

## **Sun Lakes Republican Club**

### Open Meeting

**When :** Jan. 12, 2021 6:30 PM-8:30 PM

**Where:** Heritage Chapel, TriCity Baptist Church, Chandler

**Who:** approximately 70 people

### **AGENDA**

1. Mike Tennant, Chairman of SLRC, welcomed everyone.
2. Chairman Tennant then led the attendees in the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Carolyn McCorkle, First Vice Chairman, welcomed and introduced any new attendees, then introduced the guest speakers.
4. The first speaker was JD Mesnard. JD won re-election to the State Senate under difficult circumstances. Over 1 million dollars of mostly out of state money was spent to try to defeat him. He began his talk letting us know we Republicans still have a very slim majority in both the House (16/14) and the Senate (31/29). Today was the first official meeting of the State Legislature for the year 2021. He let us know he is the head of the Commerce Committee which is directly linked to the AZ economy and economic recovery. We entered the pandemic with a billion dollar surplus. This dropped alarmingly low during the pandemic. But he says that now it looks like we will end up with close to a billion dollar surplus once the economy recovers. This is due, he said, to tax reforms and cuts that Gov. Ducey and the legislature passed before the pandemic hit. He said that Prop 208, which passed by just a 51% majority, is being challenged in the courts. Evidently, according to our state constitution, tax increases are supposed to be initiated by the legislature not the public at large. If the courts do not decide that the initiative was unconstitutional, there are other ways to challenge the tax. He says there are limits to how much taxes can be raised in a calendar year. Prop 208 would surpass those limits. So there may be other ways to lower the burden of the

additional taxes on middle income people. These middle income people are the ones who own and run small businesses. The small businesses are what drives our economy. These business owners have already experienced losses due to closures during the pandemic. The people who created Prop 208 have no idea how our economy works (or they don't care).

JD said he is working on several bills to change the way elections are done in AZ. Among the issues which he is working on are: ballot harvesting, cleaning up voter rolls, and making voting by mail require the same proofs as what a voter has to provide as a walk in voter. He said that the Board of Supervisors was subpoenaed to give over the voting machines so a forensic investigation could be done. All but one supervisor (Mr Chucri) refused to obey the subpoena. Jack Sellers, who is the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, was going to represent the board at a meeting at the capitol Wednesday, Jan. 13th. We are waiting on the results of this meeting.

5. The next speaker was Tyler Bower. Tyler Bowyer is a 7th Generation Arizonan and conservative activist. He has served as Republican Precinct Committeeman, Congressional Advisory Chairman, Republican Legislative District 17 Chairman, Republican County Chairman of the largest Republican-held County in America and was a primary organizer and speaker at the first "Trump Rally" in July 2015. Tyler joined Charlie Kirk at **Turning Point USA in 2015**. He is the Chief Operating Officer overseeing the nation's largest and most effective field program organizing the nation's largest activist events and reaching hundreds of millions in digital initiatives. In 2019, Tyler also took on the role of COO of Turning Point Action, the 501(c)(4) organization that operates the nationwide youth effort "Students for Trump." He was also one of our 11 elected electors for Trump. He is our elected AZ National Committeeman on the Republican National Committee. Each state has 3 elected representatives to the National Committee: The Republican State Party Chairman, The National State Committeeman and the National State Committeewoman. Tyler started his talk declaring "The Fraud is Real!". He said he wants to give us advice as to how to survive as Republicans and thrive

as Conservatives. He sees the National Republican Committee as being fractured 3 ways: the Conservatives (1/3) , the RINOS and others he isn't even sure are American loving citizens (1/3) and the "Pragmatists", those who don't care anything about the party they just want to get reelected and enjoy the perks (1/3).  
CONSEQUENCES: He said that the government needs to find those who did fraud during the election and hold them to account. Whatever the consequence would be has to be a deterrent onerous enough to keep people from committing fraud. This includes those who would vote numerous times for dead people still on the books, all the way up to those who would use tainted voting machines to flip votes.

MAIL IN BALLOT REFORM: He said mail in ballots have to be done away with or be made more difficult to obtain—at least as difficult as what proofs a walk in voter must provide. The signatures on mail in ballots have to be 100% validated or not counted at all. BIG TECH GIANTS: He said that the Big Tech Companies (Twitter, Amazon, Facebook) are monopolies and need to be broken up. APATHY: Apathy is our worst enemy when fighting a leftist regime. He encouraged people to step out and become Precinct Committeemen and get involved in some area that they have a special interested in: run for an office or a seat on a school board, find, support or work for a GOOD candidate, educate your children and friends to the benefits of capitalism and free markets and a republic over socialism.

6. Carolyn handed out 4 pages of top elected officials in AZ . She also handed out a graphic showing how a bill becomes a law.
7. Chairman Mike Tennant suggested people send donations to Turning Point USA.
8. Mike also announced we will be meeting in the same room (Heritage Chapel) in February. The guest speakers will be discussing the election, election reform and other unanswered concerns of voters. Until the Covid regulations change and the HOAs open up their premises for larger meetings, we will be meeting here.