

Libertarian National Committee meeting
November 17-18, 2012
Arlington, Virginia

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Mr. Neale called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. (EST).

Members in attendance:

Officers: Geoff Neale (chair), Lee Wrights (vice chair), Ruth Bennett (secretary), Tim Hagan (treasurer)

At-large representatives: Michael Cloud, Bill Redpath

Regional representatives: Norm Olsen (Region 1), Vicki Kirkland (Region 2), Jillian Mack (Region 3), Brett Pojunis (Region 4), Dan Wiener (Region 4), Rich Tomasso (Region 5N), Jim Lark (Region 5S), Dianna Visek (Region 6)

Regional alternates: Scott Lieberman (Region 4), David Blau (Region 5N), Scott Spencer (Region 5S), Paul Frankel (Region 7)

At-large representatives Starchild and Arvin Vohra joined the meeting following the call to order. Region 7 representative John Jay Myers did not attend the meeting.

Staff members present included Carla Howell (executive director) and Robert Kraus (operations director).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Moulton, chair of the Libertarian Party of Virginia, welcomed the Committee to Virginia. He indicated that LPVA secretary Marc Montoni requests that the LP purchase information for our database that specifies the political jurisdictions (federal, state, and local) in which our members live.

CREDENTIALS REPORT

Ms. Bennett reported that at-large representative Wayne Root had resigned from the Committee. She noted that she had distributed to the Committee the application letters/resumes received from those nominating themselves for the position.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Neale distributed two versions of the proposed agenda. The first version was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Policy Manual. The second version was prepared in a manner

that he considered best suited for the tasks of reviewing, amending, and passing a budget.

Dr. Lieberman moved for a five-minute recess in order to review the different agenda versions and documents; the motion passed.

The meeting resumed at 8:14 a.m. Starchild joined the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Mr. Redpath moved to adopt the Version 2 agenda as the version for consideration and then consider amendments to that version; the motion passed.

Mr. Pojunis moved to extend time on this matter for 10 minutes; there was an objection. Mr. Redpath moved to extend for 5 minutes; the motion passed.

Mr. Pojunis moved to extend Mr. Hagan's agenda item by 15 minutes; there was an objection. The motion passed.

Mr. Olsen said that he has a budget request related to his motion on "cloud membership," and would like its consideration to follow the Building Fund Committee report. There was no objection to moving consideration of the matter.

Mr. Hagan moved to allocate 15 minutes to receive a report from the Presidential campaign at the time certain of 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. The motion passed.

A motion to remove the item "Lease Option" under New Business passed. Mr. Wrights moved to extend time on the Agenda for 5 minutes; the motion passed.

Mr. Pojunis moved to include a discussion for 10 minutes on "data cleansing," to follow discussion of "cloud membership." The motion passed.

Starchild moved that all guests be able to participate in all discussions. Mr. Neale ruled the motion out of order.

The motion to adopt the agenda as amended passed.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mr. Cloud announced that he will be working on a new "Project Archimedes," and so he may have potential conflicts of interest. Mr. Pojunis and Ms. Mack have a potential conflict of interest as they have started a company (Big L Solutions) that is a vendor to the LNC.

Ms. Bennett distributed a Conflict of Interest form and asked all members and alternates to complete the form and submit it to her for the Conflict of Interest notebook.

FILLING THE AT-LARGE VACANCY

Starchild moved that all voters sign their ballots. The motion passed 9 to 7. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Kirkland, Lark, Neale, Starchild, and Wrights

Voting “nay”: Mack, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, and Wiener

Mr. Olsen moved that we allow anyone here to speak in favor for a nominee for At-Large. Since there are no such representatives the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Redpath moved that all candidates present be allowed to speak for two minutes. The motion passed without objection.

Gary Johnson of Texas, Mark Hinkle, Paul Frankel, Marc Feldman, and David Blau all spoke to their qualifications for the At-Large position.

Mr. Cloud moved that we extend time on this matter by 10 minutes. There was an objection; the motion to extend passed.

Starchild moved that LNC members have 5 minutes to ask questions; the motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Vohra joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Neale requested that each member write the following on a piece of paper: Ballot 1, the member’s name, and the candidate for whom the member is voting. The votes were as follows:

Voting for Blau: Mack, Olsen, Pojunis, Tomasso, Visek, and Wiener

Voting for Frankel: Starchild

Voting for Hinkle: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Kirkland, Lark, Redpath, and Vohra

Voting for Johnson: Hagan and Wrights

Since no candidate received a majority, a second ballot was instituted.

Mr. Redpath moved that we drop Mr. Johnson and Mr. Frankel from the ballot; there was no objection.

The second ballot used the same method as the first; Mr. Hinkle received a majority and was thus elected. The initial votes were as follows:

Voting for Hinkle: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Kirkland, Lark, Redpath, Starchild, and Vohra

Voting for Blau: Mack, Olsen, Pojunis, Tomasso, Visek, Wiener, and Wrights

After the vote totals were announced, Mr. Neale indicated that he had not voted, but wished to record a vote for Mr. Hinkle. Starchild objected; Mr. Neale overruled the objection.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Neale requested that part of his report be heard in executive session, in order to discuss employment issues. After discussion, there was consensus to receive the secretary's report and treasurer's report, and then enter executive session following a break.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ms. Bennett reported that there had been two email ballots since the LNC last met. The first was:

Moved that we fill the At-large vacancy as follows:

Self-nominations are currently open. An additional announcement will be sent to the State Chairs list. Nominations are closed as of OCT 5, 2012.

Each nominee is encouraged to submit a one page "application" to the Chair and the Secretary to include:

- Name**
- Address**
- Telephone number/s**
- Email address/es**
- Year joined the National LP and member number**
- Any Party offices - national or state - ever held**
- Any candidacies for public office**
- Any potential conflicts of interest**
- An acknowledgment that all travel expenses are the responsibility of the nominee**

All applications must be received by the Secretary and the Chair by OCT 5, 2012

Additional resumes or CVs may be included. The Secretary shall distribute nominee information as received. The Secretary will make available an instant run-off voting procedure no later than OCT 6, 2012. Balloting will end on OCT 16, 2012.

Motion made by Ruth E. Bennett and co-sponsored by Michael Cloud, Tim Hagan and Vicki Kirkland. The email ballot start date was 9/21/12, and the end date was 10/1/12.

The motion failed 6 to 9. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Hagan, Myers, Redpath, and Wrights

Voting "nay": Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener.

The second email ballot was a motion to change the LNC Policy Manual by Mr. Tomasso.

Rich Tomasso moved:

The LNC Policy Manual, page 24, the third paragraph of section 2.02 (2) be amended as follows:

"The ASC shall deliver a report to the LNC on November 4st10th of each year, identifying and prioritizing those needs and interests of the various affiliates. This ranked list shall be taken into consideration when drawing up the following year's budget, and throughout the year as needed. This list will also assist the Executive Director in deciding how to assign tasks to staff, by identifying those services that staff provides to the affiliates that are the most desired."

Co-sponsored by Arvin Vohra, Daniel Wiener, Vicki Kirkland and Brett Pojunis. The email ballot start date was 10/11/12, and the end date was 10/21/2012.

The motion passed 16 to 0. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Hagan, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Myers, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

There were no "nay" votes.

Ms. Visek expressed a concern about tardy and incomplete minutes. After discussion, Dr. Lark volunteered to assist Ms. Bennett in her effort to submit all required materials no later than December 1, 2012.

Mr. Olsen noted that the draft minutes of the July meeting contains an error. Specifically, during the July meeting he moved the following:

The Committee as a whole hereby requests that the Chair instruct staff to prepare for presentation at the November 2012 LNC meeting no fewer than 4 leasing proposals as best choices to replace the expiring Watergate lease. At least one of the proposals shall represent a legitimate leasing proposal for property in a metropolitan area other than Washington, DC which hosts an airport that serves as a hub for at least one major airline.

Mr. Olsen indicated that the motion passed by a vote of 8 to 7 (with 1 abstention); however, the draft minutes indicated that the motion had failed. After discussion there was no objection to the secretary correcting the draft minutes regarding this matter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Hagan presented the Treasurer's Report. He seeks some guidance as to who should have access to our QuickBooks files. The Audit Committee has yet to choose a chair. Mr. Neale ruled that all requests for data should come from the chair of the Audit Committee. Mr. Hinkle asked why any Audit Committee member should need to see the records since their duty is to hire an auditor. Ms. Visek requested that Aaron Starr, a member of the Audit Committee, have access.

Mr. Starr explained that in order to fulfill their obligations, Audit Committee members must have access to review figures and statements to ensure compliance with LNC policies. Also, District of Columbia law requires that board members have full access to their organization's records. It was noted that as a past member of the Audit Committee, Mr. Starr has had access to the records.

Mr. Neale asked that members of the Audit Committee come up with language for the Policy Manual to reflect that all members of the Audit Committee sign non-disclosure/confidentiality statements and then be given appropriate access to QuickBooks.

A motion to approve a recess for ten minutes was approved without objection. Following the recess, Mr. Neale requested that the Committee enter executive session to consider staff matters; after discussion, there was no objection to entering executive session.

The Committee entered executive session at 11:14 a.m. and rose from executive session at 11:54 a.m. After discussion, there was consensus to recess for lunch and resume at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Pojunis moved to consider the "Double the LP" report at 3:00 p.m. There was objection; after discussion, the motion passed.

BUDGET

Mr. Hagan presented the proposed 2013 budget. Ms. Visek requested that more information be sent out earlier so that LNC members will have more time to absorb the information.

The Market Aces presentation was moved to 3:30 p.m. without objection

There was no objection to moving **Staff Reports** to after **Discuss and Define Final Budget Factors**.

GOALS AND STRATEGIES

On November 16, there was an informal meeting (led by Mr. Neale) of interested LNC members and others to discuss goals and strategies. Some of the outcomes of the meeting are as follows:

It was decided that our Goal, our reason for being, is to **Advance Liberty**. Our Mission is plainly laid out in our Bylaws which states:

Article 3: Purposes

The Party is organized to implement and give voice to the principles embodied in the Statement of Principles by: functioning as a libertarian political entity separate and distinct from all other political parties or movements; moving public policy in a libertarian direction by building a political party that elects Libertarian to public office; chartering affiliate parties throughout the United States and promoting their growth and activities; nominating candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, and supporting Party and affiliate party candidates for political office; and, entering into public information activities.

In addition, there were a number of things suggested that we could do but we did not come to conclusions or a final report. Some of these ideas are:

1) Developing, in collaboration with Affiliates, a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with an opt-in

2) Crowd funding raising for project-based donations. The domain names LibertarianAngels.com and LibertarianAngels.org have been purchased. This idea is to allow donors to propose projects and allow funding “angels” to fund them. There should be little, if any budgetary impact.

3) An outreach advertising campaign to take people to a site that is not lp.org. This will be called UmightB a Libertarian if The domains UmightB.com and UmightB.org have been purchased. This will be a collaborative effort to engage our members and others to help voters start self-identifying as Libertarians. The suggestion is to put ads around the Stossel program on cable TV. These spots are currently \$350 per 15 second ad. There should be a minimum budget impact as we will seek funding from individuals willing to purchase ads.

4) Set up a self-funded Legal “Offense” Fund

Mr. Wiener moved the following:

The Libertarian National Committee approves the following four self-funded projects:

1. Creation of an opt-in Affiliate Service Level Agreement
2. Creation of a crowd fund raising website for project based donations.
3. Creation of an advertising effort to encourage people to self-identify as Libertarians.
4. Creation of a legal offense fund.

Starchild moved to divide the question; the motion failed.

The motion passed 16 to 2, with two abstentions. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener

There were no “nay” votes.

Abstentions: Lark, Wrights

REPORT OF LEGAL COUNSEL

LNC general counsel Gary Sinawski joined the meeting by speaker phone. Mr. Redpath asked about the failure of our legal efforts to place the Johnson/Gray ticket on the Michigan ballot. Mr. Sinawski said that we drew a hostile judge and the higher state courts ruled against us. He noted that we have appealed the case to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals; he believes we should prevail eventually. The

issue is the Michigan “sore loser” law; we believe this law should not apply to presidential candidates.

BALLOT ACCESS REPORT

Mr. Redpath reported that following the 2012 elections, we have ballot status in 29 states and D.C. This is the best post-election situation in our history; the results will save the LP hundreds of thousands of dollars. The LNC and the Johnson campaign combined to spend \$572,726 on ballot access during this campaign.

He said that states must step up to do their own petitioning or raise the money to pay petitioners. Funding for petitioning should not be the responsibility of the LNC or the presidential campaign.

He said that some petitioners have not yet been paid; the Johnson campaign was to have paid them, but has not done so. The total owed is \$14,555.43. Mr. Redpath moved that the LNC pay these petitioners. The motion passed without objection.

Ms. Visek moved to extend time on this issue for 5 minutes. There was no objection.

Mr. Olsen asked whether Mr. Redpath has established a Ballot Access Committee; Mr. Redpath said that he has not. Ms. Visek urged Mr. Redpath to share his knowledge and train others, and to think strategically for future ballot access. In particular, she suggested using a legal “offense” strategy to work for better ballot access laws.

Mr. Redpath moved to amend the budget to increase the Ballot Access line item to \$382,000. The motion passed 14 to 2, with one abstention.

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Cloud, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener

Voting “nay”: Olsen and Starchild

Abstention: Frankel

Mr. Frankel indicated that he abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Ms. Visek moved to extend time for 5 minutes to populate a Ballot Access Committee. The motion failed.

Mr. Hinkle moved to extend time for 5 minutes to inquire about the status of the LNC’s lawsuit against the FEC regarding the Barrington estate; the motion was approved. (The LNC position is that the LP should be able to receive the entire amount of a bequest immediately, rather than receiving a yearly payment limited to the maximum amount an individual may donate each year.) Mr. Redpath said that he has contacted Alan Gura (our attorney) concerning the lawsuit’s status.

Dr. Lark noted the work of Chuck Moulton (chair, Libertarian Party of Virginia) in helping to defend the presidential petitions of the Libertarian Party of Virginia and the Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania

against challenges. Mr. Redpath thanked Bob Johnston (chair, Libertarian Party of Maryland) for his work on ballot access.

Mr. Neale inquired whether there was objection to receiving reports on proposals for a new LP.org website and changing the time for the Affiliate Support Committee report; there was no objection.

Mr. Pojunis and Ms. Mack gave a presentation on a proposed new LP.org website.

Jared Fuller of Market Aces gave a presentation concerning services his firm can provide regarding the LP.org website and marketing.

The agenda was changed without objection to receive a presentation on DC real estate by two representatives of the commercial realty firm CBRE. The representatives answered questions concerning real estate costs and availability of suitable properties in DC and surrounding areas.

Mr. Blau, chair of the Building Fund Committee, said that of the 9 LNC members who answered the survey he distributed, 2 supported buying, 2 supported leasing, and 5 provisionally supported buying. He estimates that we need about \$330,000 for a down payment on the purchase of a headquarters building; the LNC has roughly \$115,000 in cash and roughly \$25,000 in pledges for this purpose.

He said that at current commercial interest rates (roughly 5%), monthly mortgage payments would be about \$4,500, compared to our current monthly rental payments of \$11,500. If the LNC were to make \$11,500 monthly payments, the principal could be repaid within the five-year term of a commercial mortgage.

Mr. Cloud moved that time be extended for 10 minutes. There was an objection; the motion to extend passed.

After discussion, the item **Affiliate Support Committee Report** was moved to follow **Presentation and Action on Final Draft Budget** on Sunday.

Mr. Olsen presented a project on “cloud” membership and an accompanying proposed motion. This is to make available to Affiliates a cloud based membership database with ease of access.

Ms. Mack moved to extend time for 5 minutes. There was no objection.

Mr. Olsen moved the following:

The Committee hereby determines that a basic cloud based membership list system shall be made available to any and all affiliates who choose to use it at no charge (or minimal charge) subject to the following restrictions:

- 1. The maximum number of actual membership entries maintained for any given affiliate at no charge (or minimal charge) to the affiliate shall not exceed 40 times the number of LNC Sustaining Members residing in the geographic region of the affiliate.*
- 2. The system will support a minimum of 25 concurrent users.*

3. *The system offered will support concurrent local (i.e. county) affiliate membership list management.*
4. *Current “monthly dump” functionality is included in the service provided.*
5. *The system shall remain available at existing terms of use to all affiliates choosing to use it for not less than 12 months after any decision to change the terms under which service is offered.*

The above to be supported by an allocation of \$16,000 for set-up and first six months operation from the general fund, and the terms of use by affiliates established such that compliance with FEC regulation is achieved. Upon adoption, it is implied that the Chair instruct staff to contract with a provider of such service and intermediate between the selected vendor and the affiliates choosing to use such service.

After discussion, there was consensus to defer discussion of this item until consideration of the budget.

Mr. Pojunis raised the issue of "data cleansing," a process implemented to remove incorrect address information and obtain current email addresses. (While several state affiliates send updated information to the LP office, evidently fewer than half of the affiliates send updates.) He noted that to update and correct information in our database would cost about \$20,000. He indicated that this is not a one-time cost; the updating must be done periodically.

Mr. Pojunis moved to extend time for 5 minutes. There was an objection; the motion to extend passed. After further discussion, there was consensus to adjourn the meeting and resume at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday.

The meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. on Sunday (Nov. 18).

