

Libertarian Party of Wisconsin Executive Committee
June 23, 2014
Go To Meeting

Meeting called to order by the Chair.
Present, according to the roll call:
Chair Ehlers
Secretary Maas
3rd District: Bradshaw
4th District: Morgan
7th District: Burke
8th District Alternate: Troy
guest: Andy Craig from Wisconsin Liberty Coalition

Missing:
Vice Chair Kexel (3rd shift)
Treasurer Shidell
At Large Sponholz
At Large Stannard
1st District: Sewell
2nd District Augelli
5th District: Peterson
Past Chair: Gray

6 Present, 8 Absent. No quorum present.
The Chair observed that several members who requested online meetings to improve attendance did not attend.

Bylaws ARTICLE III -- Executive Committee

More than one-half (1/2) of the membership thereof shall constitute a quorum at all meetings for the transaction of business, except where a larger vote is required by Constitution.

Highlights of the minutes of the May meeting, posted in the Excom Group, read by Maas. There being no additions or corrections, approved as published.
Treasurer Shidell reported to Chair. \$2100 in the treasury. Phone solicitation almost done. One monthly donor.
There are no further solicitations or fund raisers planned, other than the annual dues drive at the end of the year.

Chair's Report

Energy Fair turned out well. More verbal support than expected. Many interactions and opportunities to introduce our gubernatorial candidate. Workers had lots of fun. Chair wished he had reached out to more of the membership to help.

Affiliates

Milwaukee didn't meet.

Racine will have fair booth.

Marathon County Meetup has lapsed.

Liberty Valley was in Roberts parade. County Fair and three parades coming up.

Coalition Report

Burke suggests holding an election night gathering in November. Asked Troy to help with venue.

Wants a central location. Eleven candidates on the ballot as Libertarians.

Old Business

Polling on inclusion in debates could cost more than \$600. Project dropped. Candidates could be excluded from debates unless they receive 10% in the polls or raise 1/2 \$ million. Debates could be considered a donation in kind to the Republicrats. Chair will reach out to Pangman (former Libertarian candidate for AG) to discuss our options.

Bit Coin wallet report by Craig.

Discovered problems with Bit Coin. Dropped for the Holhass phone solicitation.

Might want to add it to website donation options.

New Business

Reimbursement of convention delegates?

Chair suggested splitting the \$300 refund from brochure order declined among the delegates. Approved.

Facebook communications? Motion to give 60 day notice to Excom members of shutting down Yahoo Groups by Burke and Bradshaw. Discussion on comparison of Facebook and Yahoo Groups and forcing all Executive Committee members to obtain Facebook account.

Motion by Bradshaw and Troy to table motion until meeting with a quorum. Carried.

Chair discussed need to hire someone to finish the LPWI website. Discussion drifted to trashing existing site and having someone design a totally new in something other than Joomla. Bradshaw appointed to investigate and report back.

Chair looking for someone to serve as a volunteer and prospects coordinator. No volunteers.

Membership. Discussed advantages of switching from calendar year dues to the period between annual conventions. Maas suggested 12 months from payment of dues. Will be discussed further later.

Chair is looking at options to the 800 number for contacts. Maas suggested dropping it completely. Looking for more information on our phone contact for the next meeting.

Chair wants to have big turnout at Harvest Fest in Madison in October. Everyone urged to attend, especially for Sunday march to the Capitol.

Chair opened discussion about endorsing or allowing Scott Nobel [R] to join Liberty Coalition. Consensus was that Excom should not interfere with the Wisconsin Liberty Coalition activities.

Chair will be out of town and out of touch until August. Vice Chair will cover, according to the Bylaws.

ARTICLE II -- Duties of Officers

The Vice-Chair shall be the chief assistant to the Chair, performing such duties as the Chair may prescribe and having such powers as the Chair may delegate. The Vice-Chair shall serve as Acting Chair upon death, disability, resignation, or absence of the Chair until the Executive Committee appoints a new Chair.

Upcoming meetings include the 2nd Sunday in September and Harvest Fest in October.

There being no further business on the agenda, Maas moved, Troy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Maas, Secretary