

"Learning is an exciting adventure." Anonymous

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men

(and women) to do nothing." Edmund Burke

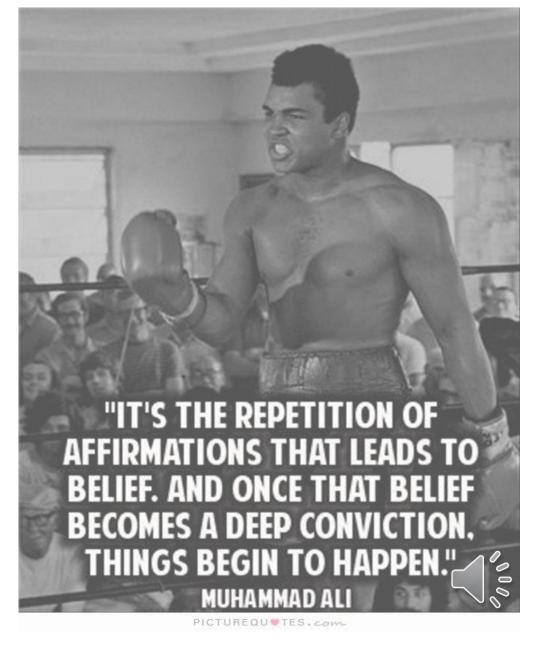


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Welcome to Module Two.

There are two ways to view and re-view this material. There is a pdf version (slides only) and the MP4 (video) version. You may want to download the pdf format for your own records and start a PC notebook. These Modules are designed to be "open source" and sharable and each can be studied at any time, whether you have watched a previous module or not. If you have any questions, please contact us at GOP HQ here in Bexar County. Go to BexarGOP.org or call 210-824-9445. These files will NOT self destruct, but they will impact our enemies when you put them into practice.

If you printed out the pdf version from the previous Module(s), may I suggest you take some time and look over what you have learned so far. Why?



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"Never interrupt your enemy when he is making a mistake."
Napoleon Bonapart

"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little." Edmund Burke

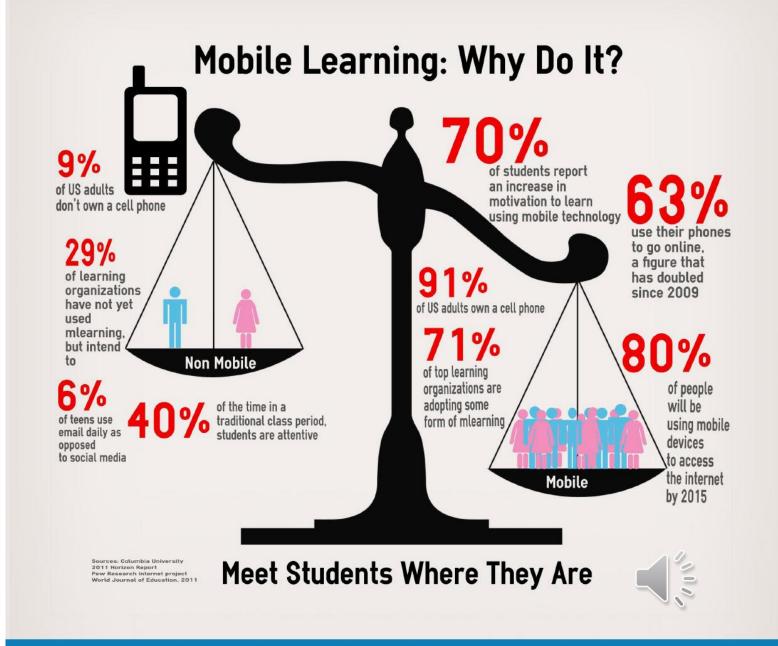
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Module Two Action Steps

- 1. Continue to revisit and revise your Vision Statement from Module 1.
- 2. Look up and be familiar with the Bexar GOP By-Laws.
- 3. Look up and be familiar with the Bexar GOP Rules of Order.
- 4. Picture our County Executive Committee meetings with more unity.
- 5. Practice texting a picture with a message.
- 6. Let us know if you have anyone that would like to become a Precinct Chair.