Members in attendance:

Officers: Mr. Neale (chair), Mr. Wrights (vice chair), Ms. Bennett (secretary), Mr. Hagan (treasurer)

At-large representatives: Mr. Cloud, Mr. Hinkle, Mr. Redpath, Starchild, Mr. Vohra

Regional representatives: Mr. Olsen (Region 1), Ms. Kirkland (Region 2), Mr. Pojunis (Region 4), Mr. Wiener (Region 4), Mr. Tomasso (Region 5N), Dr. Lark (Region 5S), Ms. Visek (Region 6)

Regional alternates: Dr. Lieberman (Region 4), Mr. Blau (Region 5N), Mr. Spencer (Region 5S), Mr. Frankel (Region 7)

BUDGET

After discussion, there was consensus to allocate a total of 90 minutes for discussion of the remaining budget items.

Mr. Redpath moved to set budget revenue at \$1.12 million, with allocations to be determined by the

treasurer. Ms. Visek asked that Aaron Starr be permitted to express his opinions on our budget. Mr. Neale regarded the request as a motion.

Starchild moved to amend by allowing anyone to speak about the budget. His motion failed on a vote of 7 to 8, with 3 abstentions. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Frankel, Kirkland, Mack, Olsen, Starchild, and Wrights

Voting “nay”: Blau, Cloud, Hinkle, Lark, Lieberman, Pojunis, Redpath, and Visek

Abstentions: Hagan, Neale, and Vohra

Mr. Redpath moved to amend the main motion for Mr. Starr to speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. The motion to amend passed. The main motion to allow Mr. Starr to speak passed.

Ms. Bennett called the question on Mr. Redpath's motion to set an overall budget revenue amount at \$1.12 million as an overall spending goal. There was objection; the motion to close debate failed.

Mr. Cloud moved to extend discussion for two minutes to allow Mr. Starr to present historical budget information. There was an objection; the motion to extend passed. Mr. Starr indicated that in every post-election year, LNC revenues have dropped between 9% and 39%.

Mr. Redpath's motion to establish a total revenue line of \$1.12 million passed by a vote of 14 to 4. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Vohra, and Wrights.

Voting “nay”: Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, and Wiener

Mr. Redpath moved to adopt a budget with total expenses of no more than \$1.02 million. The motion passed on a vote of 17 to 1. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Pojunis, Redpath, Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights.

Voting “nay”: Olsen

A motion to recess briefly was approved without objection; the meeting resumed at 10:18 a.m.

Starchild moved that we cut \$6,000 from the line item for meetings and travel, specifically for food. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Redpath moved to allow Mr. Starr to address the body on the issue of cutting the expenses. There was objection; the motion passed.

Mr. Redpath moved to change Fundraising costs (Budget line 32) to \$152,600 and Membership

Fundraising costs (line 33) to \$105,000. (Lines refer to Statement of Operations – 2013 Budget, page 1)

Mr. Wiener moved to extend time by 1 hour. There was an objection; the motion to extend passed.

Mr. Wrights moved to call the question. There was an objection; the motion failed.

After discussion Mr. Wrights moved to close debate; the motion passed.

The vote on the Redpath motion to change Fundraising and Membership Fundraising costs failed on a vote of 5 to 10, with 3 abstentions. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Hagan, Neale, Olsen, Starchild, and Tomasso

Voting “nay”: Bennett, Frankel, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Redpath, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Abstentions: Cloud, Mack, and Pojunis

Mr. Hinkle moved to increase our revenue by \$43,250 to be allocated by the Treasurer.

Mr. Olsen moved that the motion be amended to additionally say that the budgeted surplus be changed to zero.

At 11:00 a.m. the Committee called Ron Nielson of the Johnson/Gray campaign to receive a report from the campaign. Mr. Nielson expressed the gratitude of the candidates to the LNC, and indicated that both Gov. Johnson and Judge Gray have expressed interest in seeking nomination again. Mr. Neale expressed the gratitude of the Committee for the great campaign run by the candidates.

Starchild asked Mr. Nielson about outstanding expenses. Mr. Nielson said that he is unaware of any expenses outstanding other than those he discussed with Mr. Redpath (which the LNC authorized \$14, 555.43 during Saturday's meeting to pay petitioners.)

Mr Pojunis asked whether the campaign has any resources (talent, not money) to help with the newly adopted legal offense strategy. Mr. Nielson indicated that the suit against the Debate Commission is proceeding. Also, the campaign will be operating a PAC called Our American Initiative to further our common goals.

Mr. Redpath asked whether Gov. Johnson was eligible to run for NM governor. Mr. Nielson said as far as he knows, governors can only serve two consecutive and that another governor served three non-consecutive terms.

Ms. Visek asked whether the LNC and the Libertarian Party can be more useful to the campaign. Mr. Nielson indicated that he would like to discuss that more in the future.

Dr. Lark inquired whether Gov. Johnson had plans to provide commentary to media organizations (perhaps in the role of columnist or commentator) following the election. Mr. Nielson indicated that the campaign team will endeavor to hold large rallies around the country beginning in 2013. He said that both Gov. Johnson and Judge Gray are willing to continue speaking, especially on college

campuses. Dr. Lark requested that as the LP campus coordinator, he would like to work with the candidates concerning college outreach.

Mr. Tomasso expressed his gratitude for all the campaign's hard work and informed Mr. Nielson that Region 5N got a number of new members because of the campaign. Mr. Tomasso also asked about the availability of the Governor for events. Mr. Nielson suggested calling Apollo, the scheduler for any events.

Ms. Mack asked whether there are ways to improve and help local and affiliate support for future candidates. Mr. Nielson said that he will spend some time thinking about the question and will come back to the LNC about how to help.

Mr. Wiener asked what the most important lessons we should take from the 2012 campaign. Mr. Nielson said that the Johnson/Gray campaign was successful traveling around and working with the grassroots. Where they were unsuccessful was in getting major media. Fundraising plays a big part in getting that media and we need to do more work in that arena.

Mr. Hinkle asked to know why and where media – radio and TV – buys were made. Mr. Nielson said that the number one goal of the campaign was to build grassroots organizations. Media purchases was a secondary goal. They are planning on posting additional information on their budget in the next couple of weeks. They spent about \$200,000 on media buys. They will be doing additional fundraising to supporters. Two TV ads were run on the war. That was on CNN and some local NBC affiliates. There was another on FOX focusing on getting 5% of the vote total.

Mr. Frankel asked whether there were things they would do more of or less of. Mr. Nielson said that the one thing was the money issues and he wishes they had tried some other avenues of fundraising and that traditional methods were not as productive as they wanted. Ballot Access is another huge hurdle and if they had more money they would have done a number of things differently.

Mr. Wrights thanked Mr. Nielson for kicking his (Wright's) ass! Mr. Wrights expressed his gratitude to the campaign, after which the call ended.

Mr. Neale proposed that we have food delivered and hold a working lunch. There was consensus that the Committee will recess until 11:50 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 11:58 a.m. Mr. Neale stated that the meeting room was available to us until 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Pojunis moved to call all pending questions. There was no objection.

The vote on Mr. Olsen's amendment to change the surplus to zero failed.

Mr. Hinkle's motion to increase revenue by \$43,250 passed by 12 to 6. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, and Tomasso

Voting “nay”: Hagan, Starchild, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Mr. Pojunis moved to review all new budget items and move them into the budget.

Mr. Redpath moved to substitute a consideration of the 30 non-zero line items in the budget. The motion to substitute passed and became the main motion. The main motion passed.

Starchild moved that we take up item 8140 Travel, Meeting & Meal Expense for first consideration. The motion failed.

Mr. Redpath moved that we jump to numbers 50-88 on the Summary Page of the Budget. The motion passed.

Mr. Redpath moved to extend time for 30 minutes. The motion passed.

Mr. Wiener moved to call the question. The motion passed. The main motion passed to reorder how we take up items under consideration to start with item numbers 50-88 from the Summary Page of the budget.

Item 50 Affiliate Support– there was no motion to decrease this item

Item 55 Brand Development – there was no motion to decrease this item

Item 75 Litigation – there was no motion to decrease this item

Item 80 Media – there was no motion to decrease this item

Item 85 Member Communication and Materials – Mr. Olsen moved to decrease this item by \$10,000. (This motion would cut the number of issues of *LPNews* per year.)

Dr. Lark moved to substitute for Mr. Olsen's motion: to make Item 85 a total of \$28,000. Mr. Wiener moved all previous questions; the motion passed.

The motion to substitute passed. The new main motion to change Item 85 to \$25,000 passed 12 to 5. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Bennett, Hagan, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Voting “nay”: Frankel, Hinkle, Kirkland, Starchild, and Tomasso

Mr. Redpath moved to change Item 88 Outreach \$12,200 to \$4,000.

Mr. Wiener moved to call the question; the motion passed. The vote on the main motion to cut Item 88 passed 13 to 5. The votes were as follows:

Voting “aye”: Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Voting “nay”: Bennett, Hinkle, Kirkland, Starchild, and Tomasso

Mr. Redpath moved to change Item 8110 from \$14,400 to \$10,000. The motion passed without objection.

Mr. Redpath moved to change Item 8120 to \$13,600 from \$14,100. The motion passed without objection.

Mr. Redpath moved that Item 8125 be reduced to \$10,200 from \$11,000. The motion passed without objection.

Starchild moved that Item 8140 be reduced to \$22,700 from \$27,200; the motion passed 15 to 3. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Redpath, Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Voting "nay": Hinkle, Olsen, and Pojunis

Mr. Frankel moved that we end line-by-line review and institute across-the-board cuts for all discretionary budget items.

Mr. Hinkle moved to substitute that we increase our revenue by \$143,000. Mr. Wiener moved to call all previous questions; the motion passed.

The motion to substitute failed by 5 to 11, with 2 abstentions. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hinkle, and Olsen

Voting "nay": Hagan, Lark, Mack, Neale, Pojunis, Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Abstention: Kirkland and Redpath

The vote on the main motion failed 2 to 16. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Starchild and Wrights

Voting "nay": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener

There was consensus to recess for ten minutes for lunch-related matters. The meeting resumed at 1:57 p.m.

Mr. Redpath moved that Item 8160 Insurance be decreased from \$11,600 to \$10,000. The motion passed without objection.

Mr. Redpath moved that the Committee go into executive session to discuss staff compensation. The

motion passed.

The Committee entered executive session at 2:10 p.m. The Committee rose from executive session at 2:38 p.m.

Mr. Redpath moved that we cut Item 7010 -20 Donor Renewal to \$37,900 from \$47,900. With the Committee's permission, Mr. Redpath withdrew his motion.

Mr. Redpath moved to adopt the budget as amended.

Mr. Vohra moved to substitute: That item 7030-10 be changed from \$36,700 to \$11,700. (The effect of this will be to have the website upgrade be self-funded.)

Starchild moved to change 7010-30; the motion failed to receive a second.

Mr. Redpath moved to close debate on all motions; the motion to close debate passed. The motion to substitute passed.

Mr. Vohra's motion passed 15 to 3. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Redpath, Starchild, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, Wiener, and Wrights

Voting "nay": Hinkle, Olsen, and Pojunis

Mr. Redpath moved to rescind the motion limiting expenses to \$1.02 million; the motion passed 16 to 1, with one abstention. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Olsen, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener

Voting "nay": Wrights

Abstention: Starchild

The resulting budget as amended is included as an appendix.

Mr. Redpath moved to adopt the budget as amended; the motion passed 15 to 3. The votes were as follows:

Voting "aye": Bennett, Cloud, Frankel, Hagan, Hinkle, Kirkland, Lark, Mack, Neale, Pojunis, Redpath, Tomasso, Visek, Vohra, and Wiener

Voting "nay": Olsen, Starchild, and Wrights

Starchild moved to substitute; the motion to substitute failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Neale inquired whether there was objection to removing the following items from the agenda: Motion to allow EC email ballots, dropping the LSLA report, Audit Committee, Executive Committee, discuss crowd funding, Convention Oversight. There was no objection.

Dr. Lark moved that the next LNC meeting be held on Feb. 23-24, 2013. Starchild moved to extend time by 5 minutes; there was no objection. Ms. Visek moved to substitute March 16-17, 2013. After discussion, there was no objection to holding the next LNC meeting on March 16-17, 2013.

Mr. Olsen moved that the meeting be held in Austin, Texas. After discussion the motion passed without objection.

After discussion there was consensus that the ad hoc Ballot Access Committee will consist of 3-5 members, with three members to be appointed by Mr. Neale. The committee members may appoint as many as two additional members; committee members will elect the committee chair. Mr. Neale appointed Mr. Redpath, Mr. Frankel and Ms. Visek.

Mr. Hinkle moved to suspend the rules to put an item on the agenda – to buy a headquarters building - for 30 minutes. The motion passed.

Mr. Blau moved the following:

To approve the purchase of an office in the greater Washington, DC area, contingent on the following conditions:

- ***A minimum of 33% of the purchase price plus build-out shall be raised from dedicated contributions. If a portion of that is in the form of pledges, the pledges must be converted to cash before a purchase contract and loan agreement are finalized.***
- ***Any loan must be based on a minimum of a 30% down payment and a loan with options extending for a minimum of 10 years before a final balloon payment becomes due.***
- ***The unrestricted general fund balance specified in the most recent financial statement must exceed \$167,000 before a purchase contract and loan agreement are finalized.***
- ***A 2/3 majority of the LNC must approve the specific terms of the purchase contract and loan agreement on an up-or-down vote.***
- ***Additional payments towards the principal loan balance of at least \$60,000 per year above the minimum loan requirement must be made, with this requirement structured so that future LNC bodies cannot easily circumvent it. These payments shall be in the form of an additional \$5,000 per month paid out of the general fund, but reimbursable from dedicated building fund contributions.***

Mr. Olsen moved to postpone this motion to the next LNC meeting; after discussion the motion failed.

Ms. Bennett moved to amend the motion by adding the following: The new building shall be named the David F. Nolan Headquarters Building. The motion passed without objection.

Dr. Lark suggested that it would be better to postpone consideration of the motion, and that it would be appropriate to hold a mail ballot. After discussion, Ms. Visek moved to postpone this motion and take

it up as a mail ballot; the motion passed without objection.

Mr. Neale asked whether there is objection to removing the Staff Report from the agenda; there was no objection.

The LP contract with “Double the LP” contract has a cancellation clause which must be exercised by December 31, 2012, if desired. Ms. Mack and Mr. Pojunis demonstrated the “Double the LP” project.

Ms. Visek moved to extend debate for 5 minutes. There was no objection.

Mr. Neale asked for permission to extend the contract with “Double the LP”. Mr. Hinkle moved that the Chair be given permission to extend the contract; the motion passed.

After discussion Mr. Wrights indicated that it was not necessary to present a report from the Advertising & Publications Review Committee.

Dr. Lark suggested that regional representatives provide brief updates to their reports; the following updates were provided:

- Ms. Kirkland reported that the 2013 Libertarian Party of Florida convention will take place on Memorial Day weekend in Naples, Florida.
- Mr. Tomasso reported that there are several local elections next spring, and that New Jersey legislative elections will take place next fall. He suggested that LNC members read the report of the Connecticut state chair regarding petitioning and a proposed contract with petitioners.
- Mr. Olsen reported that he will have additional information on Montana and Kansas. He mentioned that referenda approving recreational use of marijuana passed in Washington and Colorado, and that a “Top Two” initiative was defeated in Arizona.
- Mr. Wiener reported that Libertarian Party voter registration in California had increased significantly in the last months before the election. This means that the Libertarian Party of California may not need to finance a voter registration drive to retain presidential ballot status.
- Dr. Lark reported that Marc Montoni, secretary of the Libertarian Party of Virginia, has requested that the LNC purchase more detailed voter information to incorporate into our membership database.
- Mr. Pojunis reported that the Libertarian Party of Arkansas received more votes this year than in the previous 22 years combined.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Cloud reported that 45 of 46 Romney operatives informed him that Gov. Johnson was a real consideration in the election.

Starchild announced that Wes Wagner of the Libertarian Party of Oregon is hoping to have a Libertarian Leadership meeting in Las Vegas sometime in April.

Mr. Tomasso announced that he has designed some new brochures, and that interested parties should contact him for copies or more information.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Moulton, Libertarian Party of Virginia chair, said that the LPVA members who participated in the Saturday evening dinner enjoyed interacting with the LNC members in attendance.

Andy Jacobs stated that some petitioners have been waiting several weeks for payment. He said he has advanced money to a number of petitioners and needs to be paid. Mr. Neale expressed the Committee's gratitude to the petitioners and committed to paying the petitioners this week.

Mr. Wrights moved to adjourn; there was no objection. The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

First draft by Ruth E. Bennett, LNC Secretary, May 2012 - January 2013

Interim draft by Jim Lark, LNC Secretary Pro Tem

Final draft by Alicia Mattson

Cumulative LNC Potential Conflicts of Interest
(from previous lists and signed forms November 2012)

Ruth E. Bennett

No Conflicts

David Blau

Chair of Libertarian Party of Massachusetts
Massachusetts Johnson Campaign Coordinator

Audrey Capozzi

(no information)

Michael Cloud

Paid vendor to the LNC writing fundraising letters
Will be working on a new version of Project Archimedes
President of the Center for Small Government
Works with Advocates for Self-Government

Paulie Frankel

Paid/volunteer ballot access petitioner for LP and other alternative party and independent candidates
Volunteer Reporter for *Independent Political Report* and other online outlets

Sam Goldstein

Chair of the Libertarian Party of Indiana

Tim Hagan

No Conflicts

Mark Hinkle

No conflicts

Vicki Kirkland

No conflicts

Michael Knebel

(no information)

Jim Lark

Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Advocates for Self-Government
Member of the Board of Advisors for Students For Liberty
Chairman, Student Libertarian Alumni Committee
Secretary of the Board of Directors of the International Society for Individual Liberty.
Vice-Chair of Libertarian Party of Virginia

Scott Lieberman

No conflicts

Jillian Mack

Co-Founder of Young Libertarian National Alliance

Co-Founder of Big L Solution which consults with Libertarian organizations such as state parties, candidates, local parties.

