



Libertarian Party of Ohio
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
11 April 2020

The regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Ohio Executive Committee on 11 April 2020 was called to order at 10:10am.

Present were members:

- Chair Harold Thomas
- Vice Chair Helen Gilson
- Treasurer Linda Comstock
- Deputy Secretary Jim Cavoli (*non-voting*)
- At-Large Member Dustin Nanna
- At-Large Member Homer Taft
- At-Large Member Michael Fricke

Quorum per Bylaw 300§2 is set at 60% of the body, which excludes the Central Committee Chair in ex-officio capacity (RONR (11th ed.) p. 483, l. 35 - p. 484, l. 3). With 7 of 10 seated members present, quorum is achieved.

I. Opening

A. Conflicts of Interest

1. No conflicts of interest were disclosed

B. Adoption of Agenda

1. The proposed agenda was presented by Chair Harold Thomas.
2. At-Large Member Homer Taft moves to adopt the agenda; Vice Chair Helen Gilson seconded.
 - The motion passed by voice vote.

A. Approval of previous meeting minutes

1. Regular Meeting 07 March 2020

- The minutes were previously distributed to members internally, waiving the requirement that they be read (RONR (11th ed.) p. 354, ll. 10-15)
- The minutes were accepted by unanimous consent without further corrections.

2. Special Meeting 09 March 2020

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- The minutes were accepted by unanimous consent without further corrections.

C. Review of business conducted between meetings

1. Motion to authorize up to \$420 expense by the IT Division for the purchase of the VoIP Integration extension for the LPO CRM

II. Officer Reports, Activity Updates, and Comments

A. Treasurer's Report

1. A written report was provided.
2. Treasurer Linda Comstock presented the report
3. At-Large Member Homer Taft moves to accept the Treasurer's report, subject to audit; At-Large Member Michael Fricke seconded.
4. The motion to accept the report passed by voice vote.

B. Secretary's Report



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1. A written report was not provided.
 2. Deputy Secretary Jim Cavoli reported that the Office of the Secretary has begun using a slightly new form for the minutes, beginning with this meeting, highlighting:
 - The new form emphasizes RONR citation for certain usual mechanisms of business
 - The new form better
- C. Vice Chair's Report
1. A written report was not provided.
 2. Vice Chair Helen Gilson stated there was nothing new to report.
- D. Chair's Report
1. A written report was not provided.
 2. Chair Harold Thomas reported that active litigation continues on several issues, highlighting:
 - New lawsuit against the Hamilton County Board of Elections over refusing to list "Libertarian" as a selectable ballot option
 - League of Womens' Voters lawsuit has been dismissed as moot given the circumstances, will see no appeal.
- E. Activity Updates from LNC Member(s)
1. LNC Region 3 Alternate Dustin Nanna reported the final decision regarding the May convention is forthcoming on May 2, highlighting:
 - In-person convention appears to be increasingly likely as Texas moves to begin to reopen the state
 - The venue has reported that they will be reopening at the beginning of May and are moving to conduct the event as scheduled
 - There are many contingencies being considered, including a slight delay in time to changing venue
 - In-person if at all possible is the easiest path forward and is being pursued aggressively
- III. Division Reports
- A. No division reports were solicited or received for this meeting.
- IV. Special Committee Reports
- A. No special committee were solicited or received for this meeting.
- V. Old Business

At this point in the meeting, At-Large Member Patrick Glasgow arrived. With 8 of 10 seated members present, quorum is maintained.

- A. Finalize delegates to the National Convention
1. Chair Harold Thomas noted that the list has been updated according to the decision made in the Special Meeting and distributed to members prior to the meeting. Barring any specific objection or revision, the list as distributed will be submitted to the LNC
 2. At-Large Member Dustin Nanna indicated that he has received many requests for our delegate list, requesting that we publish some degree

of information from the list. Following some discussion, Chair Harold Thomas indicated that the list of names would be published, but no further information, by the LPO in advance of any publication(s) by the LNC regarding the delegate lists.

3. At-Large Member Homer Taft noted that the shifting circumstances around the convention's date and mechanisms of conduct may substantively alter who may go, especially considering priority designations, further suggesting that perhaps the list ought to be submitted including all priority delegate names.
4. Chair Harold Thomas noted that the list
5. At-Large Member Homer Taft moves that all persons with bylaws priority not already listed as a delegate be added to the list of alternates; At-Large Member Michael Fricke seconded.
 - The motion failed by voice vote.

VI. New Business

A. Develop campaign plan for remainder of 2020

1. At-Large Member Homer Taft moved that the body enter a Quasi Committee of the Whole (RONR (11th ed.), p. 538, l. 7 to p. 540, l. 9) to address this business item; At-Large Member Dustin Nanna seconded.
 - The motion passed by voice vote.
2. Exiting the Quasi Committee of the Whole, the body reported the following as goals for the organization through the 2020 General Election:
 - Communications:
 - Social media re-posting, boosting, and advertising of traditional media and original content
 - Priority on Facebook post boosting and ad placement
 - Possible short-form video placements
 - Moderate candidate strategy:
 - Traditional media and advertising push via radio, billboards, and limited television with similar tone to the Johnson/Weld campaign
 - Emphasis on digital billboard advertising for its flexibility
 - Prioritizing targeted radio advertisement over television
 - Radical candidate strategy:
 - Flamboyant messaging, emphasizing social media and leveraging probable existing traditional media coverage
 - Field:
 - Focus on engaging and building up the field volunteer organization through tight collaboration with the county



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groups and affiliates - lead with the local connection and coordination.

- Political and Membership:
 - We have to support our candidates in Ohio as a priority. As much financial contribution as we can contribute will help, as well as resources and tools.
 - Membership is something that we should offer in all fundraising asks. A goal of 30-50% of new donors as members would assure a strong continued base for future budget years and election cycles.
- Finance:
 - Aggressively reach out and request contribution from our existing list of contacts
 - Track progress to goals by earmarks until November of:
 - 40% toward direct Ohio candidate support
 - 50% toward election-cycle outreach effort
 - 10% toward contingencies
 - From November to the end of the year by earmarks of:
 - 100% toward general funds

3. Vice Chair Helen Gilson moved to adopt the recommendations of the Quasi Committee of the Whole report on this business item as goals for the organization; Treasurer Linda Comstock seconded.

- The motion passed via voice vote.

VII. Setting next meeting date, time, and location

- A. The next regular meeting of the Executive Committee is resolved to take place at 12:00pm on 3 May 2020 at the Libertarian Party of Ohio office, located at 6230 Busch Boulevard, Suite 102, Columbus, Ohio, and by the usual electronic means by unanimous consent.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:29pm.