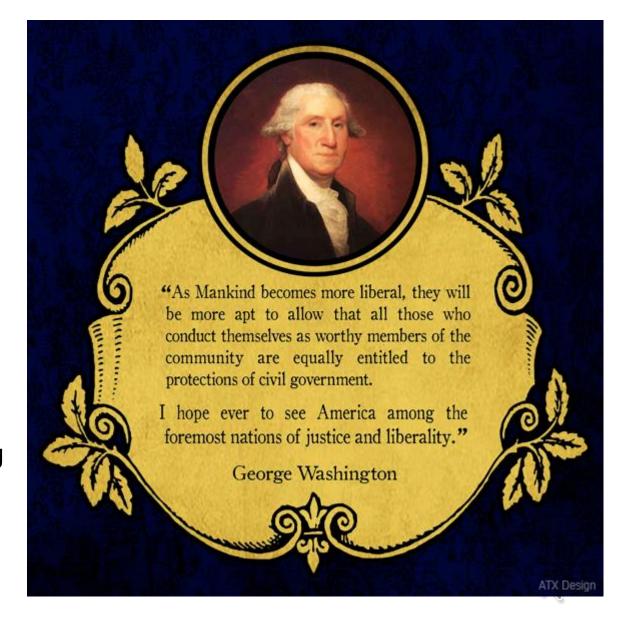
Remember, "Learning an exciting adventure." I praying you have a great time going through these modules. It has been a joy to put these together for you. You may want to go through them more than once. As I was learning, I went over this material three and four times. You will get there. With each new adventure there are new terms and words to learn. Feel free to submit questions or call. You are part of a team.

Blessings, Allen Hamilton



Module Two

- George Washington and Prayer
- James Madison and the Importance of Vision
- Ruler's Law
- What do we mean by "left" and "right"
- Types of governments
- Central value of a Republic
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- What do Precinct Chairs do?
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- Participating in a County Exec. Committee meeting
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- How we move forward in unity
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- Our Texas Party Platform
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The 5 Finger Prayer

Thumb: Those closest to you, your family.

Pointer: Those that point you in the right direction (teachers, doctors, priests) ask for wisdom & support.

Index: (tallest) Those that lead us, (Government) ask for guidance & wisdom.

Ring: (weakest) Those

that are weak, in trouble, or in pain. We cannot pray too much for them.

Pinkie: (smallest) Our prayers for ourselves & our own needs.



PRAYER

We are in a spiritual battle as well as physical. The sacred writings teach us that a spiritual foe cannot be defeated by physical means. Therefore, one of our most important weapons in defeating a spiritual enemy is prayer.

George Washington's Prayer for our country

"I now make it my earnest prayer, that God would have the United States in his holy protection, that he would incline the hearts of the Citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to Government, to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another, for their fellow citizens of the United States at large, and particularly for their brethren who have served in the Field, and finally, that he would most graciously be pleased to dispose us all, to do Justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that Charity, humility and pacific temper of mind, which were the Characteristics of the Devine Author of our blessed Religion, and without an humble imitation of whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy Nation. Amen"

Written as commander in chief on June 8, 1783 from Newburgh, NY. With the assistance of the French fleet, the British surrendered at Yorktown, Virginia on October 19, 1781. However, fighting did not formally end until 1783. The Treaty of Paris was signed on September 3, 1783.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done. On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us,

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory,

Forever and ever. Amen

Pledges



"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."





RPBC Republican Party of Bexar County

Yes, we are going over the basics.

This is a football





Vince Lambardi at Pro Football Training Camp every year.

The Importance of Vision

"Vision is the art of seeing what is invisible to others." Jonathan Swift

"Where there is no vision, there is no hope. A vision is not just a picture of what could be; it is an appeal to our better selves, a call to become something more. Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go." Anonymous

"The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it." Michelangelo



During the Revolutionary War the government under the Articles of Confederation did not do very well at supplying the troops. It lacked a strong Legislative Branch to levy taxes and a strong Executive Branch to supply the needs of the war.

So where did we go from here?