Finance Director of the LP of Ohio

Publicly elected Central Committee member of the LPOH

Elected Executive Committee of the LPOH

Involved with GoLibertarian.com

Involved with GoLP.com

John Jay Myers

Owner of Clear Sky 24, a vendor to the LP

Geoff Neale

No conflicts

Norm Olsen

No conflicts

Brett Pojunis

Co-Founder/Chair of Young Libertarian National Alliance

Co-Founder of Big L Solutions Inc -"We represent state parties that will change from time to time."

Involved with GoLibertarian.com

Involved with GoLP.com

Bill Redpath

Treasurer of FairVote (formerly the Center for Voting and Democracy)

Treasurer of Citizens in Charge Foundation

Ballot Access Coordinator for Libertarian Party of Virginia

Tony Ryan

(no information)

Richard Schrade

(no information)

Scott Spencer

No conflicts

Starchild

At-Large member of the LPCA Executive Committee

"I have a potential conflict of interest between my support for the Libertarian Party and my support for the larger libertarian movement, in that if something is against the interests of the movement, but in the interests of the Party, I will tend to put the movement first, because the larger cause of freedom."

Rich Tomasso

Chair of the LP of New Hampshire
Media Representative for the Free State Project

Dianna Visek

Legislative Director of the Libertarian Party of Illinois

Arvin Vohra

“My business, Arvin Vohra Education, uses Market Aces for graphic design” a potential LNC vendor
Member of the Libertarian Party of Maryland Executive Board

Dan Wiener

No conflicts

Lee Wrights

President of Foundation For a Free Society (TX)
Senate District Rep to the Texas LP Central Committee

APPENDICES

MEMORANDUM

TO: Libertarian National committee
FROM: Gary Sinawski
DATE: November 12, 2012
SUBJECT: Counsel's Report

Introduction

This report summarizes my work as general counsel to the LNC since July 13, 2012, the date of my previous report. The report is not privileged and confidential, as it simply relates facts and does not constitute legal advice. It may be disclosed to other members of the Libertarian Party, in your discretion.

General

I have reviewed documents and correspondence, responded to questions, and provided legal advice and assistance on a variety of matters, including the following: reviewed a proposed contract between the LNC, the party's presidential and vice presidential candidates and their campaign committee; worked on the party's efforts to defeat challenges to Gary Johnson's ballot access in Iowa, Ohio and Virginia; provided advice on unique ballot access issues in Connecticut and New Hampshire; reviewed and revised a contract between the LNC and Big L Solutions regarding the party's "Double the LP" campaign; intervened with various state and local officials regarding restrictions on petitioning in public and quasi-public areas.

Litigation

Libertarian Party of Michigan, et al. v. Secretary of State - This action was commenced on June 25, 2012 in federal district court in Detroit seeking declaratory and injunctive relief from the secretary of state's refusal to place Gary Johnson on the November general election ballot on the ground that he was listed on Michigan's Republican presidential primary ballot and was therefore barred from the November ballot by the state's "sore loser" law. I represent the plaintiffs along with Professor Mark Brown of Capital University Law School. The district court denied our motion for a preliminary injunction. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit declined to reverse the district court's decision. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to grant emergency review. To date we have written and filed 11 briefs in this case, all on an expedited basis. The litigation will continue, and I am optimistic about eventually winning on the merits.

Libertarian Party of Virginia and Green Party of Virginia, et al. v. Judd, et al. - This lawsuit against the members of the Virginia State Board of Elections was researched, prepared and ready to file in U.S. District Court in Richmond. However, we were unable to find a member of the bar of that court who was willing to sign on as local counsel. The lawsuit sought credit for signatures obtained during the statutory petitioning period, but before some of the presidential elector candidates named on the petition forms were disqualified by late redistricting. The lawsuit also, or alternatively, sought a reduction in the signature requirement commensurate with the effective reduction in the petitioning period caused by late redistricting. Ultimately, enough valid signatures were obtained to gain access to the ballot without litigating these issues.

Libertarian Party of Illinois, et al. v. Illinois State Board of Elections, et al. This action was commenced on April 5, 2012 in federal district court in Chicago seeking declaratory and injunctive relief from Illinois' June 25th filing deadline for petitions to form a new party; an ambiguity relating to the calculation of signature requirements; and a requirement that a candidate for statewide or countywide office be part of a full slate of candidates for state or county offices. Subsequently I discontinued our challenge regarding the signature requirements because, while the applicable statutes are disorganized and confusing, the signature requirements themselves are not ambiguous. The state made a motion to dismiss the case, and I prepared and filed a brief opposing the motion. The court declined to dismiss the case, ruling that the filing deadline is probably constitutional but that the "full slate" requirement is probably unconstitutional. I am very optimistic about prevailing on that issue. The state has served us with interrogatories (written questions) and document requests, which we are responding to.

Libertarian Party of Ohio, et al. v. Husted, et al. - This action was commenced in August 2011 in federal district court in Columbus challenging the constitutionality of a new ballot access law which requires an inordinately high number of petition signatures to be filed needlessly early in the election cycle. The plaintiffs are represented by local counsel Mark Brown and me. I handled two prior cases for the LP against the Ohio Secretary of State, one of which was decided in 2006 and the other in 2008, both of which invalidated similar high signature/early deadline petitioning requirements. The issues in this case do not differ appreciably from the issues in the 2006 and 2008 cases. On September 7 and October 18, 2011 the court issued orders granting our motion for a preliminary injunction and directing that the LP of Ohio and its candidates be listed on the ballot for the November 2011 and November 2012 elections. The litigation is still in process.

Libertarian Party, et al. v. District of Columbia Board of Elections and Ethics, et al. - This action was commenced in August 2009 seeking to require the District to count the votes cast for each write-in candidate for a particular office rather than publishing a single vote total for all write-in candidates for that office, which is the

current practice. I represent the plaintiffs along with local counsel Oliver Hall. The defendant filed a motion to dismiss. Mr. Hall and I prepared a response to that motion along with a cross motion for summary judgment. At the suggestion of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit we submitted the case to (non-binding) mediation, which was unproductive. The district court decided the motions against us, and the the court of appeals affirmed the district court's decision. We filed a brief requesting reconsideration of the court of appeals' affirmance on the grounds that it overlooks relevant Supreme Court decisions and contains important factual errors. The court denied our request, and the U.S. Supreme Court subsequently denied our petition for review. This litigation is now concluded.

Conclusion

If you have any questions about this report or would like to discuss it further, please contact me at 516-971-7783 or at gsinawski@aol.com.

LIBERTARIAN PARTY BALLOT ACCESS REPORT

Libertarian National Committee meeting

Arlington, Virginia

November 17-18, 2012

Dear Colleagues:

If we lived in a nation with just election laws, we wouldn't have to pursue ballot access. Unfortunately, that is not the case. The following memo states where we now are, and what we need to do to at least acquire Presidential ticket ballot access in all states in which we currently do not have such status for 2012.

I want to thank Bob Johnston, LP of Maryland Chair and an Independent Contractor to the LNC, for his work in contacting various state parties and their Chairs, and Richard Winger for his assistance in updating this report.

I will be delivering an oral report about 2012 petitioning at the LNC meeting and will entertain questions then.

After Election Day 2012, we have ballot access for our Presidential ticket in 2012 in the following 29 states (plus DC): AK, AZ, CA, CO, DE, FL, GA, ID, IN, KS, LA, MD, MI, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NM, NC, OH, OR, SC, SD, TX, UT, WV, WI & WY. This assumes that all paperwork will be filed on a timely basis.

Here are the ballot access actions that we can potentially take going forward. Possible expenses are estimates of LNC expenditures.

AL: Assuming we don't want to undertake the party petition (43,146 sigs), there is a 5,000 sig Independent petition for President that can be done after the 2016 convention.

There is a lawsuit pending regarding party petitions in AL, and we should wait to see the results of this litigation. Lobbying should also be tried. A ballot access reform bill got through the AL Senate earlier this year that would have cut the number of sigs needed for a party petition in half passed the AL Senate.

AR: To get our party status back will take a 10,000 valid sig petition drive, but it has to be completed within a 90 day window of our choosing. The Green Party has a legislator in AR and the LPAR should lobby with the Greens to try to change AR ballot access law.

CT: 7,500 valid sig petition drive for Presidential ticket can start on 1/1/2016.

Retention: All office-by-office. We retained ballot access for US Senate. Richard Winger suggests lobbying to change ballot access to 1% for any statewide race.

HI: The LP lost ballot access in November 2012. 705 valid sig petition completed by February 2014 is needed to regain ballot access. I have been in contact with Jim Henshaw, LPHI Chair, and will be working with him on this petition drive.

IA: 1,500 valid sig petition drive. Should be handled by the LPIA, although it was not entirely this time. Retention: 2% for top of ticket. Presidential signatures are due in August 2016. Presidential substitution is allowed.

IL: There will be a 25,000 valid sig petition drive from late March to late June 2014 for Governor and other statewide offices. It should be noted that the LNC spent over \$100,000 for paid signatures in 2012 in IL. The 2012 volunteer petition drive produced only about 1,500 gross signatures, according to Lex Green.

There was a bill in the last session of the Illinois legislature to change the law to allow filing fees instead of sigs, and we should pursue that with Christina Tobin.

KY: 5,000 valid sig petition drive. Presidential signatures due September 2016. Retention: 2% only for President. Richard Winger is urging the LPKY to lobby for a bill that defines a political party in KY as one with 1,000 voter registrations.

MA: We will need a 10,000 valid sig petition drive for the Presidential ticket. Substitution not allowed in MA. Deadline: July 31, 2016. Retention: 3% for any statewide race, or registration of 1% of total numbers of registered voters.

I will speak with Dave Blau, LPMA Chair, regarding working with Dan Winslow, a member of the MA House, on ballot access reform legislation.

ME: 4,000 valid sig petition drive in 2016. No substitution allowed. We should start immediately after the Presidential ticket is nominated.

Democrats now control both houses of the ME legislature, and we should be lobbying for ballot access reform legislation now.

MN: 2,000 valid sigs for Independent petition for President. This should be handled by the LPMN, although they need outside financial help in 2012 to get this done. Retention: 5% for any statewide race. Party petition is about 100,000 valid sigs. That law is 99 years old and no one has ever used that procedure to get on the ballot in MN. Possible candidate for litigation, but Richard Winger thinks other ballot access cases should be decided first.

NH: The LPNH did not obtain party status in 2012. The party petition in 2011 and 2012 required 13,698 valid sigs. Retention: 4% for Governor or US Senate. Richard Winger recommends lobbying to try to reduce that figure to 2%, which would have allowed us to retain ballot access.

NJ: 800 valid sigs for our Presidential ticket in 2016. Hopefully, the LPNJ can get this done themselves in 2016. The LNC expended \$500 in 2016 to help get the LPNJ petition drive done.

NY: There will be a 15,000 valid sig petition for our statewide candidates (including Governor) in 2014. Our Governor candidate in 2010, Warren Redlich, received 48,386 votes for Governor. 50,000 votes are needed to retain ballot status for the next four years.

ND: We could start at any time a 7,000 valid sig petition drive for party status. Richard Winger has spoken with Eric Olson, who ran for US House in ND this year. The LPND is having a meeting on Sunday, November 18, and they are looking for sponsors of bills to improve ballot access in ND.

OK: The OK litigation is ongoing. If we win, it would create a situation like Ohio, where we would have to show a modicum of support to get ballot access, until the OK legislature enacted constitutional law. Before we do anything in OK, we should wait for the outcome of this ongoing litigation.

PA: We need to do a presidential petition again in 2016. If the LPPA is to have candidates on the ballot in 2014 (the Governor will be elected then), petitioning will have to occur then, too. The number of valid signatures needed on the 2014 petition will be decided by an election in November 2013. The Pennsylvania Ballot Access Coalition meets regularly, is active and will again be lobbying for reformed ballot access law in PA.

RI: 1,000 valid sigs for Presidential ticket in 2012. I would hope that the LPRI can handle this themselves, even though we had to purchase \$3,500 of sigs to get the drive done in 2012. The LNC needs to work to develop the LPRI, so that they can do a 1,000 valid sig drive themselves in 2016.

TN: While there is a potential ballot access bill for a 2,500 valid sig party petition, as of now I expect the LPTN to do a petition for 25 valid sigs per congressional district.

VA: While the LPVA has paid for its last several presidential petition drives, the problems encountered this year in Virginia have essentially bankrupted the LPVA. While I am working to develop a volunteer petitioning corps in VA, the LNC will probably need to subsidize the 2016 presidential petition drive in VA. That drive cannot start until January 2, 2016. Signatures will be due at Noon on the Friday that is 74 days before Election Day 2016.

VT: The LPVT will have to hold meetings in ten (10) towns to form a legally recognized political party in VT.

WA: 1,000 valid sigs for a petition for President. I anticipate that the LPWA will handle this themselves in 2016. Retention: 5% for President, although this law will probably change.

The Johnson Campaign has notified me that they have received invoices from petitioners totaling \$14,555.43 that they are unable to pay. As the LNC's expense budget line item

for ballot access has been fully expended for 2012, I will bring these to the LNC and will ask that the budget be amended to allow payment of these expenses. To the best of my knowledge, that will wrap up expenditures for ballot access in 2012.

To date, the LNC spent about \$352,364 on petitioning in 2012, plus \$14,970 for travel (although \$13,000 of that was an audit adjustment from a prior year), according to Robert Kraus. \$63,392 was spent on petitioning and travel in 2011

The Johnson campaign spent about \$155,000 on ballot access in 2012. So, net of the audit adjustment, the LNC and the Johnson campaign spent, to date, about \$572,726 on ballot access during this past two year election cycle.

While we spend a lot of money on ballot access, Americans Elect disclosed that it spent \$1,157,723 in 2010, plus \$10,158,324 in 2011, plus an undisclosed amount in 2012, for ballot access in 29 states. While the LNC had a big head start on AE on ballot access, I think it shows that we have been able to achieve ballot access far more cost efficiently than AE did.

Summary: I am not requesting a non-zero budget expense item for ballot access for 2013. I will submit requests (if any) to the LNC in 2013 on a case-by-case basis. Of course, the LNC may act without my behest.

Libertarian National Committee, Inc.
Statement of Operations - 2013 Budget
Year Ending 2009 - 2012 w-2013 Budget

FINAL

	Jan - Dec 08	Jan - Dec 09	Jan - Dec 10	Jan - Dec 11	Jan - Oct 12	TOTAL 2012 YTD Extrapolated	2013 BUDGET (w-Ext at Watergate)	\$ Difference 13 v 09	% Difference 13 v 09
Support and Revenue									
20-Membership Dues	472,861.72	480,132.32	532,493.82	482,622.32	385,755.74	462,906.89	465,000.00	(15,132.32)	97%
21-Donations	502,819.77	307,564.34	240,507.67	288,594.46	250,363.89	300,436.67	339,200.00	31,635.66	110%
22-Recurring Gifts	297,018.01	268,088.64	351,243.39	393,021.37	275,200.38	330,240.46	330,600.00	62,511.36	123%
23-Board Solicitation Major Gifts	72,539.24	19,763.40	94,387.70	25,027.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	24,250.00	4,486.60	123%
24-Convention Revenue *	1,460.00	0.00	170,112.06	0.00	185,226.20	222,271.44	0.00	0.00	0%
25-Project Program Revenue	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	130,034.56	(6,907.26)	(8,288.71)	0.00	0.00	0%
26-Brand Development Rev	0.00	0.00	28,994.00	0.00	690.00	828.00	0.00	0.00	0%
27-BallotAccess Donations	266,140.70	0.00	32,052.03	30,187.89	231,807.45	278,168.94	0.00	0.00	0%
28-Publications Materials Other	24,300.00	500.00	24,427.10	7,899.98	1,585.00	1,902.00	4,200.00	3,700.00	840%
29-Other Revenue & Offsets	0.00	3,652.31	2,870.63	1,522.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	(3,652.31)	0%
Total Support and Revenue	1,637,139.44	1,079,701.01	1,482,088.40	1,358,910.51	1,324,721.40	1,589,665.68	1,163,250.00	83,548.99	108%
Cost of Support and Revenue									
32-Fundraising Costs	223,300.54	145,587.87	126,335.04	147,121.92	134,701.11	161,641.33	156,300.00	10,712.13	107%
33-Membership Fundraising Costs	72,084.55	73,486.36	121,164.78	155,965.06	64,762.19	77,714.63	124,650.00	51,163.64	170%
35-Convention	33,531.11	0.00	102,895.71	0.00	161,911.70	194,294.04	0.00	0.00	0%
36-BallotAccess Fundraising Exp	28,120.23	0.00	4,282.91	2,937.01	16,824.79	20,189.75	0.00	0.00	0%
Total Cost of Support and Revenue	357,036.43	219,074.23	354,678.44	306,023.99	378,199.79	453,839.75	280,950.00	61,875.77	128%
Net Support Available for Programs	1,280,103.01	860,626.78	1,127,409.96	1,052,886.52	946,521.61	1,135,825.93	882,300.00	21,673.22	103%
Program Expense									
40-Administrative Costs	408,088.29	379,255.33	356,133.40	365,256.74	296,571.41	355,885.69	334,300.00	(44,955.33)	88%
45-Compensation	404,906.43	342,028.35	375,988.31	412,239.06	334,445.21	440,300.82	448,500.00	106,471.65	131%
50-Affiliate Support	3,230.93	300.00	0.00	3,867.21	2,450.65	2,940.78	7,100.00	6,800.00	2367%
55-Brand Development	14,037.98	34.87	51,878.72	5,190.78	2,747.85	3,297.42	2,700.00	2,665.13	7743%
58-Campus Outreach	0.00	0.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%
60-Candidate, Campaign & Initiatives	500.00	0.00	25,048.11	50,000.00	4,463.63	5,356.36	0.00	0.00	0%
70-BallotAccess Petitioning Related Exp	479,834.96	5,500.00	128,904.03	72,452.23	367,333.79	440,800.55	0.00	(5,500.00)	0%
75-Litigation	30,421.69	5,366.69	0.00	12,882.01	23,258.97	27,910.76	4,800.00	(566.69)	89%
80-Media	251.00	5,745.00	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	(4,745.00)	17%
85-Member Communication and Materials	85,704.89	33,091.58	34,016.19	36,992.13	29,342.74	35,211.29	28,000.00	(5,091.58)	85%
88-Outreach	19,567.67	3,016.45	8,392.15	21,285.31	4,315.49	5,178.59	4,000.00	983.55	133%
90-Project Program Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,293.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%
Total Program Expense	1,446,543.84	774,338.27	981,670.91	984,459.11	1,064,929.74	1,316,882.26	830,400.00	56,061.73	107%
Net Operating Surplus (or Deficit)	(166,440.83)	86,288.51	145,739.05	68,427.41	(118,408.13)	(181,056.32)	51,900.00	(34,388.51)	60%

Capital Exp \$5,000.00

Staff Report for LNC Meeting November 17-18, 2012 Washington D.C.

