

**ATTENDANCE:**

Present at the start of the meeting were Chair Harold Thomas, Vice Chair Helen Gilson, Treasurer Linda Comstock, and members-at-large Homer Taft and Dustin Nanna. 6 of 8 members present. Quorum is 5 of 8.

Also present for the meeting was Deputy Secretary Jim Cavoli and Tricia Sprankle. Mr. Cavoli took the minutes for this meeting due to the lack of the Secretary's attendance.

**I. Opening**

**A. Call to order**

- i. Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM.

**B. Conflicts of Interest**

- i. There were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

**C. Approval of the agenda**

- i. Mr. Taft requested the addition of time for budget discussions; Mr. Thomas agreed and recommended it be the first item in New Business.
- ii. Mr. Taft requested that the new office discussion be moved ahead of the 2020 caucus approval.
- iii. Mr. Taft All proposed modifications to the agenda were accepted unanimously by a voice vote.

**D. Approval of minutes from previous meeting**

- i. Mr. Cavoli submitted the minutes from the previous meeting.
- ii. Mr. Taft moved the acceptance of the minutes as submitted. Ms. Comstock seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**E. Business conducted between meetings**

- i. There was no business conducted between meetings.

**II. Officer Reports, Activity Updates, and Comments**

**A. Treasurer**

- i. Report published internally via Drive; Ms. Comstock presented the report, noting some recent difficulties with the tracking spreadsheets.
- ii. Mr. Taft moved to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit. Ms. Gilson seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**B. Vice Chair**

- i. Ms. Gilson had nothing to report.

**C. Chair**

- i. Mr. Thomas noted the latest events in a pending lawsuit and potential implications for the Party.

**D. Alternate Region 3 Delegate to Libertarian National Committee**

- i. Mr. Nanna stated that there are no new major updates.

**III. Division Reports**

**A. IT Division Report**

- i. Mr. Cavoli noted that there have been continuing updates and upgrades of systems and migrations from Basecamp.
- ii. Mr. Taft requested additional search filters for contacts based on names.

- B. Communication Division Report**
    - i. No report was submitted for the Communications Division.
    - ii. Mr. Thomas notes that he has been unable to reach Nathan.
  - C. Social Media Division Report**
    - i. Mr. Nanna notes that we have stabilized our monthly impression numbers and is working on mutual content-sharing agreements with other liberty-focused pages to help begin increasing them. Sharing content from the LNC commentary on the impeachment process created a lot of engagement. The search continues for a Twitter specialist.
  - D. Political Division Report**
    - i. No report was submitted for the Political Division.
    - ii. Mr. Glasgow is ill.
  - E. Events Division Report**
    - i. Dr. Fricke presented updates pertaining to the 2020 convention planning. Minimum room-night and banquet expenditure requirements are still being debated with the venue.
  - F. Field Development Division Report**
    - i. No report was submitted for the Field Development Division.
    - ii. Mr. Thomas notes that he has not spoken with Johnny in several days.
    - iii. Mrs. Gilson asked for specific clarification as to whether CDGs of the reporting requirement for spending plans
    - iv. Mr. Taft pointed out an ongoing lack of response regarding a pending application for appointment of a CDG for Lucas County.
  - G. Finance Division Report**
    - i. No report was submitted for the Finance Division.
    - ii. Mr. Cavoli presented some details regarding the Lifetime Donor dinner being planned.
    - iii. Mr. Thomas created the “Lifetime Donor Fundraising Event” committee, composed of Mr. Cavoli, Mr. Glasgow, Mr. Grover, and Dr. Fricke, to carry out the balance of planning and execution of such an event.
- IV. Special Committee Reports**
- A. Legislative Coordinator**
    - i. No report was submitted.
    - ii. Mr. Thomas notes that Mr. Gary Nolan is presently getting oriented in this role, has begun to prepare draft position papers, and will begin attending the Center-Right coalition meetings in 2020.
- V. Old Business**
- A. Prioritizing delegates to Libertarian National Convention**
    - i. Mr. Taft noted that the Central and Executive Committee chairs for Lorain county don't seem to have their respective priority noted on the current spreadsheet.
- VI. New Business**
- A. 2020 Budget**

- i. Many ideas were discussed amongst those present; no particular action was proposed or taken.
- ii. Mr. Nanna moved to table this item until the end of the New Business section. Mr. Taft seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**B. Office Location Discussion**

- i. A working session was held involving the presentation and discussion of various options.
- ii. Mr. Taft moves that notification be given to the current landlord that we will not renew our present lease unless existing concerns are remedied satisfactorily, with an offer of up to \$750 for rent for suite 430 or up to \$650 for suite 102. Mr. Nanna seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote. Ms. Gilson abstained.
- iii. Mr. Taft moved the creation of a special committee for the purpose of handling our office renegotiation and search, to be appointed by the Chair, empowered to investigate and present any options deemed sufficient. Dr. Fricke seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

- 1. Ms. Comstock, Mr. Cavoli, Ms. Sprankle, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Taft were named to the new Office Renegotiation & Search committee.

**C. Approval of online Presidential caucus March 16-20, 2020**

- i. Mr. Nanna moved to authorize the conduct of a non-binding online caucus of Presidential candidates March 16-20, 2020. The motion failed for the lack of a second.
- ii. Mr. Taft moved to table this topic until after the selection of the next date and time. The motion was seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**D. 2020 Budget**

- i. Mr. Taft moved to table this item until the end of the meeting following the setting of the next date. Ms. Comstock seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**VII. Set the next Executive Committee meeting date and location**

- A. Mr. Taft moved to set the next ExCom meeting for January 11, 2020 at 11:00 am at the LPO office in Columbus for the consideration of business relating to potential ballot access issues. Ms. Gilson seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

**VIII. Previously Tabled**

**A. 2020 Budget**

- i. Mr. Taft moved that the amounts presented in the 2019 budget be accepted as the authorized budget until the conclusion of the next Executive Committee meeting on January 11, 2020. Ms. Comstock seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**B. Approval of online Presidential caucus March 16-20, 2020**

- i. Mr. Taft moved that this topic be tabled until the next Executive Committee meeting on January 11, 2020. Mr. Nanna seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote. Ms. Gilson abstained.