ENTER JAMES MADISON

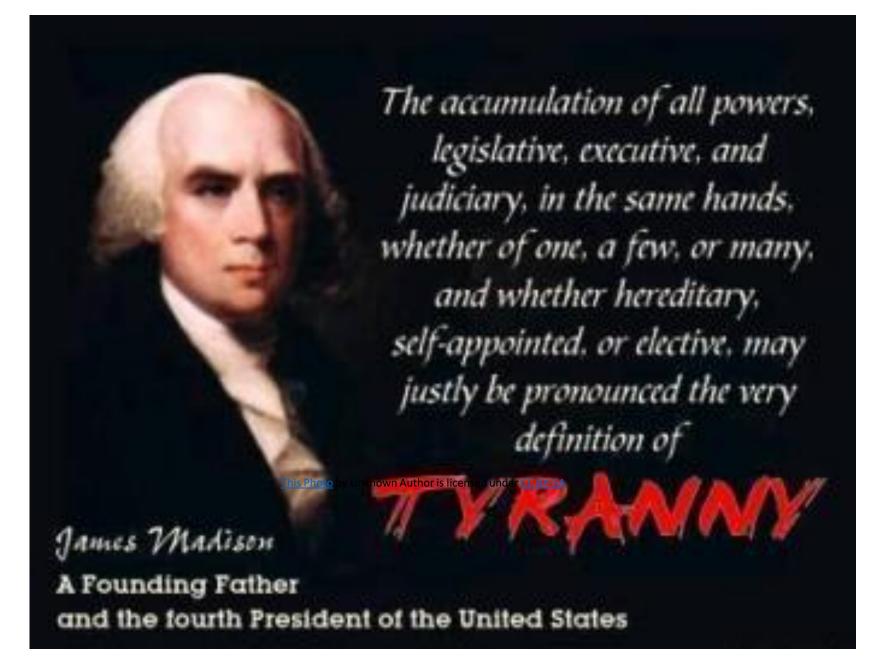




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<u>Fun Facts</u>: James Madison was 5'4". Our shortest president.

- Known as the "Father of the Constitution"
- 4th President of the United States
- Helped draft the original Articles of Confederation
- Fought in the Revolutionary War
- With Jefferson, he fought for Religious Freedom in Virginia
- After the War he did extensive studies of other societies to discover the best way for people to live together peaceably. This was the goal of <u>Political</u> <u>Science</u> in that era.
- He helped draft the Virginia Plan which became a pattern for the Constitution.
 - It divided the government into three branches.
 - The Executive, Legislature & Judicial with checks and balances.
 - Legislature had a House and a Senate, both apportioned by population.
- At the Constitutional Convention, he argued and helped draft The Constitution.
- He was one of the last of the Founding Fathers to serve as President.
- His passing marked the end of an era.





The Founders knew they were embarking into new territory. In the past, 99% of humanity had lived out their lives under systems where all the power resided in a ruler. They did not want to go down that path. Here are some historic examples?

Monarchy Ruled by one person based on a special bloodline. "The divine right of kings"

Aristocracy Ruled by a privileged class usually those with wealth. Today it's the WEF & Davos invitees

Empire Consolidation of kingdoms ruled by an emperor.

Dictatorship Rule by one or a few leaders often military.



What do we mean by "left" and "right"

Ruler's Law 100% (Tyranny) People's Law Common Law

No Law
0 % (Anarchy)

The Problems with Ruler's Law:

- ☐ Power concentrated in the Ruler.
- ☐ The People have no unalienable rights.
- ☐ People are treated as "subjects" of the Ruler.
- ☐ It is a government of men and not the Rule of Law.
- ☐ The people are structured into social and economic classes.
- ☐ Government force is always top down, not up from the people.
- ☐ Transfer of power is often violent: overthrows, poison & civil war.
- ☐ Power exercised by force, compulsion, conquest or legislative usurpation.
- ☐ Rulers create problems to be solved by more government and more taxes.



Here's how Ann Landers explains the different types of governments.

Socialism You have two cows. You give one to your neighbor.

Communism You have two cows. You give both cows to the government, and they

may give you some of the milk.

Fascism You have two cows. You give all the milk to the government, and the

government sells it.

Nazism You have two cows. The government shoots you and takes both cows.

Anarchism You have two cows. You keep both cows, shoot the government agent

and then steal another cow.

Capitalism You have two cows. You sell one cow and buy a bull.



What kind of government do we have?

From the Texas Declaration of Independence, the 2nd day of March 1836.

