



LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

APRIL 27, 2016

DISTRIBUTION DATE: APRIL 28, 2016

CURRENT STATUS: CANDIDATE FOR AUTO-APPROVAL ON MAY 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Nick Sarwark called the meeting to order at 9:39 p.m. (all times Eastern)

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee members participating were: Nick Sarwark (Chair), Arvin Vohra (Vice-Chair), Alicia Mattson (Secretary), Tim Hagan (Treasurer), Sam Goldstein (At-Large), Jim Lark (Region 5), Bill Redpath (At-Large)

Staff participants were: Wes Benedict (Executive Director)

Other LNC participants were: Gary Johnson (At-Large), Ed Marsh (Region 2 Alternate), Joshua Katz (Region 8 Alternate)

Representing the Ohio affiliate was: Scott Pettigrew

Other identified participants were: Paul Frankel, Andy Jacobs

PURPOSE

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing obtaining ballot access in Ohio.

OHIO BALLOT ACCESS

In Ohio, a party petition to place our presidential ticket on the ballot with the party label would require over 30,000 valid signatures. The Ohio affiliate has chosen to petition for "independent" candidate status, which only requires 5,000 valid signatures. Approximately 8,000 raw signatures would need to be collected. The affiliate is committing to provide at least 2,750 of that goal, and the LNC would provide the remaining 5,250. While there is a chance that one of the pending lawsuits could result in our party status being restored, we should not count on that to happen.

Mr. Redpath has received an offer from Trent Pool to collect these signatures for \$2.25 per signature, and Mr. Pool intends to piggy-back our petition drive with another initiative effort already in progress.

Mr. Redpath moved to encumber \$12,500 for the Ohio petition drive.

Following debate, the vote on the main motion was as follows:

Voting "aye": Goldstein, Hagan, Lark, Mattson, Redpath, Sarwark, Vohra

Voting "no": (none)

At the suggestion of Dr. Lark, the Executive Committee expressed its thanks to Mr. Pettigrew for his ongoing work in Ohio, and to Mr. Redpath, Political Director Carla Howell, and others involved in the ongoing Pennsylvania petition drive.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 10:01 p.m.