Activities Since July 2012

Prepared by Carla Howell, Executive Director

Membership

- Membership decline reversed, now on slow, steady growth path.
- Boost in membership seen after Facebook memes started in July, after Paul Fest in August, and during peak campaign season September-November.
- Consistently about 30% of lapsed renewals renew when called, although seeing recent uptick (no data yet on this).
- Seeing younger demographic among those who renew.

Fundraising

- Revenue is approximately on-budget to date.
- Pledgers renew steadily. About 2/3rds of lapsed members renew when called. Only 2 out of 60-70 per month decline for non-financial reasons.
- Prospecting: Have not had sufficient staffing to do prospecting this year. Lined up list vendor and starting to identify several lists to exploit.

Media Coverage and Communications

- Did 39 media interviews since 7/16/12 (see attached).
- Graphic contrasting Gov. Gary Johnson with Mitt Romney and Barack Obama was widely circulated and published in Washington Times.
- News releases, LP.org content and blogs, Facebook, videos and email blasts (see attached lists) focused on showcasing candidates up and down ticket
- LP News: similar focus with additional focus on covering behind-the-scenes contributors, e.g., "Ballot Access Heroes." One major LP donor commented that last issue of LP News was "best issue I've read since the 90s - full of good news."
- Facebook daily likes grew: 94-130 early July; 151-472 mid-July to pre-Paul Fest; 342-624 post-Paul Fest; and 174-1,443 during election "high season, peaking on Election Day.
- Strong presence at Paul Fest resulted in winning over strong majority of Ron Paul supporters to Johnson campaign. Well-staffed booth had regular traffic where LP and Gov. Gary Johnson were very well-received. Collected over 900 prime prospect names and contact info and sent 3 email blasts to 4,000 Paul supporters.
- Online Petition to Include Gary Johnson in Presidential Debates: Generated 34,595 names, 19,693 of which are new with partial contact info.

Candidate and affiliate support

- Approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of candidates approached LP HQ this year for guidance in getting on ballot, filing reports, etc. The other $\frac{1}{4}$ have sufficiently active state affiliate to fulfill this need.
- Continue to update ballot access guide for candidates.
- Biggest challenges: teaching and encouraging candidates to fundraise and adjusting their expectations of vote totals likely with the resources they have.
- 100-200 candidates have already contacted LP HQ interested in running for office in 2014 or 2016.
- Distributed Gary Johnson and LP literature to campaigns, affiliates and members
- Regularly promoted and supported Gov Gary Johnson for President campaign. Held weekly conference calls with M. Cloud, Ron Nielson and Joe Hunter to ensure LNC / campaign communications not in conflict and to help promote important messages of the Johnson campaign.
- Sent emails blasts on behalf of affiliates to help with specific situations, e.g., West Virginia petition for inclusion in debates, South Carolina recount.

Ballot access

- Supported efforts of Bill Redpath and affiliates to get on the ballot and pay vendors.
- Assisted with legal challenges in Pennsylvania and other states.
- Provided materials to help with MA ballot drive.

Office and staffing issues

- Writer (Max Kniazkov) who resigned in May replaced with a network of contract writers. One of them - Eric Dixon - will start full time December 3rd. In addition to strong writing skills, has extensive web development experience which can help with replacement of current website and in-house maintenance, critical for implementing needed updates and minimizing downtime.
- Despite its drawbacks, current web site serves a number of critical functions including membership/fundraising, general party info for media and visitors, candidate information, polls, videos, blog/news, and affiliate information.

Libertarian National Committee

Region 1 Report

Submitted by Norm Olsen

November 11, 2012

Draft

Overview

- The ten affiliates which now comprise Region 1 are: Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.
- On election day 2012, Region 1 affiliates Colorado and Washington both became the first states in the United States to legalize the possession of marijuana and in Colorado the growing of small amounts thereof (six plants); no medical condition required. Congratulations to both Colorado and Washington. Region 1 is very proud of your accomplishments.
- Arizona voters, by a 2:1 margin, compellingly defeated the “Top Two Primary” imitative which severely threatened the viability of the Arizona affiliate.
- Nine of the affiliates in Region 1 are ballot qualified for 2012 without petitioning. The Washington affiliate obtained 1,750 signatures (1,000 required) to place the Johnson/Gray ticket on the Washington ballot without assistance from the national organization. See the Washington specific report below.
- The policy of publishing a *Region 1 News* newsletter from time to time has been continued. All Sustaining Members who are also members of any of the ten affiliates which form the current Region 1 are invited to subscribe to the newsletter. Four issues of the newsletter have been issued so far this term (2012 – 2014).
- Due to the geographic nature of this region, which spans five time zones and extends from 19 to 71 degrees north latitude, personal contact between the Regional and Alternate Representatives and the individual affiliates is not possible (but does happen occasionally).

Alaska

Mark Fish, State Chair

Carolyn Clift, Treasurer, Reporting

Alaska's congressional candidate, Jim McDermott, received 5% of the vote in Alaska while the Libertarian presidential ticket received 2.5%; results the LPAK is rightly proud of. Ballot access remains secure for 2014 with more than 3% of registered voters affiliating with the Libertarian Party in Alaska. (Specifically, to retain

ballot access, the LPAK must maintain voter registration numbers at or above 3% of the voters participating in the last general election.)

LPAK participated in several events, the Alaska State Fair in Anchorage being the major event. LPAK was pleased to have visits from both Gov Johnsons and Judge Gray.

Number of Libertarians	8,000
Method of Membership Determination	Registered voters
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes
Ballot Access Status	3% of register voters
Number of Candidates in 2012	2
Estimated Budget	\$1,000 / month

Arizona

Warren Severin, State Chair

Warren was very pleased to report that the rift which has afflicted the Arizona affiliate for some 12 years now is finally showing signs of real healing and cooperation between the northern and southern factions is beginning to develop.

Warren also expressed great relief in that the "Top Two Primary" proposal lost on election day by an almost 2:1 margin. A big sigh of relief and a great increase in optimism was experienced on election night eve. Arizona greatly appreciates the help of Kristina Tobin of the Free and Equal Foundation for their assistance in defeating this initiative.

Out of 15 counties total, Arizona has three strong local affiliates and three that exist and are growing in strength. Current Libertarian registration is running at 0.71% which exceeds the party qualification requirement of 0.65% by a few basis points. While the margin is slim, it is positive; thus concerns about future ballot access are limited. Thus, Arizona is doing very well in building a strong organization and the outlook is favorable for this, the largest affiliate in the region.

Number of Libertarians	24,880
Method of Membership Determination	Registered voters
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes
Ballot Access Status	Registration >= .65% of active registered voters
Number of Candidates in 2012	14
Estimated Budget	

Colorado

Jeffery Orrok, State Chair

The “Regulate Marijuana like Alcohol” initiative (<http://www.regulatemarijuana.org>), also known as Amendment 64, passed with a substantial margin (54% to 46%). Thus Colorado becomes one of the first states (see WA report below) to legalize possession and growing of marijuana without requiring a medical condition. A major major **major** step forward in the Libertarian movement. While the measure was endorsed by the LPCO, and several members supported the effort in various ways, the effort was not Libertarian Party effort.

Given this electoral result, it is clear that 54% of the electorate in Colorado are libertarian minded. A good sign for future progress of the Libertarian movement in Colorado.

Voters registered as Libertarian have increased by almost 50% since last report. Of the 65+ candidates on the November ballot, only one candidate got less than 3% of the vote. The Libertarian presidential ticket received over 72,000 votes, four times as many as in 2008.

However, all is not rosy in Colorado. The affiliate by-laws specify eleven members of the Board of Directors. Currently, there are five vacancies.

Number of Libertarians	24,000
Method of Membership Determination	Registered Voters
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes
Ballot Access Status	1,000 Registered voters
Number of Candidates in 2012	65+
Estimated Budget	\$600 / month

Hawaii

Jim Henshaw, State Chair

Hawaii’s ballot access expires with this election. Petitions of 1,000 valid signatures will be needed in the next three election cycles to obtain ballot access for the next five election cycles.

Number of Libertarians	67
Method of Membership Determination	National membership
Voters can register as Libertarian	No, party affiliation not maintained by the state
Ballot Access Status	10% of statewide race, or petition of 0.1% of registered voters (~650)
Number of Candidates in 2012	2
Estimated Budget	

Idaho

Rob Oates, State Chair

Idaho has been active with Students for Liberty and is running 6 candidates for public office. Idaho would appreciate assistance in developing local affiliates so that campaigning for state offices and congress would be better coordinated. Idaho lacks an effective system for maintaining a list of its membership, thus it really only knows about the members reported by national via the monthly dump.

Number of Libertarians	36
Method of Membership Determination	National membership
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes (new this year, explaining the above answers)
Ballot Access Status	Maintained by running 3 statewide candidates very two years.
Number of Candidates in 2012	6
Estimated Budget	\$3,000 per annum

Kansas

Al Terwelp, State Chair

Kansas is a vibrant affiliate under the leadership of “Big Al” Terwelp. Membership remains at the highest level in the history of the affiliate, has continued for six straight years, and continues to grow despite the Ron Paul effect which is significant in the state. Kansas is pursuing a local affiliate development program which is difficult in a state which has 105 counties and requires a seven hour drive to cross (east/west) despite a 75 mph speed limit on I-70. Nevertheless, significant progress is being made.

Kansas is also having great success by using an issue based strategy. Essentially, a specific issue of interest to voters in Kansas is chosen and designated members of the KSLP become very knowledgeable and, through a lot of hard work, own the issue. Thus, with regard to these chosen issues in Kansas, politicians and media come to the LP for advice, opinions, and commentary. Expertise on these issues also produces media attention, speaker invitations, and promotes coalition building with organizations with a similar interest. Current issues include school choice, open carry, and next on the list, hemp cultivation.

Kansas is hoping that a Saratoga equivalent project will become available soon thus relieving the affiliate from the need to devote its limited resources to developing their own list system. Given its rapid growth and excellent leadership, the lack of a sufficiently capable list system is now one of the major difficulties this affiliate needs to overcome; especially with regard to its local organization development plans.

Growth and development in Kansas is impressive and continues to expand. Affiliates across the nation will be adopting these policies eventually.

Number of Libertarians	10,800
Method of Membership Determination	Registered voters
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes
Ballot Access Status	1% statewide race
Number of Candidates in 2012	21

Estimated Budget	\$6,000 annually
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Montana

Mike Fellows, State Chair

Mike Fellows achieved 42% of the vote in a statewide race for Secretary of the Montana Supreme Court. This is considered to be a Libertarian Party record for a statewide race. Congratulations to Mike and all the Montana Libertarians for pulling off another Libertarian record. The LP presidential ticket received 2.9% of the vote while the LP Senate candidate received 5% of the vote in a very tight race.

Number of Libertarians	
Method of Membership Determination	
Voters can register as Libertarian	
Ballot Access Status	Qualified for 2014
Number of Candidates in 2012	9
Estimated Budget	

Utah

Jake Shannon, State Chair

No report.

Number of Libertarians	2,500
Method of Membership Determination	Tax check off
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes
Ballot Access Status	2% of statewide congressional vote
Number of Candidates in 2012	
Estimated Budget	

Washington

Larry Nicholas, State Chair

The Washington affiliate collected, without any assistance from the national committee, some 1,750 signatures to put the Libertarian Presidential ticket on the ballot in Washington state (1,000 signatures were required).

Washington voters approved Initiative 502 on election day, which now legalizes possession of up to 1.4 oz of marijuana in the state. Citizens will be able to purchase marijuana from state approved vendors. Marijuana distribution will be regulated by the state liquor board.

Number of Libertarians	4082
Method of Membership Determination	National membership
Voters can register as Libertarian	No
Ballot Access Status	1,000 signatures
Number of Candidates in 2012	None, top two primary state
Estimated Budget	24 monthly pledges

Wyoming

Dennis Brossman, State Chair

Dennis Brossman, an active Libertarian for more than 30 years, suffered a heart attack this past summer. He is recovering but, for the most part, has left state chair duties to others. Long time Libertarians who have had the opportunity to know Dennis should send him a card. Heath Robinson, Vice Chair, reviews e-mail sent to the chairman@lpwyoming.com.

Richard Brubaker, LPWY's congressional candidate, received 2.9% of the vote in the 2012 election, thus securing ballot access for the LPWY for the 2014 election. LPWY has county contacts in 9 of its 23 counties. LPWY is experiencing major changes as long time Libertarians such as Dennis retire and are replaced by the younger generation.

Number of Libertarians	1,300
Method of Membership Determination	Registered voters
Voters can register as Libertarian	Yes (linked to ballot access)
Ballot Access Status	2% of statewide race
Number of Candidates in 2012	6
Estimated Budget	\$100 / month

Robert Kraus

From: Vicki Kirkland [vickilp12@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, November 11, 2012 7:51 PM
To: Robert Kraus
Subject: Region 2 Report

FLORIDA

The presidential vote numbers - Gary Johnson set a numerical record for votes received by a presidential candidate in Florida by almost 50%.

Clarke 1980 30, 524, Johnson 2012 - 44,684 (0.53%)

US House Dist 1

Calen Fretts set a number of Florida county records in a 4 way race but placed third with 11,165 votes for (3.26%)

Florida Senate Dist 11

Registered Libertarian, John Iler, running as an NPA set a record for Florida Libertarian State Senate candidates 64,823 votes (28.44%)

Florida House Seat 28

Franklin Perez set a percentage record for Libertarian candidates for the Florida house by getting 22,866 votes for a (34.05%)

Florida House Seat 14. Jonathan Loesche received 13,947 votes for 21.27%

Florida House Seat 106 Peter Richter received 16,378 votes for 21.15%

And last but not least The only other Libertarian on the Florida ballot:

Hillsborough County Soil and Water Group 2 Joesph Wendt 42.91% 164,895

The LPF 2013 State Convention will be held Memorial day weekend May 24-26 at the Naples Hilton in Naples, Florida.

Georgia

President/Vice-President

MITT ROMNEY (R) 53.35% 2,077,513
 BARACK OBAMA (I)D 45.49% 1,771,563
 GARY JOHNSON (L) 1.16% 45,264

[Johnson nearly doubled Barr's 2008 totals \(in Barr's home state\)](#)

Total Votes 3,894,340

Public Service Commission (District 3)

CHUCK EATON (I)R 52.11% 1,857,716
 STEPHEN OPPENHEIMER (D) 43.09% 1,536,249
 BRAD PLOEGER (L) 4.80% 170,978

Total Votes 3,564,943

Public Service Commission (District 5)

STAN WISE (I)R 65.84% 2,108,958

DAVID STAPLES (L) 34.16% 1,093,955*

Total Votes 3,202,913

Lee County Georgia Commission (District 4)

RICK MUGGRIDGE (I)R 76.83% 1,834

TIM NELSON (IND) 23.17% 553**

Total Votes 2,387

* Set new all-time highest vote total by a Libertarian in Georgia.