When a government has ceased to protect the lives, liberty and property of the people, <u>from whom its legitimate powers are derived</u>, ... that <u>the people of</u> <u>Texas</u> do now constitute a free, Sovereign, and independent <u>republic</u>...

Ben Franklin was asked after the Constitutional Convention, what kind of a government have you given us? "A <u>republic</u> if you can keep it."

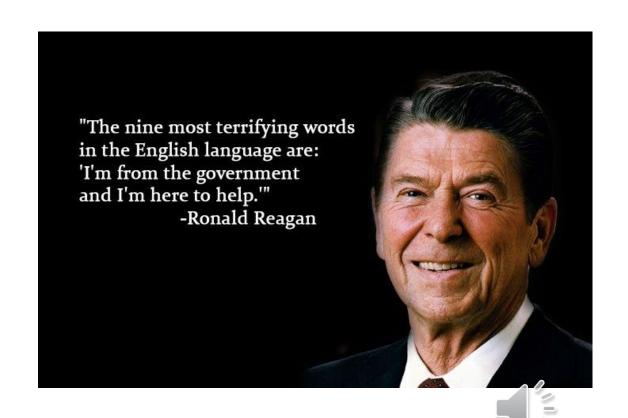
We are a constitutional republic.

John Adams said, "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."



Central Values of a Republic:

- 1. Liberty and inalienable individual rights
- 2. Recognizes the sovereignty of the people as the source of all authority in law.
- 3. Rejects monarchy, aristocracy and hereditary political power.
- 4. Elects representatives to carry out the will of the people.
- 5. Espouses virtue and faithfulness in the performance of civic duties.
- 6. Promotes the vilification of corruption.



HOW ARE WE ORGANIZED?





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REPUBLICAN PARTY STRUCTURE

VOTERS In Your Precinct

PRECINCT CHAIRS

Serve the Voters through Block Walkers, Phone Callers & Texters

County Executive Committee

State Executive Committee

Partnership &

Coalition Org. (TX)

Work in cooperation with the Party to bring groups of citizens to the Texas Rep. Party.

National Committee



Republican

Clubs in Bexar Cty

Work in cooperation with the Party to bring groups of citizens to the Texas Rep. Party.

The Republican Party has FOUR LEVELS OF ORGANIZATION

Precinct Organization

The Precinct Chair recruits volunteers to help GET OUT THE VOTE. The precinct is the smallest unit of the Party. It is also the most essenctial.

County Party Organization

The County Chair and Precinct Chairs are elected by popular vote at the Primary Election held in March of even numbered years.

State Party Organization

The State Republican Executive Committee is composed of the State Chairman, Vice Chairman and 1 man and 1 woman from each 31 senatorial districts (SD). Delegates are elected at the state convention held in May or June of even numbered years.

National Party Organization

Composed of all state party chairman (For Texas is Matt Rinaldi). Also 1 committeeman and 1 committeewoman from each state & US Territories.





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The Texas & National Four Year Calendar

Year One: (2023 & 2027)

January Texas Gubernatorial Inauguration (every four years)

Jan-May Texas Legislative Session (every two years)

Nov Texas Constitutional Amendments (every two years)

Nov-Dec Candidates File for Primary Election (every two years)

Sept-Dec Precinct Chairs File for Primary Election (every two years)

Year Two: (2024 & 2028)

March Primary Election, Precinct, SD / County Conventions (every two years)

June Texas State Convention (every two years)
Nov Presidential Election (every four years)

Year Three: (2025 & 2029)

January Presidential Inauguration (every four years)
Jan-May Texas Legislative Session (every two years)

Nov Texas Constitutional Amendments (every two years)

Nov-Dec Candidates File for Primary Election (every two years)

Sept-Dec Precinct Chairs File for Primary Election (every two years)

Year Four: (2026 & 2030)

March Primary Election, Precinct & SD / County Conventions

May Texas State Convention (every two years)

July National Convention (every four years)

