republican values and our beliefs. We must educate them as to our goals and convince them of the weight of their single vote.
3. **Drive the vote.** As we prepare and work toward upcoming elections, we must take control of our ability to get voters to the polls. If our opponents have anything on us in their strategic plan, it is the ability to communicate and energize people to vote. Our ability to win in the future will rely not only on registering our citizens to vote but on the success of initiatives such as Early Voting, Mail-In Voting and utilizing Absentee ballots. Funding for these programs should come from numerous sources but the Tazewell County Republican Party must be prepared to provide the lion's share in order to ensure its success if necessary.
4. **Engage our youth,** a critical path forward. The Tazewell County Republicans have already implemented a program where we engage and discuss politics with our youth in the high school setting. We are in full support of the Young Republicans clubs throughout the county. These young men and women have many questions and are seeking to define themselves as they become adults. It is important we help them learn how to ask the right questions, understand both sides of an argument and articulate the points of their personal view. If we teach them how to attack their opponents, they will approach our problems by name-calling. If we teach them how to attack the problem, they will conceptualize, understand and debate, and will work to find real solutions to the issues of the day.
5. **The Tazewell County Republican Women.** Our belief is the Tazewell County Republicans should drive the effort to provide a networking medium for women. Many of our strongest leaders originate from this demographic and by having an organized entity to work from, they will create prosperity in and strengthen each of our communities. Our purpose in this effort will be to provide initial financial support and expertise in creating and implementing the organizational model needed to launch the Tazewell County Republican Women. Afterward, we will maintain a strong partnership with the organization to further the objectives of the Republican Party.
6. **Energize our base.** By bringing in speakers with a strong message that complement our work is necessary. It is a fundamental method for enlightening and allowing people to motivate themselves to become involved in our process and understanding how what we do, right here in Tazewell County, affects the state and even the country.
7. **Fundraising.** We are the fundraising arm of the Republican Party and fundraisers are critical in our ability to wage political battle. During these fundraisers, we will have raffles, auctions and other events as a way to enable ourselves to become self-sustaining. That will take time, however, and important funding is necessary now to jump-start the process.

It should be the goal of every administration to improve the Tazewell County Republican Central Committee during its tenure. With faith in God and humble work, let us achieve this and all of our goals.

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