



June 4, 2005

Executive Committee Meeting

As accepted, July 15, 2005

A regular meeting held at
Sagebrush Steakhouse
in Clemmons, NC

These minutes were e-mailed to: ecLPNC@yahoogroups.com, JudicialCommittee@LPNC.com and the County Contact list.

With Mr. Hill presiding and Ms Wilcox recording, the meeting came to order at 11:05 AM.

Members Present: Mr. Hill, Mr. Wrights, Ms Wilcox, Mr. Vuchnich – by proxy (Mr. Pitts), Ms Hogarth, Mr. Pitts, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Irving, Mr. Norman, Mr. Powell, Ms Gallivan, Mr. Anders – by proxy (Ms Hogarth), Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Pasotto and Mr. Smith.

Staff Present: Mr. Haugh

Guests: Carol Wilcox

I. Opening

- A. Several items were added to New Business and the agenda was accepted as amended.

II. Executive Director's Report

- A. Mr. Haugh reported that he and Mr. Wrights did a four-hour session of the Matt Mattan show on WWNC out of Asheville.
- B. A total of 25,205 signatures have been turned in for ballot access.
- C. The Electoral Fairness bill is still sitting in the Finance Committee. There is a strong possibility that the bill will not make it out of committee. All Libertarians need to contact their legislators and push to get this bill out of committee.
- D. Mr. Haugh will keep Mr. Winger, from Ballot Access News, apprised of our situation regarding ballot access and Mr. Haugh will keep the EC informed of his advice.

III. Officer Reports

A. Chair

- 1. Mr. Hill reported that all of the bank records are now up to date.
- 2. Mr. Hill reported that he has resigned as county chair for the Cabarrus LP and has decided to start his own business, in part so that his time is more flexible and he can better serve the needs of the party.
- 3. Mr. Hill spoke of the new energy seen in the Mecklenburg affiliate.

B. Vice-chair

- 1. Mr. Wrights also spoke about the Matt Mattan show and what a positive experience it was.

C. Recording Secretary

- 1. The Convention minutes are finished and will shortly be distributed and available to everyone.
- 2. The Secretary also reminded the members that if they are not tending to business they should be silent to make minute recording more correct.

D. Treasurer

- 1. The most current financials have been posted to the website.
- 2. Jim Pitts moved, and Eric Smith seconded, that all profits realized from the State Convention be transferred to the Ballot Access account. The vote was unanimous.

E. Newsletter Editor

1. The May/June newsletter will be at the printer within days and in mail boxes in a week.
2. The deadline for articles for the July/August publication will be July 15.

F. Outreach Director

1. Mr. Pitts reported that he is still fine-tuning his outreach project by dealing with his local press.
2. Mr. Pitts expressed his concern that the process by which he receives inquiries is still problematic.

G. Ballot Access Director

1. Mr. Ritchie reported that he is doing background research on his duties and is looking for input from more seasoned Executive Committee members.
2. Mr. Ritchie has been connecting with legislators concerning ballot access when he discusses issues regarding soil and water conservation issues.
3. After discussion it was agreed that the committee formed to make ballot access fund spending decisions would remain as is with the Ballot Access Director, the Executive Director and the Chair making those determinations.

H. Press Secretary

1. The Press Secretary reported that convention releases went out and several hometown papers picked up the information.
2. Mr. Irving also reported that several papers picked up his op-ed piece regarding the lottery.
3. Seven releases have been issued so far in 2005.
4. Mr. Irving also reported that a group of Libertarians attended the anti-annexation rally sponsored by "Stop Cary". He gave this as an example of the party's ability to work with affinity groups.

I. Membership Secretary

1. Mr. Norman reported that he is putting a lot of work into getting NIDUS up-and-running and available as a tool for outreach in North Carolina.
2. North Carolina lost 40 national members in the last month but there may be problems with these numbers.
3. After long discussion it was decided that Mr. Norman will try to separate out members whose membership has expired.
4. The NIDUS information should be installed on the website before the next Executive Committee meeting and available for use.

J. Political Director

1. Mr. Powell suggested that the Executive Committee have a workday to orient new members and to discuss the functions of each executive committee position.

K. Webmaster

1. Ms Gallivan reported that she has put a lot of work into getting pages ready to go on line
2. A request was made that all members who have not posted a picture see the Webmaster after the meeting.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Convention

1. The Convention Committee reported that over \$4,000 was raised for the Ballot Access Fund.

B. County Affiliate Affairs

NO REPORT

C. Small Business Owners Initiative

NO REPORT

D. Policy Manual/Past Practices

NO REPORT

V. Old Business

A. Electronic Voting

1. On May 29, 2005, the minutes of the May 1, 2005 Executive Committee meeting were approved by consensus.

B. Inclusion in Political Debates

NO REPORT. STILL waiting for response from attorney

C. State Fair

1. Susan Hogarth agreed to act as Chair of the State Fair Committee and Jim Pitts and Beverly Wilcox agreed to serve as members of the committee.
2. A budget will be presented to the next meeting.

D. Legislative Agenda

1. The Legislative Agenda Committee has been populated - Eric Smith, Sean Haugh, Brian Irving and John Powell have all agreed to serve.

VI. New Business

A. Bylaws, Platform, Statement of Principles Committees – Discussion

1. Beverly Wilcox moved, and Susan Hogarth seconded, that discussion of the Committees be postponed until the next Executive Committee meeting. The vote was unanimous.

B. Replacement of National Regional Alternate – Discussion

1. Mr. Hill reported that Chris Ferris has resigned from this position and there are two candidates willing to fill the remainder of his term.
2. Lee Wrights moved, and Brian Irving moved that Trevor Sutherland be endorsed as the replacement. The motion passed with 4 abstentions and the remainder voting in the affirmative.

C. Fair Tax – Discussion

1. Eric Smith moved, and Susan Hogarth seconded, that discussion of this issue be limited to 10 minutes. The motion passed with one member voting in the negative.
2. It was determined by consensus that no official action be taking on this issue.

D. Lifetime Membership – Michael Badnarik

1. Brian Irving moved, and Eric Smith seconded, that a sum not to exceed \$50 be appropriated to purchase a plaque to present to Mr. Badnarik to acknowledge his lifetime membership in the LPNC and that he be added to the Tarheel Libertarian mailing list. The plaque will be present to Mr. Badnarik on his next stop in North Carolina. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.
2. Ms Wilcox volunteered to purchase the plaque.

E. List-serve – EC Yahoo Group

1. Mr. Jacobson moved, and Eric Smith seconded, that all state Libertarian Party members be allowed to join the eLPNC Yahoo discussion list but not be able to post. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

F. Consideration of Work Day

1. After discussion it was decided that a Work Day would be held on June 18th at Craig Springer's office in Cary. The meeting will start at 11 AM and anyone interested in the workings of the Executive Committee will be invited to attend and take part.

VII. Adjournment

A. Next Meeting

1. The next meeting will be at 11 AM on July 16, 2005, held in Sanford under the direction of Mr. Pitts.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM..