



December 2, 2006
Executive Committee Meeting

As accepted

A regular meeting held at
Washington Bookstore and Tavern, Concord, NC

These minutes were e-mailed to: ecLPNC@yahoogroups.com, JudicialCommittee@LPNC.org, and affiliates@LPNC.org.

With Mr. Jacobson presiding and Ms Wilcox recording, the meeting came to order at 11:10 AM

Members present: Mr. Jacobson, Ms Wilcox, Mr. Vuchnich, Ms Howe, Ms Hogarth, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Norman, Mr. Burr, Ms Elliot, Mr. Pasotto and Mr. Sinnott.

Members present by proxy: Mr. Wrights (Bob Ritchie), Mr. Howe (Barbara Howe) and Mr. Smith (Beverly Wilcox)

Members absent: Ms Gallivan

Guests: Paul Elledge, Thomas Hill and Marty Reading.

I. Opening

- A The agenda was accepted after several additions under Old and New Business.

II. Officer Reports

A. Chair

1. Mr. Jacobson reported that LNC budgeted \$125,000 toward ballot access.
2. Mr. Jacobson applauded the election of Joy Elliot to her Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the reelection of Bob Ritchie to his Soil and Water Conservation Commission.

B. Vice-chair

NO REPORT

C. Recording Secretary

1. Ms Wilcox reported that she will go back to the old practice of trying to get minutes approved via the EC Yahoo Group so that they are available to rank and file members in a more timely fashion.
2. Mr. Jacobson will request that the Webmaster post these minutes to the website once they are approved by the Executive Committee, as was the past practice.

A recess was called for the purpose of ordering lunch and the meeting was reconvened.

D. Treasurer

1. (This report was given later in the meeting after the arrival of Mr. Vuchnich.) Mr. Vuchnich reported that the total cash balance is \$13,847 in the bank, with \$4,515 in outstanding legal bills and \$3,076 of the total dedicated to ballot access petitioning.
2. The total paid for legal expenses this year is \$10,200.

E. Newsletter Editor

1. Ms Howe reported that the deadline for submissions for the next issue is December 6.
2. The next issue will address issues of membership and pledging.

F. Outreach Director

1. Ms Hogarth reported that the Justin Raimondo events were successful although lightly attended.

G. Ballot Access Director

1. Mr. Ritchie noted several outstanding petition signature gatherers – John Evans, Paul Elledge, Mike Munger and Bill Redpath.
2. Mr. Redpath was also recognized for his work with the LNC regarding funding.
3. Mr. Ritchie volunteered to have copies of the Bill of Rights printed as a ‘gift’ or conversation starter for petition signature gatherers.
4. We have 43,890 raw signatures and 28,345 of that total have been certified. Three mailings are still in process with local Board of Election.
5. Mr. Hill asked that Llywd Morris also be recognized as an outstanding petition signature gatherer.

H. Press Secretary

NO REPORT

I. Membership Secretary

1. Mr. Norman reported there are 264 dues paying national members; 148 dues paying state members and 229 Tarheel Libertarian recipients.
2. He continues to contact expiring national members but that program will be complete as of the end of the year.
3. Richard has agreed to continue his contact program into next year for those who have still not signed on as state members.
4. State dues renewal letters will be sent out starting in January.
5. Ms Howe will send the next issue of the Tarheel Libertarian to a target group of people determined by Mr. Norman.

J. Political Director

NO REPORT

K. Webmaster

NO REPORT

III. Committee Reports

A. Convention

1. The date for the convention has been set as April 27 – April 29, 2007. It will be held in Hickory at the Park Inn.
2. Bev Wilcox moved and Susan Hogarth seconded that Barbara Howe be able to sign a contract with the Inn and spend up to \$700 on the deposit for said contract. The voting was unanimous.
3. The committee is now looking for speakers for the convention.

A recess was taken for lunch and the meeting was reconvened.

B. County Affiliate Affairs

1. Richard Norman presented a very detailed report regarding his progress in reenergizing the local affiliates program. (The report is available by request from Mr. Norman.)
2. Mr. Norman will be working with Mr. Ritchie regarding a regional concept. They have worked out a potential break down of the counties by region. This is still a work in progress with five regions planned. He is looking for someone to be the coordinator for each region.
3. Much of the present contact information is not current. Getting correct information will be his next step in setting up the regional system.
4. In response to requests from Forsyth and Lincoln counties, Mr. Norman will discuss with the county chair of each county the process by which the Executive Committee can be of assistance as they try to reorganize their county affiliates.

C. Campus Affiliate Affairs

1. Discussion was held concerning possible ways to get college affiliates active.

D. Policy Manual/Past Practices

NO REPORT

E. Legislative Agenda

1. Ms Howe has volunteered to donate the funds to provide a copy of "The Law" for each of the newly elected legislators. This will be a continuation of the program started two years ago.

F. State Fairs

NO REPORT

G. Finance Committee

NO REPORT

H. By Laws Committee

NO REPORT

I. Lawsuit Committee

1. Ms Howe and Mr. Vuchnich reported that the transition has been made so that Ms Howe will be the future contact person. She will meet with Sean Haugh soon.

J. Ballot Access Petitioning Committee

NO REPORT

K. Professional Fundraiser Search Committee

1. Barbara Howe reported that she is still following up on leads for a fundraiser.

L. Electronic Voting Rules Committee

NO REPORT

M. Issues and Priorities Committee – Michael Munger

1. Mr. Munger has provided a first draft of the committee's issues and priorities suggestions. The Chair will share the document with the Executive Committee and asked that members review the document and provide feedback.

IV. Old Business

A. Electronic Voting

NONE

B. Inclusion in political debates

NO REPORT

C. Discussion and Action on motion: that all income not designated and not allocated be designated to projects according to the percentages suggested by the priorities voting at the convention (tabled from 10-22-06)

1. This motion was withdrawn.

V. New Business

A. Discussion – protocol for event endorsement

1. After a short discussion it was decided that Ms Hogarth will propose a policy to present at the next meeting.

B. Other New Business

VI. Adjournment

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.
- B. The next meeting will be held at 11 AM on January 13th, in Oxford at the Howe residence.
- C. The March meeting will be held March 3rd in Rockingham County under the direction of Bev Wilcox.