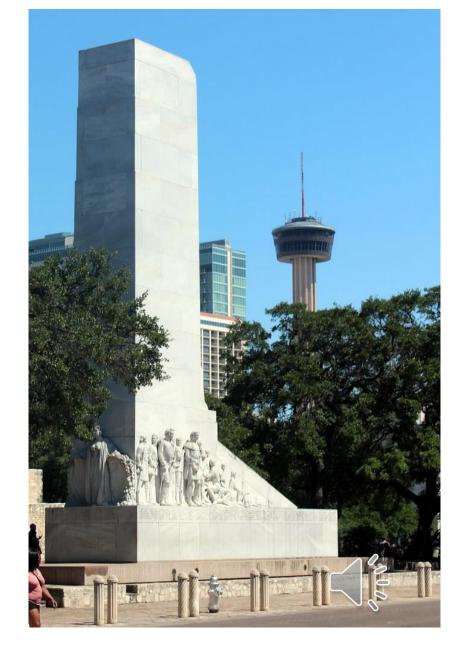
Nov Texas Gubernatorial Election (every four years)



Why are City elections not mentioned?

- They are handled by the <u>City</u>.
- County, State and Nat'l Elections are handled by the <u>County</u>.

Do we also work on City elections? Yes, they are on <u>odd</u> years along with TX Constitutional Amendments.

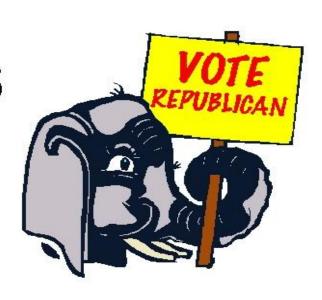


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- * Getting People in Your Precinct Involved
- * Identifying Voters
- * Registering Republican Voters
- * Informing Voters
- * Turning Out Our Voters





CLASS PROJECT

Practice texting a picture and a message to someone.





Be Involved in Your Local Elections

- Primary Elections
 - * Endorsing Conservative Candidates
 - * Election Campaigning / Handouts & Push Cards
 - * Block Walking / Phone Calls & Texting
 - * Working the Polls: Judges & Poll Watchers
 - * Handing out Voter Guides Election Day
- * General Elections
 - * Same as above 5 items



Being Involved in Conventions

* Precinct Convention

After the Primary Election, there will be a packet at your primary location. You will select delegates to the Senatorial Convention.

* Senatorial Convention

As a delegate you will be able to attend the convention in your Senatorial District. There you can work on Platform Planks to be submitted to the State Convention Platform Committee. Delegates also may attend the State Convention.

* State Convention

As a degate & grassroots leader you have the opportunity to attend the State Convention. This year's convention will be in San Antonio.

* National Convention

Every 4 years, 3 delegates and 3 alternates are elected to attend the National Convention. There they select the nominees for President & Vice-President.





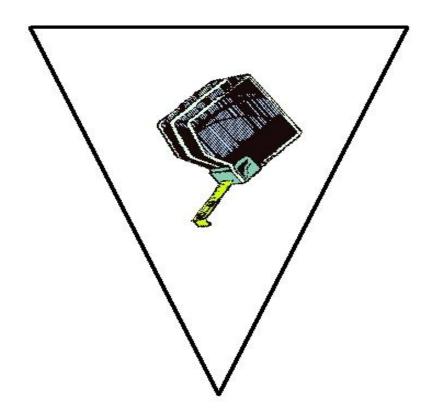
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Serving On the County Executive Committe (CEC)

- * The CEC is made up of the County Chair and all the Precinct Chairs.
- * You represent your precinct
- * Therefore you should make an effort to attend
- * Your presence counts towards a quorum (25%)
- * A quorum enbles the party to do official business
- * If you cannot make it, there is no proxy voting

Our Governing Documents

Download from the BexarGOP.org & TexasGOP.org



Bexar County:

- * Rules of Order
- * Bexar County By-Laws
- * Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised

Texas:

- * Texas Party Rules
- * Texas SREC By-Laws
- * Texas Party Platform
- * Texas Election Code





How to move forward in unity?

- Focus on what we agree on.
- We are more united than we think we are.
- So, what is the Texas Way?



In Texas we can agree that:

- *All men (mankind) are created equal,
- *that we are endowed by our <u>Creator</u> with <u>unalienable rights</u>, that among which are:
 - *Life,
 - *Liberty, and
 - *The pursuit of Happiness.