** Ran as an independent, endorsed by the LP.

TENNESSEE**U.S. President**

Mitt Romney	Republican	1,459,965	59.48%
Barack Obama	Democratic	959,054	39.07%
Gary Johnson	Independent	18,569	0.76%
Jill Stein	Green	6,498	0.26%
Virgil Goode	Constitution	6,014	0.25%
Ross C. "Rocky" Anderson	Independent	2,633	0.11%
Merlin Miller	Independent	1,737	0.07%

U.S. Senate

Bob Corker	Republican	1,504,081	64.93%
Mark E. Clayton	Democratic	704,708	30.42%
Martin Pleasant	Green	38,412	1.66%
Shaun E. Crowell	Independent	20,913	0.9%
Kermit Steck	Constitution	18,589	0.8%
James Higdon	Independent	8,077	0.35%
Michel Joseph Long	Independent	8,062	0.35%
Troy Stephen Scoggin	Independent	7,151	0.31%
David Gatchell	Independent	6,513	0.28%

U.S. House of Representatives

John J. Duncan, Jr.	Republican	196,738	74.44%

Troy Christopher Goodale	Democratic	54,472	20.61%
Norris Dryer	Green	5,733	2.17%
Greg Samples	Independent	4,382	1.66%
Brandon Stewart	Independent	2,973	1.12%

TN State House, District 52

Michael Stewart	Democratic	12,577	75.62%
Daniel Lewis	Independent	4,055	24.38%

Vicki Kirkland

Region 2 Rep

LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE



REGION 3 REPORT



INDIANA



KENTUCKY



MICHIGAN



OHIO

REGIONAL REPORT FOR REGION 3
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REGION 3 OVERVIEW

Region 3 maintained its member-affiliates at the 2012 Libertarian National Convention: Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio. This Region is comprised of States with similar constituencies and similar approaches to Party growth.

National Membership for the Region

Three of the four states in the region experienced growth in membership numbers between October 2011 and October 2012.

October 2011 National Membership Summary

	Total Members	Total Sustaining Members	Sustaining Membership Rank
INDIANA	2723	319	14
KENTUCKY	998	97	33
MICHIGAN	4829	469	9
OHIO	4530	600	4

October 2012 National Membership Summary

	Total Members	Total Sustaining Members	Sustaining Membership Rank
INDIANA	2839	349	14
KENTUCKY	1048	114	33
MICHIGAN	4930	443	10
OHIO	4717	604	5

YEAR OVER YEAR NATIONAL SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP TRENDS

- ▲ INDIANA MEMBERSHIP UP 9.4%
- ▲ KENTUCKY MEMBERSHIP UP 17.5%
- ▼ MICHIGAN MEMBERSHIP DOWN 5.5%
- ▲ OHIO MEMBERSHIP UP 0.6%





LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF INDIANA



State Organization

Party Leadership Structure

ELECTED POSITIONS

Chair: Sam Goldstein (chair@lpin.org)

Vice Chair: Jerry Titus (vicechair@lpin.org)

Treasurer: Dale Wedel (treasurer@lpin.org)

Secretary: John Schick (secretary@lpin.org)

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Executive Director: Chris Spangle (cspangle@lpin.org)

Office Space

LPIN has permanent office space in downtown Indianapolis at 156 E. Market Street Suite #405, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Paid Staff/Contractors

The Libertarian Party of Indiana uses the Executive Director model for staff organization and management. Chris Spangle is the current, full-time, paid Executive Director for LPIN.

LPIN also has interns but does not currently have any paid contractors.

State Level Membership

LPIN has 349 national and state members. Its state level membership is defined by those who contribute \$25 annually to the National LP.

Sub-Affiliates

LPIN organizes its sub-affiliates by county. It currently has 47 active county parties and 45 inactive county parties (an increase of one active county party since the last report).

LPIN plans to have district-wide training and vetting meetings to find interested and qualified individuals to start up new county parties. Through the interest already expressed by new volunteers and the plan to hold these training/vetting meetings, LPIN expects to add 5 more counties as affiliates over the next few months.

Elections

Past Election Cycle (2012)

2012 GENERAL ELECTION



In total, 35 Libertarians appeared on the ballot in Indiana.

On the Federal side, the ticket was led by Gary Johnson and Judge Jim Gray for President and Vice President, respectively. Andrew Horning represented the party in the race for United States Senate. Six candidates represented the party for U.S. Congress.

On the state level, the ticket was led by Survivor TV Star and philanthropist Rupert Boneham (pronounced "bone-em") for Governor and Brad Klopfenstein served as his running mate for Lt. Governor. The LPIN was be represented by 14 candidates for State Senate and House.

On the local level, 10 candidates appeared on the ballot for the Libertarian party.

You can view the complete list of candidates at <http://lpin.org/candidates/>.

2012 INDIANA DEBATE COMMISSION INCLUDED LIBERTARIANS IN TELEVISED DEBATES

Indiana's three gubernatorial candidates appeared in three televised debates this fall through the Indiana Debate Commission. The IDC is made up of most of the major Indiana media outlets insuring consistent coverage of the three televised debates. US Senate candidate Andy Horning also participated in one televised debate this fall.

2012 RAW ELECTION NUMBERS SHOW EXCITING GROWTH OVER LAST FOUR YEARS

<http://lpin.org/2012/11/08/raw-election-numbers-show-exciting-growth-over-last-four-years/>

Article by mwittlief Published: November 8, 2012

(Numbers based on reporting by Clerks and the IED as of the evening of November, 8, 2012. Numbers and percentages will fluctuate slightly until results certified.)

US President: Gov. Gary Johnson posted results just below 49k votes. This is a 68% increase over Barr in 2008 and a 172% increase over Badnarik in 2004. His percentage is coming in at 1.9% (Barr was 1.1% in 2008 while Badnarik pulled 0.7%).

US Senate: Andrew Horning received about 14.5k votes and 5.8%. His vote totals represent a 53% increase over Rebecca Sink-Burris in 2010. Sink-Burris did pull 5.4%, so presidential turnout did help Horning's gross vote total. However, the last time the LPIN had a US Senate seat up in a presidential cycle was 2004 when Al Barger cleared just 27k votes (1.1%). Interestingly, Horning is just 24k votes short of Steve Osborn's total in his 2-way race with Lugar in 2006.

US House Races: The LPIN's five candidates combined for 59k votes which is a 25% increase over 2008 which was also a presidential cycle featuring five LP candidates on the ballot. The 59k is 25k short of the party's gross vote record in 2010 when the LPIN filled the entire US House slate. Statewide, LP candidates achieved 2.4% of the total US House vote; that number goes up to 4.2% for just the contested races. This is down, however, from 4.8% in 2010. Rex Bell is the first LP Congressional candidate in Indiana to win four precincts in Wayne County and tied for first in one. Bell also won a precinct in Henry County.

IN Governor: Rupert Boneham has just cleared 100k with the latest totals which is good for 4.0%. This is a 75% increase over Andy in 2008, and a 217% increase over Kenn Gividen in 2004. The 4.0% nearly doubles Andy's 2.1% in 2008 and is far better than the 1.3% of Gividen in 2004.

Results over the last Decade for Libertarians:

**US Senate:**

Hager 2000: 33,992; 1.6%

Barger 2004: 27,334; 1.1%

Osborn 2006: 168,820; 12.6% (2-way)

Sink-Burris 2010: 94,562; 5.4%

Horning 2012: 144,806; 5.8%

Combined US House (percentages include all 9 races in each year):

2002: 37,270; 2.4% (9 candidates)

2004: 35,470; 1.5% (7 candidates)

2006: 17,324; 1.0% (2 candidates)

2008: 47,306; 1.8% (5 candidates)

2010: 84,518; 4.8% (9 candidates)

2012: 59,088; 2.4% (5 candidates)

Governor:

Gividen 2004: 31,664; 1.3%

Horning 2008: 57,376; 2.1%

Boneham 2012: 100,335; 4.0%

President:

Badnarik 2004: 18,058; 0.7%

Barr 2008: 29,257; 1.1%

Johnson 2012: 49,194; 1.9%

Auditor:

Parisi 2002: 49,030; 3.4%

Knipe 2010: 78,098; 4.6%

SOS:

Sink-Burris 2002: 60,937; 4.1%

Kole 2006: 54,381; 3.3%

Wherry 2010: 100,847; 5.9%

IN House 54:

Bond 2004: 1194; 4.4% (3 way)

Bell 2006: 2775; 14.3% (3 way)

Bell 2008: 8374; 33.5% (2-way)

Bell 2010: 3846; 20.8% (3 way)

Morrell 2012: 5834; 26.9% (2-way)

Current Election Cycle (2013 & 2014)



UNKNOWN

Ballot Access

Recent Ballot Access Activity

LPIN has automatic ballot access because they have surpassed 2% in the in the last Secretary of State (SOS) race.

Upcoming Ballot Access Activity

Ballot access is determined every 4 years by the SOS race results; as long as LPIN continues to reach or surpass the 2% mark it will retain ballot access for another 4 years. No problems are expected with maintaining ballot access in the near future, as LPIN hit 5.9% in the last SOS race and continues to grow.

Activities

State Level Activities

2013 STATE CONVENTION

Date and location still to be determined.

Local Level Activities

UNKNOWN

Finances & Fundraising

Current Initiatives

TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENTS

LPIN is able to hold Texas Hold'em tournaments through the state's charity gaming license program. It is very successful in raising money with these annual events.

1994 SOCIETY

This is the monthly pledge program and it brings in the majority of the income for the party.

LICENSE THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION

LPIN licenses the Statewide Voter Registration to several data companies for a good profit.

Future Initiatives

UNKNOWN

Media Coverage

- Rupert Boneham named one of the "Top five political superstars to watch this election season" in the Washington Times



- <http://communities.washingtontimes.com/neighborhood/making-waves-hawaii-perspective-washington-politic/2012/nov/2/top-five-personalities/>
 - News & Tribune article: "Indiana's third party sees progress beyond its wins"
 - <http://newsandtribune.com/local/x1200641862/Indiana-s-third-party-sees-progress-beyond-its-wins>
 - Indianapolis Business Journal article: "Libertarian presidential candidate stumps in Indiana"
 - <http://www.ibj.com/libertarian-presidential-candidate-stumps-in-indiana/PARAMS/article/37449>
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Information Technology

LPIN's website is currently running on WordPress. There is no Constituent Resource Management (CRM) system for data management – all data management is currently handled through the use of spreadsheets.

Other

None



LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF KENTUCKY



www.LPKY.org

State Organization

Party Leadership Structure

Chair: Eric Cranley

Vice Chair: Actively seeking a new vice chair after the untimely death of the prior vice chair

Treasurer: Matthew Holder

Office Space

LPKY does not currently have any office space or plans to acquire any. Mail can be sent to LPKY at P.O. Box 432, Independence, KY 41051.

Paid Staff/Contractors

None

State Level Membership

Membership at the state level is represented by the number of people who pay the \$30 annual dues to the state. By this definition, the number of state level members is less than 50.

Membership requirements haven't changed since 2009, but the requirements are determined by the state executive committee which, as a body, can change the requirements at will.

Sub-Affiliates

The State of Kentucky does not officially recognize any party structure below the state level, however LPKY is actively working to grow its own sub-affiliates by congressional district and then by county, similar to how the Republicans and Democrats are formed in KY.

There are currently 6 congressional districts in Kentucky, 2 of which have active LPKY affiliates, 3 which have LPKY groups in the development phase and 1 with no activity yet.

District 1 (southwest) is an example of a congressional district in the development phase and is very close to becoming an affiliate. It is currently led by someone interested in being the chair, who is actively recruiting other people to fill the other leadership positions.

District 4 (northern) has been a well-organized affiliate for several years now, and they have the first county party organized in the state – Boone Count.



Campbell County (Newport, Alexandria, etc.) has an organizational meeting in a few weeks, should be online by the end of the year.

Elections

Past Election Cycle (2012)

PRESIDENT

Gary Johnson received 0.94% statewide with approx. 17,000 votes. This was the best Libertarian presidential showing ever in Kentucky, 2nd best vote total statewide in KY history. This was almost 5 times the previous best Libertarian presidential candidate in Kentucky!

CRAIG ASTOR, US CONGRESS 2ND DISTRICT

Craig Astor achieved 1.74% of the vote with 4,914 votes, just slightly behind the Independent candidate in a 4-way race.

HARLEN COMPTON, CITY COUNCIL

This was a partisan city council race, which is rare in KY. Mr. Compton projected that he could win with as few as 600 votes, and considering his long established ties in the community, he had a very strong chance of winning. While he did achieve 632 votes, this was not enough to put him into any of the winning seats.

Current Election Cycle (2013 & 2014)

Nothing is planned for 2013 unless a special elections come up.

Congress, senate, state legislature, and county executive branch are in 2014.

No candidates have been identified at this time but LPKY is always looking to ensure ballot access.

Recent Ballot Access Activity

The state of Kentucky defines a "political party" as getting 20% or more in KY the presidential race, a "political organization" as getting 2%-20%, and a "political group" as getting less than 2%.

Ballot access for the party label is possible on a race by race basis with signature gathering requirements. However, as a "political group", LPKY candidates are required to gather significantly more signatures to get on the ballot than their R & D counterparts. For example, a statewide LP candidate must gather 5000 valid signatures, a congressional candidate must gather 400, and a county or local candidate must gather 100, while the R's and D's only need to gather 2 (two) valid signatures for any of these races.

Upcoming Ballot Access Activity

LPKY will start filing state campaign finance reports to the state within the next several weeks. This gives LPKY the ability to donate to state campaigns on the same level as R's and D's, whereas today they have a much lower limit of how much the party can contribute to candidates.

If Governor Johnson had received 2% of the vote for president statewide in 2012, LPKY's signature requirements would have dropped to the same levels as the R's and D's, thus reducing signature gathering time and costs, while most likely increasing the number of candidates who would be willing and able to run on the LP ticket in Kentucky.



Since this did not occur, LPKY plans to use the fact that they are starting to file state campaign finance reports as leverage with the state to argue for recognition at the “political organization” level, thus dramatically reducing signature requirements.

Activities

State Level Activities

FANCY FARM

This is an annual picnic at a church in south western KY, the largest political event in the state. Ken Moellman (state coordinator for the Johnson campaign) was able to speak at the event on behalf of Governor Johnson. There was media coverage at the event but the media paid most attention to the R’s and D’s – not much attention for Libertarians.

Local Level Activities

PICNICS

LPKY had several well-attended picnics around the state in 2012 which brought out a number of new people who are getting engaged in the party.

Finances & Fundraising

Recent Initiatives

2100 letters went out in July to registered Libertarians which asked for contributions, and which included petitions for letter recipients to sign and return in order to get Governor Johnson on the ballot. About 100-200 signatures came back in the mail with this effort, but unfortunately the donations were negligible.

Current Initiatives

No current initiatives.

Future Initiatives

None planned at this time.

Media Coverage

Nothing recent

Information Technology

The current website is running on Drupal for content management and spreadsheets are used to keep track of donors and registered members.

LPKY is currently evaluating the Libertas platform from Big L Solutions.



Other

Voter Registration Issues: County Clerks Breaking the Law

LPKY continues to have trouble with the County Clerks offices around the state not properly registering Libertarian voters.

For years now, KY law has required that they record the party affiliation of anyone who checks "Other", and there are over a dozen counties that still have only "Independents," "Other," and the two old parties listed in the voter rolls. LPKY knows of several cases in which someone attempted to register as a Libertarian but is still currently listed as "Other."

...This issue will be ongoing for years to come.

Help Requested

LPKY has plans to move forward on this issue, but is curious if the LNC has any guidance or assistance to offer on getting the voter registration forms in KY converted to listing Libertarian as its own option.



LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF MICHIGAN



State Organization

Party Leadership Structure

ELECTED POSITIONS

State Chair – Denee Rockman-Moon, chair@michiganlp.org

Vice Chair – Larry Johnson, michlibertarian@gmail.com

Secretary – Mary Buzuma, mary.buzuma@att.net

Treasurer – Kim Moore, sashaphoenix@gmail.com

Libertarian Executive Committee At-large Directors:

- Andrew Hall - halla12@ferris.edu
- Jim Fulner - fulner@gmail.com
- Christopher Sharer - christopher.sharer@gmail.com
- Keith Butkovich - sirkeith17@hotmail.com
- Gregory Creswell - i.am4_gcreswell@yahoo.com

Judicial Committee:

- Keith Edwards - keithmarni@wowway.com
- Bill Gelineau - freedomlover59@hotmail.com
- Shyler Engel – shyler.engel@gmail.com

APPOINTED POSITIONS

- Webmaster – Brian Wright - brian_r_wright@yahoo.com
- Political Director – Bill Gelineau – politics@mi.lp.org

Office Space

LPM has office space located at Columbia Center II, 101 West Big Beaver, Suite 1400, Troy, MI 48084.

Paid Staff/Contractors

LP Michigan has a paid contractor who maintains their current website.

State Level Membership

LP Michigan currently has 166 paid members with the state (an 8% increase since the last report) and 454 with national.

At the state level, membership is determined by dues paying members (\$25 annually) who affirm the statement of principles.

Sub-Affiliates



Affiliates are currently being formed by groups of neighboring counties. There are currently a total of 13 sub-affiliates:

- 4 very active
- 4 active
- 4 forming (2 of which are due to new volunteers who have offered to start a local group since the last report)
- 3 inactive

Elections

Past Election Cycle (2012)

JOHNSON/GRAY CAMPAIGN ASSESSMENT

Chairwoman Rockman-Moon thought that for all the fences that Gary Johnson's campaign endured they did a fantastic job. Gary's team was able to get his name out there even though he was not part of the main stream media.

Ms. Rockman-Moon personally helped the Michigan Rep for Gary by doing a mass mailing of signs and materials to over 30 other LP material distributors within Michigan.

LP MICHIGAN RESULTS

LP Michigan ran 50 candidates in the 2012 election cycle (not including top of ticket with Johnson/Gray as official write-in candidates). Their results are shown below.

