

Libertarian Party of North Carolina

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

22 December 2022

In Attendance:

Ryan Brown, Secretary
Steven DiFiore, At large
Sarah Brady, At large
Travis Groo, At large
Mike Ross, Treasurer

Absent:

Joe Garcia, Chair
Jonathan Hopper, Vice-Chair
Kimberly Acer, At large

LPNC Guest members:

Dee Watson
Mac Browder
Robert Rayborn
Stephen Sumner

Call to Order:

Ryan Brown called the meeting to order at 8:33 PM, EST. Nominations were opened to elect a temporary chair for the meeting. Ryan nominates himself to act as chair for the meeting. Travis Groo seconds. Steven DiFiore nominates Mike Ross to act as chair for the meeting. Mike Ross rejects the nomination. Without objection, Ryan Brown was selected to chair the meeting.

Chair Report:

There was no chair report given or submitted before the meeting.

Electronic Voting:

There were no electronic votes since the last meeting.

Previous Minutes:

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted without objection.

Treasurer Report:

Balances:

Truist Primary - \$26,502.91

Truist Federal - \$190.54

PayPal - \$1,582.00

Spending Since Last Meeting:

- \$8.00 – Twitter Blue

- \$14.99 – Zoom

- \$1,000.00 – Village Inn

- \$70.00 – C&E Gun Shows Inc

- \$330.32 – Mac Browder reimbursement for OfficeMax Materials (Check not yet cashed)

Outstanding Project Authorized Spending:

Tabling Materials - \$570.65 remaining (\$1,000.00 authorized)

Convention Related

- Village Inn - \$100.00 remaining (\$1,100.00 authorized)

- Larry Sharpe - \$1,500.00 remaining (\$1,500.00 authorized)

Mike Ross moves, **“That we remove the authorization of the \$100 remaining reserved for paying the deposit after paying the deposit at the Village Inn.”** Seconded by Travis Groo. **The motion passes without objection.**

Officer and Director Reports:

Convention Planning Committee Report:

- Dee Watson reports that the Convention Planning Committee is planning to contact Dale Folwell and invite him as a speaker. The Committee also plans to contact all elected Libertarians in the state and invite them to convention. Mike ter Maat has also agreed to speak at convention. Dee is also planning to contact Chase Oliver. The Committee is also planning to have 3 to 4 presentations/training sessions.
- Ticketing costs were briefly discussed. As we lost some money by guessing on the Gala last year, we are cutting off the Gala registrations when the hotel needs the numbers. All prices are going to have their early bird prices set when the hotel needs our Gala numbers.
- The website is still being built and will be put out shortly.
- The Committee is also requesting \$1,000 for printing materials for convention. The Committee expects it to come out to less but wants flexibility if needed.

Mike Ross moves, **“That we allocate \$1,000 to get the requested item printed for the convention.”** Seconded by Sarah Brady. The Committee plans to print

sooner rather than later and will try to get the lowest price possible. The big items to print are the Convention Rules, Bylaws, and Platform of the LPNC.

The motion passes without objection.

2023 Bylaws Committee Report:

Brian Irving, chair of the Bylaws Committee was not present. Ryan and Dee, as members of the Bylaws Committee, updated the Executive Committee on the status of the Bylaws Committee. All items have been reviewed at least once. They're in the process of being posted to the membership. They will be all finalized by the Committee and sent to the Secretary by February 8th.

Old Business:

- Twitter Blue Subscription. - Ryan Brown
Previously we had allocated money for Twitter Blue. Since the last meeting, we have executed and have gotten the blue checkmark and other features for the LPNC Twitter.
- Advice consent of people for P&P LPNC Data Analytics jobs - Ryan Brown

Steven DiFiore moves that, "**we increase the number of positions for the LPNC Political and Policy data analytics team from three to four.**" Seconded by Mike Ross

After brief discussion, **the motion passes without objection.**

Steven DiFiore moves that, "**I move that by LPNC Chair Joe Garcia's recommendation, and in his seeking the LPNC Executive Committee's advice and consent, to appoint the following persons as members of the LPNC Policy Data Analytics Team: Daniel Cavender, Sean Acton, Kyle Ward and Peter Antley.**" Seconded by Travis Groo.

After brief discussion, **the motion passes without objection.**

- Craven County affiliate.

In the past week, Ryan had found that the membership status of the remaining member of the Craven Executive Committee, Max Oglesby, could not be determined. During the Affiliate Team meeting, the topic was discussed. Steven DiFiore reports that Craven County is considered in startup mode. Max has expressed a desire to be a part of the affiliate. The Affiliate Team is reaching out to make sure he is compliant before convention. A nominating convention will put Craven County back on the right foot.

- LPNC Merch Store - Mike Ross

Since the last meeting, Mike has done his due diligence with the State Board of Elections and we can go forward with it. Mike will work with Joe to get the contract signed. Once that is signed, the IT team will work to give Daniel access to our site.

- Money Allocation for LPNC Convention.
Money was allocated during the Convention Committee report.

New Business:

- Mac Browder lets the Executive Committee know that the LPNC and Mecklenburg LP will be tabling a gun show in Concord on February 25th and 26th. Mac will get more chamber flags and an LPNC tablecloth for tabling.

Adjournment at 9:03 PM EST.

Submitted, Ryan Brown, Secretary