Libertarian Party of Kentucky – State Executive Committee

Minutes, August 24, 2017 meeting, 9:00 p.m.

Call to order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairman Harlan Compton, Vice Chair Bryan Short, Secretary Chris Wiest, Treasurer Ken Moellman, Jr., D1: Dave Watson, D2: Chris Dillingham, D3: Matthew Linker, D4: Kyle Sweeney, At Large: Dan Hull. Absent: D6: Harney, At-Large: Gailey.

Motion to approve minutes as presented by Mr. Short. Second Mr. Moellman. Passed without objection.

The Treasurer gave his report.

Motion to increase the step 2 budget from \$15 to \$20 for correction with the Secretary of State and permit the Secretary to file same with the KY Secretary of State by Mr. Moellman. Second by Mr. Watson. Motion passed without objection.

Motion to amend the budget to permit Mailchimp from \$30 to \$40 per month and pay the post office box fee for \$60 per year by Mr. Moellman. Second by Mr. Watson. Motion passed without objection.

Motion by Mr. Wiest, to authorize the Chair to file an Open Records Request for the voter data, and, in the event that fails, to file appropriate legal action and for the payment of court costs not to exceed \$500. Second by Mr. Moellman.

Voting Aye: Compton, Short, Wiest, Moellman, Watson, Dillingham, Linker, Sweeney. Abstain: Hull.

Motion by Mr. Sweeney to authorize disbursement to the affiliate parties. Second by Mr. Hull. Mr. Sweeney moved to table the discussion of this motion until after the bylaws portion of the agenda. Second by Mr. Moellman. Motion to table passed without objection.

The Vice Chair gave his report for the Membership report.

Motion to appoint David Patterson to the Membership Committee. Second by Mr. Watson. Motion passed without objection.

The Secretary gave the State Elections Committee report.

The Secretary gave the Rules Committee report.

The bylaws were presented. **Mr. Wiest made a motion to adopt the bylaws, as presented by the Rules Committee today via electronic mail.** Second by Mr. Sweeney. **Mr. Moellman made a motion to table the bylaws until the next stated meeting.** Second by Mr. Short. A roll call vote was held on the motion to table:

Aye: Short, Moellman, Mr. Watson, Linker, Hull;

No: Wiest, Dillingham, Sweeney, Compton; Motion carries 5-4.

The Treasurer gave the IT Committee report.

Ms. Kendrick gave the Events Committee.

Motion by Mr. Short to accept 9 wooden porcupines from Josh Brotherton as an in-kind donation in lieu of 2018 annual dues upon completion and delivery of the 9 items and run one year from that date. Second by Mr. Hull. Motion carries without objection.

The District Committee Chairs/representatives gave their reports.

Mr. Sweeney addressed the issue he had with a letter the Membership Committee sent to one of their members.

The Motion to authorize disbursement to the affiliate parties was recalled to the floor. Mr. Sweeney moved to amend to handle per the previous disbursement system. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Moellman made a motion to amend to split the disbursements \$10, \$10, \$10 between State, District, and County. No disbursements occur if there is no county party. Second by Dillingham.

On the motion to amend:

Aye: Moellman, Watson, Dillingham, Linker, Compton

No: Sweeney, Wiest Abstain: Hull Mr. Short had left the call prior to the calling of this vote.

Motion carries 5-2-1.

On the main motion, as amended:

Motion to table until after the bylaws are voted upon by Mr. Sweeney. Second Hull. Motion to table, passed without objection.

Motion to adopt the statement by Mr. Moellman in support of the Take Back Kentucky initiative. Second by Mr. Watson. Mr. Sweeney made an amendment to remove the language "without due process of law." Second by Mr. Hull. Motion to amend passed without objection.

Statement, as adopted:

WHEREAS the right to defend oneself from aggression is an inalienable right;

WHEREAS the there is no better defense than self-defense;

WHEREAS the right to self-defense is commonly being denied without Due Process;

WHEREAS criminals do not obey laws, and thus laws that abridge freedom only benefit criminals;

The Libertarian Party of Kentucky hereby calls upon the Kentucky General Assembly, to put to the voters of the Commonwealth the issue of a Constitutional Amendment to Section 7 of the Kentucky Bill of Rights, to permanently enshrine the right of all free Kentuckians to provide for themselves the means to defend themselves against aggression, and that any abridgment of this right shall not occur.

Motion to adopt the statement, as amended, passed without objection.

Mr. Wiest raised the issue of the Contract with Kentucky to be addressed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Minutes presented to Executive Committee for approval at its meeting: Sept. 14, 2017

Minutes adopted: Sept. 14, 2017

Official:

Harlen Compton