The most notable result is State Rep candidate Michael J. Perry who received 13% of the vote in a 3-way race, achieving 4,843 votes.

Office	District	Candidate	Votes	Percent %	Reporting %	# of Candidates
US Senate		Scotty Boman	83,434	2.00%	96	6
Representative in Congress	District 01	Emily Salvette	10,917	3.00%	100	4
Representative in Congress	District 02	Mary Buzuma	8,728	3.00%	99	5
Representative in Congress	District 03	Bill Gelineau	10,483	3.00%	99	3
Representative in Congress	District 04	John Gelineau	4,251	1.00%	99	5
Representative in Congress	District 05	Greg Creswell	4,764	2.00%	99	4
Representative in Congress	District 06	Christie Gelineau	6,182	2.00%	97	4
Representative in Congress	District 07	Ken Proctor	8,086	3.00%	100	4
Representative in Congress	District 08	Daniel Goebel	8,079	2.00%	100	4
Representative in Congress	District 09	Jim Fulner	6,100	2.00%	100	5
Representative in Congress	District 10	Baghwan (Bob) Dashairya	4,796	1.00%	100	3
Representative in Congress	District 11	John J. Tatar	9,309	3.00%	100	5
Representative in Congress	District 12	Rick Secula	9,297	3.00%	99	3
Representative in Congress	District 13	Chris Sharer	6,076	2.13%	100	4
Representative in Congress	District 14	Leonard Schwartz	3,874	1.00%	94	4
State Board of Education		Andy LeCureaux				



University of Michigan Board of Regents		Gregory Scott Stempfle				
University of Michigan Board of Regents		James Lewis Hudler				
Michigan State University Board of Trustees		Michael H. Miller				
State Representative	District 14	Loel Gnadt 1076 3.17% 100 3				
State Representative	District 16	Steve Boron	1,039	3.00%	100	4
State Representative	District 18	Dan Flamand	1,223	3.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 26	James Young	1,636	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 27	John M. Wierzbicki	1,636	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 31	James Miller	1,742	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 40	Stephen A. Burgis	1,312	2.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 42	James H. Lewis II	1,828	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 44	Scott W. Poquette	1,901	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 47	James Weeks II	1,607	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 72	William Robert Wenzel, III	1,481	4.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 73	Ronald Heeren	1,537	3.00%	100	4
State Representative	District 76	Pat Steinport	1,362	3.00%	100	5
State Representative	District 77	Larry Warner	1,300	3.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 87	Joseph P. Gillotte	1,450	4.00%	96	3
State Representative	District 88	Michael J. Perry	4,843	13.00%	100	3
State Representative	District 91	Nick Sundquist	1,856	5.00%	100	3
Kent County, County Clerk		Jamie Lewis	13,371	4.91%	100	3
Livingston County, County Commissioner	District 09	John Hargenrader	1,586	17.92%	100	2
Macomb County, Sheriff		Scott Allen	12,708	3.37%	100	3
Meridian Township Trustee		Will Tyler White	1,397	1.88%		9 / 4
Oakland County, County Commissioner	District 21	Richard Gach	2212	8.13%	100	2
Oakland County, Prosecuting Attorney		Steve Afton	18,160	3.01%	100	3
Washtenaw County, Prosecuting Attorney		Justin M. Altman	21032	14.52%	100	2
Wayne County, County Commissioner	District 11	Keith Butkovich	2,161	4.41%	100	3
Wayne County, Prosecutor		David Afton	74564	10.31%	100	2
Wayne County, Register of Deeds		Ben Bachrach	71767	10.49%	100	2
Wayne County, Treasurer		William Rushlow	80383	11.57%	100	2
Ypsilanti Township Trustee		Lawrence W Johnson	3422	4.51%	100	5 / 4
Justice of the Supreme Court		Kerry L Morgan	257,821	4%	96	7 / 2



Justice of the Supreme Court		Robert W Roddis	177,997	3%	96	7 / 2
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Current Election Cycle (2013 & 2014)

PARTY ORGANIZATION PLANNING

Chairwoman Rockman-Moon is organizing a Political Team which will be tasked with candidate recruitment, candidate vetting, gaining support for the party from local businesses, and fundraising. This is the next step in ensuring a slate of successful candidates in 2014 with more active candidates and fewer paper candidates, which is another goal of Ms. Rockman-Moon's.

Ballot Access

Recent Ballot Access Activity

No work was required this year to obtain/retain ballot access.

Upcoming Ballot Access Activity

No work is expected in the near term to retain ballot access.

Activities

State Level Activities

2013 STATE CONVENTION

A decision was made not to have a Region 3 Convention in place of individual state conventions, so Michigan is moving forward with its own convention planning.

Chairwoman Rockman-Moon is organizing a Convention Planning Committee in the hopes that having a team in place rather than one point person will provide greater success and less burnout in the convention planning process. This team will be formed by the end of December and will be tasked with securing a venue by the end of January with a planned convention date in June or July of 2013.

DETROIT CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL ART DISPLAY

LP Michigan recently had a large interactive display at Detroit Contemporary, a division of the Contemporary Art Institute of Detroit. The display was focused around political posters for the 2012 election and it was open to the public Nov 2, 2012 – Nov 9, 2012 with performances and discussions centered on the election.

Attn: KT Andresky Political Art
Detroit Contemporary
5141 Rosa Parks Blvd
Detroit, MI 48213

Local Level Activities



SIGN BOMBING

Local leaders coordinated to place 500+ Gary Johnson yard signs around the state in one day.

PROTEST IN BRIGHTON

Local affiliates held a protest in Brighton, MI when one of the local candidates was excluded from a forum. They had about 30 supporters show up for the protest.

LIBERTY FEST

Liberty Fest is an annual event in LP Michigan which is held by a different local affiliate each year. The purpose is to recognize dedicated members of LP Michigan. The event includes an award presentation for a Promoter of Liberty, a Defender of Liberty, and a Behind the Scenes Liberty Activist. This is a chance for LP Michigan leaders to congratulate and express their gratitude for the hardest working and most successful members and celebrate recent LP Michigan successes.

Finances & Fundraising

Past Initiatives

LP Michigan collected donations for the infamous Gary Johnson lawsuit against the state of Michigan for excluding him from the ballot for filing paperwork 3 minutes late.

LP Michigan collected donation for 3 billboards which were placed around the state, each with a "Vote Libertarian" message with LP Michigan logo on them.

Current Initiatives

None active

Future Initiatives

None planned currently

Media Coverage

LP Michigan candidates and court cases made the news many times during the November 2012 election cycle.

Candidate Bill Gelineau:

<http://abcnews.go.com/blogs/politics/2012/11/meet-the-gelineaus-michigans-libertarian-family-slate/>

Candidate Nick Sundquist:

<http://video.mountainlake.org/video/2293836727>

<http://michigan.onpolitix.com/news/162679/profile-nick-sundquist>

<http://www.wzzm13.com/video/default.aspx?bctid=1918316249001>

Candidate Scotty Bowman:

<http://www.gravispolls.com/2012/10/michigan-senate-poll.html>



Candidates Steve & David Afton:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/article/20121025/METRO/210250370/1409/metro/From-politics-professional-careers-brothers-share-ambition>

Information Technology

LPM currently uses a SharePoint platform for its website. LPM feels the appearance of their website is at about a 5/10 while the content is about a 7/10 because it is kept fairly current. The website is estimated to get about 50-100 hits per day.

LPM is evaluating multiple new web and database platform options with a target decision date of Dec 15, 2012.

Other

Legal Actions

The LPM LEC filed two lawsuits (in East and West Michigan) which were both appealed and dismissed repeatedly.

Ultimately, Gary Johnson was an official write-in candidate for president in Michigan.

Michigan was one of only two states in which Governor Johnson's name did not appear on the ballot; Oklahoma being the other state which did not even allow him as a write-in candidate.

Challenges

Ms. Rockman-Moon was able to motivate her team and increase their participation later in the 2012 election cycle, but her primary concern now that the election is over is finding ways to keep her team motivated and engaged so that the growth does not stop or decline. In her opinion, there is no time for a break – LP Michigan must continue to build on the current momentum.

Help Requested

Chairwoman Rockman-Moon is seeking help with affiliate support from the LNC in the areas of organization building, training, fundraising, and media outreach.



LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF OHIO



State Organization

Party Leadership Structure

ELECTED POSITIONS

Like the Republican and Democrat counterparts in Ohio, the Libertarian Party of Ohio (LPO) is managed by a state Central Committee (CentCom) which is a body of members elected through the formal election primary process.

The CentCom operates like a board of directors which elects the state Executive Committee (ExCom) which runs the day to day operations of the LPO.

After the most recent primary election, the state CentCom elected the following leaders to the ExCom:

- Chair: Kevin Knedler (kevin.knedler@lpo.org)
- Vice Chair: Bob Bridges (bob.bridges@lpo.org)
- Secretary: Daryl Olthaus (daryl.olthaus@lpo.org)
- Treasurer: Bryant Callaghan (bryant.callaghan@lpo.org)
- At-Large: Aaron Harris (aaron.harris@lpo.org)
- At-Large: Michael Johnston (michael.johnston@lpo.org)
- At-Large: Jillian A. Mack (jillian.mack@lpo.org)

APPOINTED POSITIONS

The LPO bylaws specify a divisional structure for the LPO and allow for the ExCom chair to appoint division directors to lead each division. The LPO believes the divisional structure provides a strong set of leaders, each of whom is focused on an area of expertise and responsibility. With this approach, no one person needs to know or be responsible for too many different activities.

The divisions and appointed leaders are as follows:

- Communication Division – Director Aaron Harris, Deputy Director John Fockler, Social Media Coordinator TBD
- Field Development Division – Director Brad Lowry, Deputy Director Jason Tyson
 - 9 regional liaison positions available (5 currently filled)
- Finance Division – Director Jillian A. Mack
- IT Division – Director Scott Pettigrew
- Political Division – Director Bob Bridges, Deputy Direct Paul D. Hinds

Office Space

The LPO maintains its two-room, fully-functional office of approximately 240 sq. ft. at 2586 Tiller Lane, Suite 2K, Columbus, OH 43231-2265.

Paid Staff/Contractors



The LPO currently has one paid contractor who is paid on a commission basis as Finance Director. The Finance Director is responsible for tracking and soliciting contributions, managing the benefits to the contributors, keeping personal contact with higher level donors, sending thank you cards, planning income-generating events and activities, etc.

State Level Membership

In Ohio, as an officially recognized political party by the SOS, membership is determined by the number of voters who request a Libertarian ballot in the primary election.

The LPO experienced surprising growth in membership between 2010 and 2012.

The LPO had legitimate concerns that it would lose a significant amount of registered Libertarians in 2012 due to the "Ron Paul Effect" (i.e., voters formerly registered as Libertarians who would request a Republican primary ballot so that they could vote for Ron Paul in the primary election). While the LPO did lose a number of voters because of the "Ron Paul Effect," it actually gained far more new registered Libertarians than it lost.

Over all, the LPO pulled equal votes from former Republicans and former Democrats, even more from former Independents, and a handful from the minor parties on the ballot (Socialist, Green, and Constitution).

Sub-Affiliates

Ohio law recognizes sub-affiliates by county. Ohio has 88 counties in total.

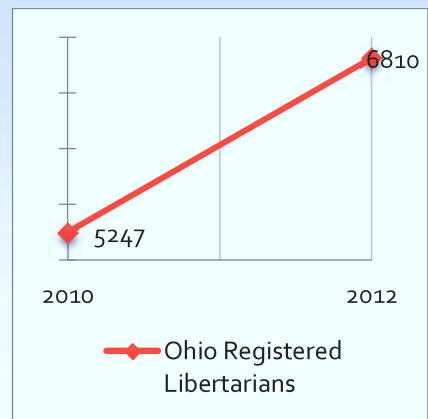
The LPO Field Development Division is responsible for growing county affiliate parties. It does this with a stepping stone model, first starting with County Development Groups (CDG's) which are technically part of the state party and not recognized by the state of Ohio.

Once the CDG has enough dedicated members, it begins the legal process of becoming a county affiliate which is officially recognized by the SOS and BOE as its own party organization, autonomous from the LPO, but still guided and assisted by the LPO as needed.

The LPO currently has 12 official county affiliates and 5 CDG's. This is a significant increase from 2008 when the LPO only had 2 official county affiliates and 5 CDG's.

2010-2012 MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

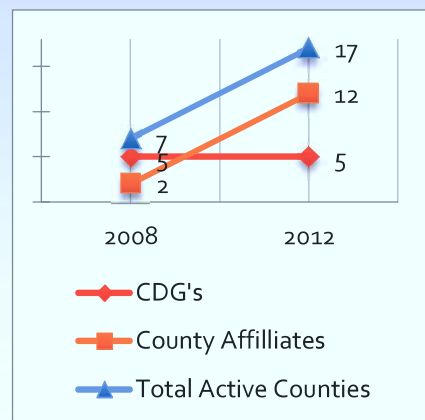
▲ STATE MEMBERSHIP UP 30%



2008-2012 SUB-AFFILIATE CHANGES

▲ COUNTY AFFILIATES UP 600%

▲ TOTAL ACTIVE COUNTIES UP 230%





Elections

Past Election Cycle (2012)

There were 23 LP candidates on the Ohio ballot in 2012. The LPO's goal is to exceed the previous cycle (4 year) each time.

2012 Presidential nominee Governor Gary Johnson came to Ohio 4 times:

- March 2012 Ohio LP Convention Fri-Sun
- June 2012 to Columbus Ohio Tea Party event and two fundraisers
- October 2012 to speaking events at University of Cincinnati and Centerville High School
- November 2012 to speaking events at BeaverCreek High School, Bowling Green, and Streetsboro.

Post nomination: 3 trips and 8 locations

Vs.

2008 with Bob Barr: 5 trips or 3 locations

The more county affiliates that the LPO has formed, the more locations the LPO can host our POTUS candidates; in 2008 we had 2 county affiliates and in 2012 we had 12 county affiliates.

Current Election Cycle (2013)

The LPO is now looking for 2013 candidates for local office and 2014 candidates for statewide offices with the expectation of providing the voters with the second statewide slate of Libertarian candidates in as many election cycles.

Ballot Access

Recent Ballot Access Activity

The LPO had ballot access in 2012, but not without ongoing challenges from the GOP.

The Ballot Access appeal in Federal Court was on July 24 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Ohio Assembly (led by the GOP), not the (GOP) Ohio SOS, was appealing the 6th circuit court ruling of October 2011 in which the court ruled in LPO favor once again.

The court ruled that decision of the court last fall was moot so therefore they dropped the latest case. Ultimately this just means that there is still no clearly established law on petitioning requirements to get the LP label on the ballot.

Upcoming Ballot Access Activity

2008-2012 CANDIDATE STATS

▲ NUMBER OF CANDIDATES UP
230%





Just after the November 2012 election, LPO Chairman Knedler instructed Political Director Bob Bridges to get a directive issued from the SOS within the next couple of months, which clarifies that the LPO is still a valid party and should be allowed on the ballot in 2013 (since no clearly defined law currently exists).

Before the middle of 2013, the LPO will start requesting a directive or other action from the SOS regarding 2014, because the LPO plans to have its 2014 statewide candidates lined up by Memorial Day of 2013 and needs assurances of 2014 ballot access in the absence of any constitutional legislation from the state assembly.

Activities

State Level Activities

2ND TEAM BUILDING EVENT: LPO FIELD DEVELOPMENT & GJ2012 OHIO

In August, the LPO held a 2nd coordination / team-building event between LPO leaders and the GJ2012 team. There were about 20 people in attendance at the second event which continued its focus on understanding LPO organization structure, GJ2012 campaign structure, the tools available from the LPO, and how the GJ2012 team can request and obtain assistance from the LPO. This was another very successful effort similar to the 1st event.

GOVERNOR GARY JOHNSON VISTED OHIO TWO MORE TIMES

Governor Gary Johnson visited Ohio in October of 2012 and November of 2012.

Gov. Johnson spoke at events at the University of Cincinnati and Centerville High School in October with record crowds.

Those previous record crowds were shattered in November of 2012 when Gov. Johnson spoke at Beaver Creek High School to over 600 participants, at a community event in Bowling Green to over 200 attendees and countless media outlets/interviews, and at a community event in Streetsboro with over 720 attendees and crazed fans who discovered the location of his hotel and showed up all day trying to meet him and get his autograph. The consensus was that Gov. Johnson had officially reached "rockstar" status in Ohio!

ANNUAL LPO PICNIC

The LPO held its annual picnic on July 28th at the Tiller Lane complex (where its offices are located). The picnic was family friendly with plenty of food and drink, and featured the always popular fundraiser, "pie in the face of your favorite LPO leader." The LPO also used a "dunk tank for your LPO leaders" as a new fundraiser which also proved financially successful. The event had a net income of about \$1,100 including attendance fees, games, and goods sold.

Local Level Activities

COUNTY FAIRS

The local affiliates had a presence at 5 county fairs (at least), all with very good attendance and successful outreach for new volunteers.

UPCOMING TRAINING AND TEAM BUILDING

The LPO plans to ramp up its local and regional team meetings with training and team building to continue the upward trend in county affiliate formation and local activism.



Finances & Fundraising

The LPO is in a strong financial position again this year, and is undertaking a new initiative to specifically target potential high-dollar contributors. Finance Director Jillian A. Mack is heading up this project and will report on the successes and failures of the endeavor once the campaign is complete.

