

LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 28, 2017

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CALL TO ORDER

Nick Sarwark called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. (all times Eastern).

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee members participating were: Nick Sarwark (Chair), Arvin Vohra (Vice-Chair; joined meeting at 5:17 p.m)., Alicia Mattson (Secretary), Tim Hagan (Treasurer), Sam Goldstein (At-Large), Jim Lark (Region 5 Representative), Bill Redpath (At-Large)

Other LNC participants were: Ed Marsh (Region 2 Representative), David Demarest (Region 6 Representative), Whitney Bilyeu (Region 7 Representative), Ken Moellman (Region 3 Alternate)

Staff participants were: Wes Benedict (Executive Director)

Representing the Libertarian Party of Ohio were: Elizabeth Gentner, Scott Pettigrew

Representing the Libertarian Party of Arkansas were: Michael Pakko

Other participants were: Paul Frankel, Andy Jacobs

PURPOSE

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing ballot access encumbrances for Ohio and Arkansas.

OHIO BALLOT ACCESS ENCUMBRANCE

The LNC allocated \$100,000 in the 2017 budget for Ohio ballot access following presentation of a written plan and oral reports at the December LNC meeting. The Ohio Supreme Court has since ruled against the lawsuit seeking recognition of the Libertarian Party on the basis of votes cast for the Johnson/Weld presidential ticket in 2016.

Mr. Redpath moved to encumber \$100,000 of Libertarian Party funds for the Libertarian Party of Ohio petition drive.

Following debate, the vote was as follows:

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

Voting "no": (none)

The motion was adopted with a vote total of 6-0.

ARKANSAS BALLOT ACCESS ENCUMBRANCE

The LNC allocated \$30,000 in the 2017 budget for Arkansas ballot access based upon written and oral reports from the Ballot Access Committee at the December LNC meeting. The drive requires 10,000 valid signatures within a 90-day timeframe, and the target raw signature count is 15,000. Dr. Pakko indicated the Arkansas affiliate expects to contribute approximately \$8,000 as well as some volunteer signatures.

Mr. Redpath moved to encumber \$30,000 of LNC funds for the Libertarian Party of Arkansas petition drive in 2017.

Following debate, the vote was as follows:

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

Voting "no": (none)

The motion was adopted with a vote total of 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 5:24 p.m.

