

Executive Committee Meeting 18 July 2009

Presiding: Chair Barbara Howe

Recording: Recording Secretary Stephanie Watson

Other Committee Members Attending: Bev Wilcox, Rick Pasotto, John Caveny, Derrick Hinson, Phil Jacobson, Jason Bateman, Susan Hogarth (after lunch recess)

Also Attending: Edward Gore, Michael Beitler

CALLED TO ORDER at 11:17 AM by Howe

The agenda was discussed and set.

Chair Report

- Barbara Howe present and reporting
- Howe reported that she attended Festival on the Eno as well as the July 4th tea party in Raleigh.
- Howe later reported that Mike Munger has been informed of the resignation of Judicial Committee member Chris Spruyt, but she did not know whether Munger had been able to follow up on that.

Vice-chair Report

- Bev Wilcox present and reporting
- Wilcox reported that she loves her job.

Recording Secretary Report

- Stephanie Watson present and reporting
- Watson reported that as she had misplaced the previous Treasurer's Report, she had not yet finished minutes from the June 6, 2009, meeting, but would post those for review as soon as she added that information.
- Watson also reported that she completed and submitted (to Howe) the corrected minutes for the state convention.

Treasurer Report

- John Caveny present and reporting, including the following written report:

::: BEGIN TREASURER'S REPORT :::

Treasurer's Report

Libertarian Party of North Carolina

July 18, 2009

Account Balances

General account balance: \$ 1,233.30

Federal account balance: \$ 953.89

Lawsuit figures:

Lawsuit fund balance: No longer maintained as a separate figure

Expenditures for 2009: \$ 12,000.00

Since suit was begun: \$ 44,735.00

Loan balance: \$ 6,300.00

Other Information

We had a total income of \$1630 from June 1 through July 17. We paid \$4000 against legal fees during that time period. The loan balance includes 7 1/2

months' interest at 8% per year.

Respectfully submitted,
John Caveny

::: END TREASURER'S REPORT :::

- Caveny expressed a need to consider forming a formal finance committee to make proposals to the EC for fundraisers and budgets, which should better encourage and manage regular donations to the LPNC. He reported that the LPNC currently has 16 regular donors. Caveny agreed to follow up with Howe by email to organize that committee.
- Howe indicated the law firm bill balance as of April 30 was about \$16,000 and would report the exact numbers (with scans of the invoices) on the EC mailing list.
- Pasotto requested a report from Caveny for individuals' most recent donations.

Membership Secretary Report

- Rick Pasotto present and reporting
- Pasotto reported that he is continuing to work with Wilcox to compare the LPNC's data from LP national against lists of registered voters with LP national membership and LPNC membership.
- Pasotto encouraged the creation of certain form letters to send when individuals request information about LP national, start or end membership with LP national, or turn up in the LP national report but are not registered Libertarian.

Webmaster Report

- Rick Pasotto present and reporting
- Pasotto gave Caveny a copy of the bill for the 3-year domain renewal for lpnc.us and lpnc.info.
- Pasotto asked for the EC to suggest any features he could add to the site.
- Pasotto repeated a request for EC members' biographical information for the Web site.

Communications Director Report

- The Communications Director position was eliminated until we can find another individual to serve in that role.

Outreach Directors' Report

- Susan Hogarth present (after the lunch recess) and reporting
- Hogarth reported that the LPNC manned booth for three days at Festival at the Eno in Durham. She also indicated the LPNC was doing outreach at some other events such as the Cabarrus Co [[FIXME]], Fun Fourth GSO [[FIXME]].
- Hogarth also reported preliminary plans to hold another Constitution Day event, possibly another target shooting event.
- Hogarth expressed plans to join Second Amendment Sisters, a pro-gun group of women.
- Hogarth reported that Craig Springer also had some outreach ideas pending further discussion with her and Howe.
- Hinson said he would get a booth at the Stokes County fair and asked that Hogarth help him coordinate some volunteers.

Campus Affiliate Affairs Report

- Jacobson reported that Joy Elliott had expressed a desire to share or

hand over this position.

Legislative Agenda Committee Report

-- Committee not yet established since the convention

Lawsuit Committee Report

- Barbara Howe present and reporting
- Howe reported that the hearing for the appeal went well, and that the attorneys said it would be nine months to a year before the court would make a decision.
- Howe also reported that the NC House bill for modifying ballot access law in NC did not pass.

Convention Committee Report

- Barbara Howe present and reporting
- Howe indicated that there was nothing new to report on this since the last EC meeting.

CALL TO RECESS for ordering lunch at 12:07 PM by Howe

CALL TO ORDER at 12:54 PM by Howe

Hogarth provided her Outreach Report (written earlier in these minutes)

At-large Members' Reports

- Hill thanked the EC for support for outreach in Cabarrus County, and announced the Harrisburg July 4th festival
- Hill expressed a desire to find the best candidate to run for US Senate and other office. EC members discussed goals and ideals for upcoming elections.

Old Business

(1) Agenda item A, Communications Directory Agreement

With the current elimination/vacancy for Communications Director, this business item became moot.

New Business

(1) Agenda item A: Growing the party

Wilcox introduced the business explaining her experiences interacting with excited volunteers, and she expressed that the LPNC needs a process to get people equipped to put together county/local affiliates as soon as they express interest in organizing a group. Discussion followed about priority actions to address this issue. Following discussion, Wilcox volunteered to be the point of contact to help get people organized. Hinson also volunteered to help affiliates in his area to get organized. Jacobson suggested an effort for single-issue targets to encourage involvement, too. Watson volunteered to write up a 1-page howto for Wilcox for what the local affiliate treasure role entails (statement of organization, treasurer training, and semi-annual reports).

(2) Agenda item B: Open Executive Committee positions

>>> MOTION: John Caveny moved to accept Mike Beitler and Edward Gore as Executive Committee Members At Large.
SECOND: Derrick Hinson
>>> PASSED unopposed

Howe confirmed that before the EC agrees to sponsor (in name) any of the tea party events in the state that we would not without being publicized as a sponsor at the event.

EC members agreed to hold the next meeting set for August 29, 2009, location to be determined (possibly in Union County to aid in organizing a local affiliate there). These tentative subsequent dates were also selected: October 10

>>>MOTION: John Caveny moved to adjourn.
SECOND: Stephanie Watson
>>>PASSED unopposed

CALL TO ADJOURN at 1:59 PM by Howe