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Meet our September 2017 Speaker

David Avella
Chairman of GOPAC

A seasoned communications professional and political operative, David Avella has spent the majority of his career working to advance free enterprise and conservative fiscal policies. He is a requested speaker on current national and state issues, how to communicate effectively, and how to execute winning political campaigns.



Mr. Avella is a frequent guest on national television and radio, including the Fox News Channel, MSNBC, Fox News Radio, and more. He is also a quoted source for national and local print, video, online and social media platforms.

During his tenure at the helm of GOPAC, Avella has worked to advance the conservative cause and promote the leaders who champion these principles.

Accordingly, Avella coordinates extensively with federal and state elected officials and the organization's Legislative Leaders Advisory Board, which is comprised of State Senate and House leadership from across the country.

Mr. Avella has overseen the establishment of many successful projects including GOPAC's Six Goals to Creating Jobs and Opportunity, annual Emerging Leaders Summit, annual State and Local Summit, and Hispanic Campaign Training Summit.

In addition, Avella has driven the expansion of GOPAC's education and digital training programs, which has strengthened and fostered the organization's connection with elected leaders nationwide. These programs are why Republicans turn to GOPAC for coaching and best practices on effective ways to communicate conservative policies.

By leading the organization to grow its major donor program by 349% in five years, Avella has proven himself to be a strong fundraiser. Equally, his financial stewardship has enabled GOPAC to set organizational records for financial and political support of promising candidates. GOPAC has excelled in recent years by building a healthy roster of prepared, tested Republican leaders ready to run for higher office.

A native of Martinsburg, West Virginia, Avella earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science at Shepherd University. He and his wife, Claire, currently reside in Arlington, Virginia.

Golf Scramble October 16th

Gary Teal, Executive Director for TCRP shared with us their ongoing efforts to build the Travis GOP into a stronger volunteer-driven force for good in the Greater Austin area is a constantly developing process. But for starters, under the new 2016-18 Bylaws, we have a five-member Executive Steering Committee that is determining the new direction.



The Steering Committee is meeting monthly and when necessary.

The chair of that committee is the Executive Vice Chairman, or EVC. The EVC takes on many roles traditionally belonging to the County Chairman except for those specifically given to the County Chairman by federal and state law and party rules. Think of it as an advisory committee but with authority.

All property -- physical and intellectual -- was temporarily transferred to a related organization for safe-keeping. The Steering Committee controls the Friends of the Travis County Republican Party organization, but has recently returned holdings back to the county party.

The Travis GOP retains an executive staff -- Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Director, Communications Director, etc. -- and has acquired cost-efficient office space in Northwest Austin.

He encouraged all to become more involved in the job of electing republican candidates by being a volunteer to work on an as-requested basis, on a weekly schedule, or at special events.

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