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"What We Believe" (from the Bexar GOP website)

- ✓ First Amendment: Freedom of Religion, of Speech, of the Press, peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government
- ✓ Pro-Life from the womb to the tomb
- ✓ 2nd Amendment, right of self-defense
- ✓ Secure Borders, nations and states have borders.
- ✓ Strong Families, the foundation of society
- ✓ Free Enterprise without gov't interference
- ✓ Election Integrity, transparent & verifiable
- ✓ Limited Government, the smaller the better
- ✓ Equality before the law
- ✓ Equality of opportunity
- ✓ Personal and Religious Liberty
- ✓ Respecting for our Military & First Responders:

From the Texas Republican Party Platform:

- 1. We believe in American exceptionalism. (self gov't, free enterprise, free worship)
- 2. We believe the United States of America is unlike any other nation on earth.
- 3. We believe America is exceptional because of our historic role, first as refuge, then as defender, and now as exemplar of liberty for the world to see.
- 4. We believe in the Constitution as our founding document.
- 5. We believe the Constitution was written not as a flexible document, but as our enduring covenant.
- 6. We believe our constitutional system, limited government, separation of powers, federalism, and the rights of the people, must be preserved uncompromised for future generations.
- 7. We believe political freedom and economic freedom are indivisible. When political freedom and economic freedom are separated, both are in peril; when they are united, they are invincible.
- 8. We believe that people are the ultimate resource and that the people, not the government, are the best stewards of our country's God-given natural resources.

What made the United States unique and the exception?

It was the first time in human history that three things came together in one nation:

- ✓ Freedom of Religion- the freedom to worship God according to the dictates and inspiration of our own soul.
- ✓ A Free Economic System instead of Ruler's Law.
- ✓ The Rule of Law instead of the divine right of kings.

This coming together has been called the <u>5,000 Year Leap</u>. It created tremendous growth and freedom for "the people."

Any nation can follow our lead. Few have done so.

Are there factions within the Republican Party?

There are conservatives and globalists. Globalists are also called the Uni-Party, the swamp and an animal with one horn. Among the Conservatives we have:

<u>Basic Conservatives- Promotes individual liberty and free-market economics Social Conservatives:</u> (at least two types)

- Christian Conservatives- Seek to apply Christian teachings to politics
- Log Cabin Republican- Favor LGBT issues

<u>Libertarian Conservatives</u>- On social issues they favor privacy.

On foreign policy they favor non-interventionism

<u>Neo Conservatives</u>, promote war with other countries. Interventionalist foreign policy. Generally sticking our head where it doesn't belong.

The media also divides us into:

MAGA Republicans, those who support Trump and his policies Anti-MAGA, those who don't like Trump



Wouldn't it be great if we could all learn to get along for the good of the Party?

Is that how it always works out?

No. Strong <u>egos</u> causes divisions and divisiveness. They often lose sight of the majority goals and focus on their pet peeves. They desire to accumulate power and control. We should seek those things that bring us together. Unity takes work. It means listening and compromise to move the ball down the field. And, it is worth working towards.

We all have personal passions and beliefs and we can continue to pursue those in peaceful ways. We would do well to try to hear what the other side is saying instead of just digging in our heels. Look for where we agree and where can work together. Building consensus takes time and effort. Patience is a hallmark of maturity.

However, this is sometimes how it looks at a CEC Meeting.



WHAT A CEC MEETING CAN LOOK LIKE (notice that the ones fighting are in hot water)





QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

ONE MAN AWAKE

One man awake awakens another,
The second awakens his next-door neighbor,
And three awake can rouse the town,
And turn the whole place upside down.
And many awake can raise such a fuss,
That is finally awakens the rest of us.
One man up with dawn in his eyes, multiplies.

Author Unknown

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THE MAN WHO THINKS HE CAN

If you think you are beaten, you are, if you think you dare not, you don't,
If you like to win, but think you can't, it's almost certain you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you're lost, for out of the world we find,
Success begins with a person's will, it's a state of mind.

If you think you are outclassed, you are, you've got to think high to rise.

You've got to be sure of yourself before you can ever win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go to the stronger or faster man,
But sooner or later the man who wins,
Is the man who thinks they can!

Walter D. Wintle



Thank you for participating in <u>Module Two</u> of Precinct Training for the Republican Party of Bexar County.

We have more to come.

Keep learning and growing.