Phone banking is currently going on in Ohio with 2-3 active phone bank workers making calls on a daily basis to registered Libertarians in the state, raising voter awareness of LPO activities, trying to get voters engaged in the LPO or in local affiliates, and asking for donations.

Media Coverage

LPO leaders, Governor Gary Johnson, and Judge Jim Gray have been featured guests on a number of radio shows and TV newscasts throughout the state in the past several months. Based on the incomplete list of media coverage below, the LPO is proving that it is learning how to arrange media coverage for big events in Ohio.

- Columbus radio host Brian Wilson had Gov. Johnson on his show 5 times and Judge Gray on 1 or 2 times (WSPD).
- The LPO ran radio commercials in Columbus, Lima, and Cincinnati to promote the LPO and local candidates.
- LPO IT Director / Warren County Chair Scott Pettigrew sat on a televised panel with local Fox News host Ben Swann. The panel was a Q&A session for undecided voters who were able to ask questions of a representative of the Libertarian Party, the Democratic Party, and the Republican Party of Ohio.
 - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EHpvqH4Ckr8&feature=g-upl>
- NorthwestOhio.com: "Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson speaks in Bowling Green"
 - <http://www.northwestohio.com/news/story.aspx?id=820870#.UKLJ34fuXng>
- HudsonHubTimes.com: "Libertarian presidential nominee Gary Johnson to visit Streetsboro"
 - <http://www.hudsonhubtimes.com/news/article/5224619>
- Boston.com: "Gary Johnson's Closing Statement In Ohio"
 - http://boston.com/community/blogs/less_is_more/2012/11/gary_johnsons_closing_statemen.html
- The Review Online: "President Obama, Bill Clinton set Ohio stop"
 - <http://www.reviewonline.com/page/content.detail/id/262444/President-Obama--Bill-Clinton-set-Ohio-stop.html?isap=1&nav=5038>
- TheGatewayNews.com: "Libertarian Presidential hopeful Gary Johnson shares vision for country in Streetsboro"
 - <http://www.thegatewaynews.com/news/slideshow/5226460>
- World News on RFI: "Interview with the Libertarian presidential candidate Gary Johnson"
 - <http://www.english.rfi.fr/americas/20121103-interview-libertarian-presidential-candidate-gary-johnson>
- Toledo Blade: "Libertarian campaigns to 150 at Bowling Green nightclub"
 - <http://www.toledoblade.com/Politics/2012/11/03/Libertarian-campaigns-to-150-at-Bowling-Green-nightclub.html>
- Toledo Free Press: "Libertarian candidate Johnson speaks in Bowling Green"
 - <http://www.toledofreepress.com/2012/11/02/libertarian-candidate-johnson-speaks-in-bowling-green/>
- Examiner.com: "Libertarian presidential candidate visits the swing state of Ohio tomorrow"
 - <http://www.examiner.com/article/libertarian-presidential-candidate-visits-the-swing-state-of-ohio-tomorrow>



Information Technology

The LPO is evaluating a number of IT platform options to upgrade their website and database. A platform decision is expected before the end of 2012 with implementation expected in early 2013.

Other

Chairman Knedler is a strong advocate for national budget dollars to be allocated to rebuilding the Libertarian Party Brand/Image, Affiliate Support, and IT. A summary of his points can be found below, but Appendix A is a direct message from him to the LNC regarding these and other critical points about the actions and future direction of the LNC.

Rebuild LP Brand/Image

The message is principled and solid, but the brand/image that the general public has of the “product” is missing the mark. Either people don’t know who we are or they have a misconception about who we are. Chairman Knedler would like to see consumer focus groups, a marketing plan which should include a focus on the youth and re-branding ourselves as “cool”.

Affiliate Support

Chairman Knedler believes that a critical task for 2013 is allocating funds to support trainers to visit states or regions to provide seminars, how-to guides, and general assistance and leadership in the areas of organization building, volunteer recruitment, candidate recruitment and vetting, media outreach, etc.

IT Upgrades/Services

Chairman Knedler would like to see a national platform that is available to the states and makes it easy to interface with national for data exchange.

Appendix A: Message to the LNC from Ohio Chairman Knedler

A message to the Libertarian National Committee, November 2012

From: Kevin Knedler, Ohio LP Executive Committee Chair; former member of the LNC 2010 thru 2012; and winner of the Samuel Adams Award in 2010.

I write this as a result of seeing recent emails on the state chairs list, seeing the recent comments from the national office on campaigns in both Indiana and Ohio, plus a post-election story about Gary Johnson on IPR.

WHERE is the LIBERTARIAN PARTY in 2016?

FOCUS and BUDGET MONEY NOW

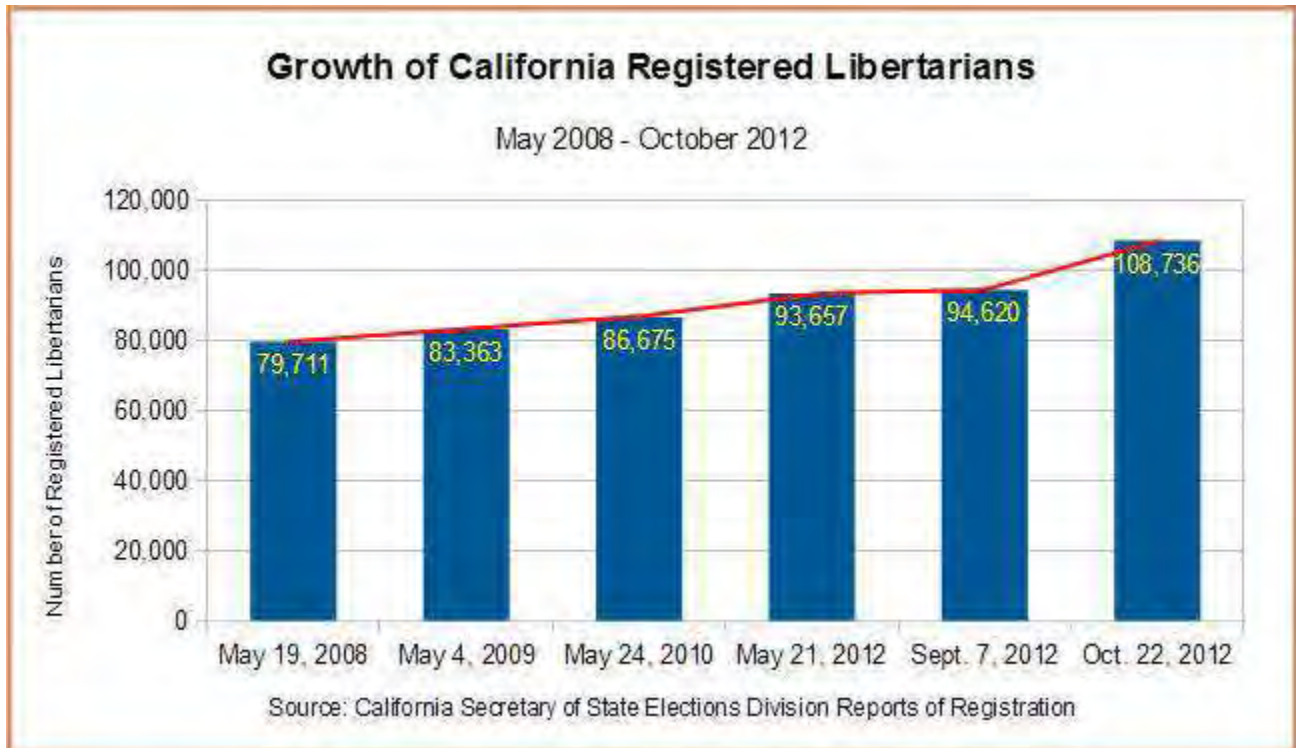
- Rebuild the Libertarian Party BRAND and improve COMMUNICATION
 - The message stays principled and the message is fine
 - We need the LP Brand to be repackaged
 - We need a marketing plan
 - We need consumer focus groups
 - We need to market ourselves to Generation Y Millennials and younger
 - We need the LP to be “cool” and “hip” to voters OUTSIDE of the LP



- We need the LP National office totally onboard with this
 - We need to consider hiring a professional marketing team or find talent inside the LP
- We need IT development NOW
 - Same issue I pushed back in 2011
 - Very frustrated with all the drama and posturing
 - A national platform available for states to use and interface with national
 - Get out of the 20th century and into the 21st century
- Affiliate Support is critical for the states to succeed
 - Agree that many states don't have leadership and organization in place to succeed for Federal candidates and LP POTUS team
 - Build a field team and put them in the regions and states
 - Training on LEADERSHIP, BUILDING ORGANIZATIONS
 - Training on IT, DATABASE, SOCIAL MEDIA, FUNDRAISING
 - Make training available online
 - We go outside and hire professionals or find talent inside the LP
- Fundraising
 - Create a vision and direction the national party wants to go
 - Target projects for the future and again present a marketing plan
 - If we need a building fund, PLEASE agree to a price range we want and then AGREE to a set amount of money we have in the bank, BEFORE we even start to look. I would rather prefer this approach to setting calendar deadlines
 - PLEASE implement the new contribution levels that were approved in 2011. No more excuses
- The LNC and staff
 - Accept that the LNC does not have all the answers via the Board Members
 - But, they have the ability to secure talent AND funding
 - Need to change the culture NOW and get with building a plan and vision
 - Set goals and expectations, and measure results of LP staff
 - No more talk about the LP being a "spoiler". Please, we EARN votes
 - More talk about Roberts Rules and the "paper shuffle" at LNC meetings does nothing to drive the LP Brand—NOTHING
 - It reminds me of the hamster on the spinning wheel in the cage. All that energy is used but at the end of the day the hamster is still in the same place
- If the LP does not get with it and address the above, I will make some predictions:
 - The LP will continue to be irrelevant in the minds of most voters in the USA
 - The LP will NOT attract or retain top-level candidates. IE: Gary Johnson
 - The LP will be REPLACED by a new alternative party that appeals to the mainstream voters of America—the middle of America which is fiscally responsible and socially accepting
 - The LP might continue but would not grow and could wither and die
- So, where will the LP be in 2016?
- Will it be like that hamster?
- Or worse, will it be like the dinosaurs that didn't adapt to a changing environment?
- Time to get serious

REGION 4 REPORT – CALIFORNIA HIGHLIGHTS – November 2012

California's Libertarian voter registration numbers have increased by **15%** to 108,736, according to the most recent California Secretary of State's Elections Division [Report of Registration](#). The number reported is for the close of registration, October 22, 2012, fifteen days before the November 6th General Election.



The previous Report of Registration showed 94,620 registered Libertarians as of September 7th, which was sixty days prior to next week's election. During the forty-five days between September 7th and October 22nd, a net increase of **14,136** Californians registered to vote Libertarian. This exceeds the approximately 103 thousand registrants which would theoretically be necessary for the Libertarian Party to maintain ballot status in California (although the exact number is likely to change and won't be calculated until the end of 2014).

The following Libertarian Party incumbents were re-elected to non-partisan offices in California:

- Vice-Mayor John Inks, Mountain View City Council, who is in line to be appointed Mayor upon his return to City Council duties (Santa Clara County)
- Kate O'Brien, Rancho Simi Parks and Recreation Commission (Ventura County)
- Brian Holtz, Purissima Hills Water District Board (Santa Clara County)
- Jonathan Hall, District 1, Tehachapi-Cummings Water District Board (Kern County)
- Jason Gonella, Lake Los Angeles Town Council, Seat 7 (Los Angeles County)
- Thomas Medvitz, Lakeside Community Planning District (San Diego County)

- Linda Strom, Lakeside Community Planning District (San Diego County)

On a disappointing note, Calaveras County Supervisor Tom Tryon lost his re-election bid. But then all things must eventually end: After serving 28 years on the Calaveras County Board, Tom had been seeking his eighth term as Supervisor.

California's voters sided with the LPC on the following ballot propositions:

- Prop. 31: Defeated – Would have created a two-year budget cycle
- Prop. 36: Passed – Modifies “Three Strikes” Law
- Prop. 37: Defeated – Would have required mandatory labeling of genetically modified food
- Prop. 38: Defeated – Molly Munger's state income tax increase

Unfortunately California's voters disagreed with the LPC on the following ballot propositions:

- Prop. 30: Passed – Jerry Brown's sales & income tax increase
- Prop. 32: Defeated – Would have banned automatic mandatory deductions from wages by unions and corporations to be used for politics
- Prop. 33: Defeated – Would have allowed insurers to offer discounts to new customers
- Prop. 34: Defeated – Would have replaced the death penalty with life imprisonment
- Prop. 35: Passed – Adds further penalties and limitations on registered sex offenders
- Prop. 39: Passed – Increases income taxes for multi-state businesses
- Prop. 40: Passed [LPC took no position] – Continues State Senate redistricting via commission rather than by court-appointed officials

Region 5 North Report

Even being the most geographically compact region, jumping into campaign season didn't foster communication among us, as everyone was busy.

Every state except VT had to deal with a major petition drive, in some cases the largest one ever undertaken. Every affiliate completed the drive and ran candidates, in some cases very active campaigns or more candidates than in several years. There were also ballot questions interesting to Libertarians.

Results were mixed, but at least we now have active affiliates in the entire northeast. Each face their own challenges and opportunities. A few states managed to double or triple vote totals and vote percentages from the previous election, remarkable given this was a presidential year.

The high density of colleges and universities and the great number of private schools provide an opportunity for student outreach and speaking on free market education reforms. The region is home to a lot of high technology, primarily software, manufacturing and biotech firms. A choice demographic for supporters. Obamacare's new medical device tax will have a big impact on the industry here. Some major insurance and financial companies are based here, they will be impacted by the ACA and Dodd-Frank.

Goals for 2013 include more coordination and communication among the seven affiliates. In 2011, NH and MA held a joint conference which featured a presidential debate and some great panels on many topics. There is hope we can do something like that again, ideally focusing on workshops, sharing knowledge, and social activity.

Lots of opportunities, but can rebuilding affiliates take advantage of them? We have to do our own strategic planning for where we put resources.

In 2013, New Jersey has state-level elections, Connecticut and New Hampshire have local elections. Major regional events of interest to Libertarians include the NH Liberty Forum in February and the Porcupine Freedom Festival in June.

This report focuses on YTD membership, affiliate activity, social media, the campaigns, election results and comparison to 2010/2008, and each affiliate's near- and long-term plans for 2013, highlighting the opportunities and challenges it faces.





LPCT State Committee will meet on Nov 27th to go over everything that happened on the campaign and build institutional knowledge for next election cycle, including a detailed petitioning plan and model contract for future petitioners. State Chair Dan Reale sent a detailed report of events to the statechair's list and elsewhere that is well worth reading, especially concerning petitioning, voter outreach, and handling the next campaign.

Petition Drive

The LPCT raised more than \$55,000 for its ballot access drive! Unfortunately, the cost of raising the money was 40-45%, including expenses, postage, etc. The average donation was \$60. Many pledges didn't materialize, although our fundraiser expected 90%+ to come in. Our fundraiser stopped performing almost entirely the last week of July. Overall, the fundraiser did well considering that his list was tapped for the third time for the CT effort. Reale's congressional campaign took the initiative to thank donors by mail and phone.

Both National LP and Gary Johnson Campaign did not contribute to the drive until mid July (the 11th hour). This dramatically increased cost per sig and logistics due to need to hire 10 extra petitioners at the last minute (all requiring a witness, car, hotel, etc). This impacted GOTV and the important difference in signs LPCT could have purchased. We saved money by establishing residence for a few petitioners, but production goals were not met in June, so these savings were all but canceled out.

There were a total of seven police incidents involving petitioners. Overall validity rate improved from 2008. LPCT was able to purchase a sufficient quantity of signatures for the following races: President, Senate, Congress District 2, State Senate 20.

Congress District 5 – SoS refused to count half the petition pages because, although they were in the office, the clock said “4:01 PM”. Our candidate declined to take legal action, reasoning that SoS' decision took the wind out of his campaign's sails.

General Assembly District 9 – SoS erroneously applied CGS §9-380 to calculate the requirement, which effectively tripled the requirement. District 9 was changed only geographically and was not a newly created office. §9-380 only applies to newly created offices. Our candidate decided to take legal action, but no court date was scheduled in time to change the ballots for the election.

The ballot drive and the campaign left the LPCT with a sizable list for future campaigns (7,000+ potential donors, the vast majority with an address, approximately 4,000 with a phone number and approximately 4,000 with an email) and the infrastructure to handle large amounts of capital. We now accept credit and debit cards.

Connecticut Campaigns

The Headquarters was an important milestone for the LPCT, serving a dual role for the party and Reale's campaign. Established two phone lines, had two full time staff and raised more than \$10,000. While the HQ did serve its purpose and raised our profile, the amount of work it required, its location and cost (counting time and money) were moderately prohibitive. It yielded more positives than negatives.

2012 was the first year Libertarians were able to deploy more than 500 yard signs in prominent locations. We continued to maintain a consistent media presence.

Hurricane Sandy did not allow enough signs to be out in enough major areas in addition to each individual polling place. Sandy also significantly disrupted last minute outreach and fund-raising. It also led to the cancellation of two congressional debates. One debate was televised across the state.

The top of the ticket sets the pace and the tone.

The Republican Primary functioned as expected – Ron Paul, Inc, the Tea Party, etc can make all the noise they want until the primary is over. Then it's Lucy yanking the football from Charlie Brown. We added 2012's Ron Paul campaign to that of Schiff's and others in 2010 and Ron Paul's initial run in 2008.

