

Libertarian Party of North Carolina  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2018

**Call to order:** 8:30 pm

**In attendance:** Susan Hogarth (chair), Brent DeRidder (secretary), at-large members Angela Anderson, Matt Clement, Chris Dooley, Amy Lamont, Andy Steude, Ryan Teeter, Sarah Brady Wagner, and Alec Willson

**Absent:** Nathan Phillips (vice chair) and Clement Erhardt (treasurer)

**Guest:** David Ulmer, Brad Hessel

**Correction**

R. Teeter requested a correction to his attendance record: He attended the 2/1/2018 EC meeting.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

S. Hogarth requested approval of the previous meeting's minutes. Committee approved pushing out approval of the 2/1/2018 meeting minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Final Approval of Corrected Bylaws Revised in 2017 Convention**

S. Hogarth and R. Teeter recommend striking the running "Revised in Convention" text in the Bylaws. The EC approved the updated Bylaws with this change:

**(By roll call)**

**Aye:** Matt Clement, B. DeRidder, R. Teeter, S. Brady Wagner, S. Hogarth, A. Steude

**Abstain:** A. Anderson, A. Willson, C. Dooley

**No vote:** A. Lamont

**LPNC 2018 Convention**

**Raffle:** (A. Anderson) The committee planning a 50/50 raffle. Clement said this should be fine with some caveats regarding advertising in social media.

**Videography:** A. Anderson talked to Anthony and Shane. Anthony proposes live streaming, videography, editing, promotional interviews for \$600 for the weekend. Shane proposes videography only for \$200.

M. Clement and A. Anderson support Anthony's proposal. A. Anderson moved to authorize an expenditure up to \$600 for Anthony's proposal. A. Steude seconded. This motion passed.

**Donations:** S. Hogarth requested volunteers to capture information regarding donations and pledges at convention.

**Final Vote on Marsy's Law:**

Vote in favor of endorsing Marsy's Law

**Aye:** S Brady Wagner

**Nay:** Matt Clement, B. DeRidder, R. Teeter, A. Willson, A. Anderson, A. Steude, C. Dooley, A. Lamont

**Abstain:** S. Hogarth

## NEW BUSINESS

### Filing Fees for Five General Assembly Candidates

The Howes are donating filing fees for five general assembly candidates to be used at the EC's discretion. B. DeRidder moved to allow the Chair (S. Hogarth) and Political Director (S. Brady Wagner) to distribute the donated funds at their discretion. R. Teeter seconded. M. Clements makes friendly amendment to add the phrase "to maximize the number candidates" which was accepted by B. DeRidder. The motion passed unanimously.

M. Clements suggested making the donation a matching fund to entice additional donations. S. Hogarth will include this in an email.

### Resignations from the LPNC Executive Committee

Nathan Phillips (Vice Chair) and at-large member, Alec Willson, have implied resignation by exceeding

B. DeRidder moves to accept resignation of Alec Willson. A. Willson made a plea to allow him to try to raise his level of activity and engagement having resolved personal matters which kept him from attending to his LPNC EC duties.

**Nay:** M. Clements, A. Steude, B. DeRidder, S. Hogarth, A. Lamont, S. Brady Wagner, A. Anderson, A. Willson, C. Dooley

**Abstain:** R. Teeter

**Motion fails.**

M. Clements moves to accept Nathan Phillips' implied resignation for his 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive and 9<sup>th</sup> overall absence. B. DeRidder seconded.

**Aye:** A. Steude, B. DeRidder, R. Teeter, S. Brady Wagner, A. Anderson, M. Clements, A. Lamont

**Nay:** A. Willson

**Abstain:** S. Hogarth

**Motion carries.**

### Executive Committee Vacancies

M. Clements moves to advertise the vice chair and open EC positions to LPNC members by email and on social media and ask people to respond by noon Thursday 2/22/2018 to get candidate to appear at the next in-person meeting. The motion was not seconded and M. Clements withdrew the motion.

### Closed Executive Committee Sessions

This agenda item is now moot since meeting recordings have been "un-published" and are no longer publicly available.

### Randolph County Sheriff Race

Non-issue because nobody has filed yet. Eric Hicks is a disgruntled Republican who has been vocal about changing his affiliation to Libertarian in order to avoid the Republican Primary and run against his Republican opposition. Adam Brooks has voiced his intent to run as Libertarian for Randolph County Sheriff as well. This would then force a Libertarian primary. The EC weighed options including publicly denouncing Eric Hicks' candidacy as a ballot raider.

### **Campaign Budget**

S. Brady Wagner requests a budget of up to \$6,000 to support up to 60 candidates (35 choice candidates at up to \$50 support, 20 change candidates at up to \$150 support, 5 challenge candidates up to \$250 support). S. Brady Wagner moves to allot up to \$6,000 to support up to 60 candidates in the 2018 election cycle. A. Steude seconded. C. Dooley requests more details. A. Anderson requests a treasurer's report. S. Brady Wagner withdraws the motion and will provide the additional detail.

### **Support of Steve Scheetz to Serve out Trent Stone's Term as Region 5 Alternate**

James Lark is our regional representative. Trent Stone is our alternate and has resigned. The region re-forms at every national convention. James and Trent were elected at the last convention. Trent ran and barely beat out Steve Scheetz. Steve would like to continue serving out Trent's term.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next online meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 1st, 2017 – at 8:30pm.

Next in-person meeting is proposed for Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – at 1pm in Raleigh.

### **ADJOURN**

B. DeRidder moved to adjourn. R. Teeter seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.

### **To Dos**

- 1. ALL will review meeting minutes from this and 2/1/2018 meeting minutes**
- 2. Brent will remove subtitle from Bylaws**
- 3. Susan will advertise for EC positions**
- 4. Sarah will write up the candidate funding proposal**
- 5. Susan will post discussion of next in-person meeting time on Slack**
- 6. Susan will post discussion of Randolph County Sheriff race on Slack**