Wedge issues (ie, abortion, the drug war, same sex marriage) continue to plague our ability, albeit to a lesser degree than before, to set the pace and the tone of the debate. This historic problem continues to detract from our ability to address the issues that matter to the electorate by precluding a meaningful discussion of those issues.

Our engagement of the public was far more targeted (as in we went for those more likely to be involved and stay involved in politics) than a generic shotgun approach (historical). More importantly, it moved well beyond a strictly Libertarian audience.

Due to late arrival of signs, there were areas of CT we were not able to reach. Student outreach exceeded past efforts, however, it is still in its embryonic stages. Reale campaign built a list of PACs. Unfortunately, it wasn't completed in time to make a decent pitch for funds.

Due to ballot drive costs and time consumption, we had virtually no direct, individual contact GOTV effort. Also due to ballot access time consumption and lack of candidate experience, campaigns have been unable to locate key staff (at a minimum, a treasurer and/or a campaign manager).

<u>President</u>			<u>Congress, CD-2</u>		
Barack Obama	898,533	58%	Joe Courtney (D)	189,591	66%
Mitt Romney	615,833	39%	Paul M. Formica (R)	87,828	30%
Rocky Anderson	19,399	1.25%	Colin Bennett (G)	3,629	1.2%
Gary Johnson	12,243	0.8% (<i>need 1%</i>)	Daniel J. Reale (L)	3,504	1.2%
<u>US Senate</u>			<u>CT State Senate, District 20</u>		
Christopher S. Murphy (D)	792,688	54%	Andrea L. Stillman (D)	23,198	60%
Linda E. McMahon (R)	647,567	44%	Mike Doyle (R)	14,652	38%
Paul Passarelli (L)	25,059	1.7%	Marc Guttman (L)	512	1.3%

The Future

It is LPCT chair's opinion we should discourage the idea of only running to educate, or to maintain ballot access, or merely influencing the race instead of winning it. For *all* races, even if it means not nominating a candidate. The "1-percenter" philosophy wastes ballot access and drags entire ticket down by eroding credibility, same for building an organization that would have otherwise already obtained office. It took a monumental effort just to overcome the "1%er/run only to educate" stigma to maintain ballot access.

No more focusing only on Libertarians when it comes to outreach. No more opening with divisive 1-5% issues. Continue targeting and having a dialog with the politically active, let them get to know us over cycles. It's necessary to point out the errors of two party thinking (getting involved in a primary is counterproductive to their interests, wastes their time and money), but simply leave it at that and let the target audience have at it. Keep the door open.

Strategy to address polarization of the electorate. Even though GOP had no possibility of winning Connecticut, we were unable to convince most Democrat leaning voters to give us a shot because they were afraid the GOP might actually win. Our approach:

- A logical but simple and short proof that the CT GOP no longer functions and poses them no electoral threat whatsoever.
- A showing of more fund-raising early in a campaign and active use of those funds to do far more outreach.
- Show we are here via a direct, individual contact GOTV. Robocalls work, and now we know how to raise money, pay for a GOTV effort that incorporates robocalls.

Create a LPCT Young Libertarians group directed by a Campus Coordinator. The CC shall appoint School Coordinators at each college and vet candidates for all Student Gov't positions, and present those candidates to the LPCT for endorsement. We need to make sure that Campus Coordinator is adequately mentored and trained like a sales person.

Mail fundraisers at least three times a year. Our conventions are no longer an adequate source of revenue as they historically were. Conventions should be focused on party business far more than fund-raising. Enter into a long term contract with a permanent fundraiser.

Find or recruit and nominate a candidate for governor no later than mid 2013. That race, with 1% of the vote, will permanently solve the problem of ballot access.

Find and recruit candidates to run at the top of the ticket in municipal 2013 races in the following cities: Hartford, Stamford, Norwalk, Danbury, Norwich, New London, New Haven.

In 2014 run, focus more on PACs well in advance. We at least have a list of PACs now.

Require anyone who wants to be nominated to run in a major race must first run in a minor race unless they have in fact run in a major race before.

Recruit, very specifically, treasurers for campaigns. For now, begin on a volunteer basis. Eventually, and if need be, the LPCT should consider hiring someone when funds exist to serve as a general treasurer to its candidates until such time as it becomes impractical because the party has grown to a point where such a need will take care of itself.

Continue the practice of maintaining a headquarters with an independent phone line during an active campaign season.



Ballot Access

LPME did not have ballot access coming out of the 2008 or 2010 election. Our candidates did not get 5% of the vote to achieve it this year. To obtain it for 2014 we need to start all over again and get 4,000 valid signatures at a cost of roughly \$15,000.

Campaign Activity

Supported referendum to allow the State of Maine to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples. Andrew Ian Dodge had some early success with media coverage.

Election Results

Gay Marriage amendment passed, a historic first. We did less badly than 2008 and 2010. Barr was not on the ballot in 2008.

President

Gary E. Johnson (L)	9,235	1.31%
Barack Obama (D)	398,071	56.36%
Mitt Romney (R)	290,795	41.17%
Jill Stein (G)	8,199	1.16%

US Senate

Danny Francis Dalton (N)	6,455	0.93%
Cynthia Ann Dill (D)	91,658	13.15%
Andrew Ian Dodge (L)	5,558	0.8%
Angus King (I)	368,782	52.91%
Charles E. Summers (R)	214,201	30.73%
Stephen M. Woods (I)	10,325	1.48%

The Future

Great disappointment that we failed to get 5% and have to go back to square one!

Our next state board meeting is in January.

No set plans at this time for our state convention.

There are no local or special elections in the first half of 2013.

Start making detailed plans for the future.

Continue to build organizational structure and concentrate on fundraising.

Still evaluating our opportunities. The interest and activity level of Libertarians in Maine is higher than 2008 and 2010 but less than 5% of the electorate.

Major Challenge: Money! We are wholly inadequate for fundraising, it is our number one goal.

Top Three Needs: Fundraising, Communications, Get out the vote.



Membership

The LPMA has a separate state membership from national, which is holding steady at 120. We wanted to participate in Double the LP but had no spare time or organization resources for it.

Ballot Access

Massachusetts requires signature petitions for all offices except recognized party candidates for President. We had ballot access after 2008, but not 2010.

LPMA does not have ballot access coming out of 2012. We can get ballot access after 2014 if a statewide office gets 3% of the vote, or by roughly tripling our current voter registration numbers. However, doing so will at least double, if not triple, the expense of collecting signatures for all down-ticket offices.

Campaign Activity

We did put Gary Johnson on the ballot, completing a major petition drive.

We supported Dan Fishman for Congress in MA-6 (north coast).

The LPMA did not officially support any ballot questions.

We attended the Freedom Rally and Pride Festival, as we do every year. Hosted Judge Gray at the Freedom Rally, where he spoke for a few minutes about the importance of voting third party because we actually support legalization.

Other than election activity, there isn't much to report since the summer.

Election Results

Gary Johnson received a total of 30,538 votes for 0.976%. That is more than twice our total number of registered Libertarian voters. In 2008, Bob Barr got 12,999 votes, for 0.4%. We more than doubled that this cycle!

Also in 2008, former state committee member Bob Underwood ran for US Senate, and got 94,727 votes for 3.18%. There was no Senate race in 2010, and we did not have a Senate candidate this year.

Dan Fishman got 16,668 votes for 4% in a race that was ultimately decided by 3,650 votes. In 2010, current state committee member Bob Clark ran for Congress in MA-5, and got 1,986 votes for 0.9% of the total. Dan Fishman got more than 8 times as many votes!

It is likely that we cost the Republicans a one seat gain in the House. More importantly, we cost the Republicans any foothold they were hoping to find at increasing their influence in Massachusetts.

Question 3 (medical marijuana), passed by a 26 point margin!

In 2008, marijuana was partly decriminalized, and this year we saw strong support for medicinal use. We are making great strides toward full legalization.

The Future

Our next state convention will be in October 2013, mostly likely near Worcester.

There are no upcoming elections for the first half of 2013 with the possible exception of some special elections.

Chairman Blau is in the process of restructuring the organizational layout in an attempt to provide focus for our activists and get them more involved. This is going very well, and we now have about 10 volunteers ready to work full-time on party business.

Our first quarter goal is to fill out the new org structure and ensure that everyone has enough work to do. Build camaraderie.

Putting this new structure in place is our main need to reach the next level. I've brought on board several people who are good at filling out structure and placing volunteers into different roles. Now we need to ensure that everyone has enough work to keep them interested.

Our long-term goals for the year are:

Recruit candidates for 2014. We are working on that now. No particular names at this time.

Reach out to elected officials regarding new legislation.

Develop local party chapters.

Expand our activist base.

Major Opportunities

Party growth. There is a great deal of Libertarian enthusiasm in Massachusetts and we've been getting a lot of interest from activists. We just need to fit that into an organizational structure that can leverage all of their talent.

We would rate the interest and activity level of local Libertarians as very high. We just need to capitalize on it.

Major Challenges

Marketing our message. We need to be more effective at spreading the word and letting people know that they have a viable alternative to the two-party duopoly.



Membership

Our national membership number has remained steady around 150. There seems to be very little appeal for the national party among the local libertarian population. LPNH did participate in the Double the LP campaign, sending out several emails and tweets.

The LPNH has a separate state-party membership. Thanks to the great work of our membership director, Tom Sweeney, that membership is up 144% for the year! In spite of numerous difficulties with Paypal. Had those been avoided we'd likely be closer to 200%.

Social Networking and Media

We put great effort into social media and it has paid off. In January we had 209 members in our Facebook group and 250 Twitter followers. Now we have 287 Facebook members and 484 Twitter followers. Our engagement is high on both platforms.

Plans underway for a better Facebook setup and using other platforms like Google+ and Pinterest, and utilizing our Youtube, Flickr and LinkedIn accounts. Our intern has interest in social media and may be deployed there after redoing our outreach materials. Website needs a complete overhaul. Apparently NH is the one state without a free libertarian webdesigner.

General Activity

Short version of summer update: Legislature cut nomination time by 3 months. Recruited more candidates than we've had in years. Some districts have up to 6 L's on ballot! Went to Porcfest, promoting Gary Johnson to attendees from across the country. Spoke at NH Pride Day, got press mention. Massive petition drive finished. LPNH is only political organization in history of NH to have completed this process. It got TV and newspaper coverage. Jim Gray and Gary Johnson make several appearances over the next week. Early polling has Johnson and Brendan Kelly for Congress at 9%.

We hoped this early coverage was a sign of things to come. It wasn't. We were also promised major endorsements after the D&R primaries. They never came. Calls were ignored.

We again experienced active media censorship of our campaigns until near the end. We managed to get around some of it with social media, our own videos and some friendlier minor media, but overall they still hate us. We got the runaround again on the debates after we met the criteria established two years ago. Once the mainstream media coverage came, we shared the articles with everyone. They were interested in Johnson and Gray.

All of our activity was geared around campaigns. Campaign office hosted weekly meetups, had free yard signs available at all times. Due to lack of participation and donations we could not do as much as we wanted or planned. Work schedules often got in the way of campaigning, esp without focused help. The Ron Paul cohort was still pushing his candidacy after the GOP convention, even calling voters for a write-in campaign.

NH Campaigns

The actual campaign experience was a mixed bag. We had our most active congressional candidates in several elections, which helped build up support and credibility. Governor's race had less activity, which is too bad. As chair, I saw little activity, no one answered my calls for help, even when made in person. Candidates had a different perspective, which is good.

Partly because of petitioning, overall we raised 1/10th the money for campaigning that we did in 2010. Once again, Ron Paul Inc sucked all the money out of the liberty movement. We made appeals to known libertarian fundraisers but none returned our messages. A few others were approached but they were all busy or not interested if they even answered.

Our initial plan was stymied when key promised endorsements never materialized. And volunteers failed to deliver on promised help. A few candidates also backed out without telling anyone, or just didn't feel like filing the paperwork, or didn't petition.

We had fierce competition for money and volunteers. It was like pulling teeth to even get people to a signwave until the final week. Local libertarians who haven't entirely dropped out of politics were far more interested in helping the pro-liberty GOP and Dem candidates. They'd rather back someone with a better chance to win. Good people, but it made it very hard for us to get the attention we needed to regain party status.

NH became a battleground state at all levels, which pulled votes away from us. At least we were called the kingmakers of the election. That did generate media interest.

Most of us were completely drained by the campaign. There was a noticeable shift when news broke of Gary breaking 1 Million votes, and reporting our relatively good results. Our post-election board meeting had several new members attend, looking to build on that momentum. It was wonderful to experience. They even helped pack up the campaign office.

NH Election Results

We had the first good news of the day. Gary Johnson got votes from the towns that vote at midnight. And got bonus news when his initial total was reported wrong, and he doubled his vote total. That story went semi-viral. For 12+ hours Gary had 4.5% of the popular vote!

I am pleased to report that ALL NH candidates increased the raw vote total AND vote percentage compared to the same seat in 2010! Two of them tripled the count and more than doubled the percentage! Right now there are 30K Libertarian votes in NH, or 4.5%. (Ron Paul got 56K in the primary with a supremely active GOTV.) We need to keep and push those votes up-ticket to regain party status.

We will have to petition again in 2014 unless we can get the law changed. Have a sponsor lined up for the bills already.

There is some preliminary data that shows our top of ticket did better where we had more Libertarians running. In some cases a lot better (parts of Manchester had 5 L on ballot, GJ and JB got 4% of the vote.) I used this prediction when asking everyone to run, even as a paper candidate. I'm hoping members will listen next time I tell them how important it is to run. Had we run another 20 candidates (which we could have done had the legislature not changed the law at the last minute), it's likely John Babiarz would have gotten 4% of the vote and we'd be a major party again, and Gary Johnson would have picked up another 1000 votes.

President: Bob Barr 2,217 0.3% [+531 for Phillies] (5 candidates)
 Gary Johnson 8,281 1.1% (~60% RP primary total from 2008)

<u>Comparison Races</u>	<u>2010 Votes</u>		<u>2012 Votes</u>		
John Babiarz (Gov)	10,089	2.2%	19,521	2.8%	<i>Needed 28K for party status</i>
Brendan Kelly (NH-1)	7,966	3.5%	14,968	4.3%	<i>Greater than MoV by 2K</i>
Hardy Macia (NH-2)	4,796	2.1%	15,779	4.7%	<i>w/in 1200 of MoV, 4 cand in 2010</i>

<u>Executive Council</u>			<u>NH State Senate</u>		
Howard Wilson (EC1)	6,402	5%	Rich Kahn (14)	1,466	5.7%
Mike Baldassarre (EC3)	6,178	4%	Rich Tomasso (16)	921	3.2% <i>MoV 390</i>
Ken Blevens (EC4)	5,841	5%			

<u>County Offices</u>			<u>NH State House</u>		
Darryl Perry (Reg Deeds)	1,951	5.2%	Aidan Ankarberg	112	5%
Max Abramson (Atty)	9,473	6.5%	Ian Freeman	1,485	10%
James Parker (Comisnr)	4,829	7.3%	Lisa Wilber	1,663	12% <i>MoV 1520</i>

The Future

First quarter goals: Redo our outreach material, update website, new social media, do town-by-town heat map of our vote percentage, strategic planning session with the new board, continue membership growth with more socials and activity, work on ballot access legislation.

State convention in January. Working on getting a speaker or some other draw.

Do something big at Liberty Forum in February beyond an exhibitor table.

NH has non-partisan town and school elections in March and April. Cities have non-partisan elections in November, with as many as 100 positions. Since NH (re)elects at least one Libertarian to local office every year, the plan is to recruit as many local candidates as possible. Specifically tell people thinking of running for state house/senate in 2014 to run locally in 2013.

Move to a Project Manager model for future action. No more "someone" taking care of things. Create responsibility and reward production. Move activity away from exec board.

Opportunities: With the Dems taking over the house, we have a chance at ballot access reform, plus some other laws like medical marijuana or even straight decrim. The soul-searching and fracturing within GOP gives us a chance to pull in the libertarian cohort, especially if party gets retaken by the old guard "conservatives".

Challenges: Members who won't return emails or phone calls or otherwise help in any way. Competition from all the other pro-liberty groups. Candidates with no support network. Libertarians that encourage people to vote NOTA or drop out of politics. Volunteers who flake out. No good prospecting or fundraising. Free stater Libertarians have given up on the LP.

Another pro-liberty party being formed by Free Staters and former Libertarians. I've held this off for 3 years but now there's little I can do about it. That was another reason regaining party status was so important. If this gains momentum it will drain away activist and financial resources available to us.



Membership

New Jersey has a separate state membership. Our numbers are up, but not drastically. We have 198 dues paid members as of the end of October. This is 2 members away from the high in 2009. We did not participate in Double the LP.

The number of registered libertarians took a huge jump. In June 2011 the state reported 1,451 registered libertarians. In October of 2012 they reported 1,899. This is a 30% increase. Note that we lost many Libertarian voters who registered Republican to support Ron Paul. Registering as a Libertarian doesn't really get us anything in NJ, it just means you can't vote in the primary.

Ballot Access

New Jersey did not have ballot access coming out of the 2008 or 2010 election. However getting on the ballot is easy in NJ compared to other states. We only need 800 signatures to get on a statewide ballot. We did that for the 2012 election.

Activity

Our Open Government Advocacy Project continues to get lots of press and does much, see <http://njlp.org/opengovernment> for details. I only pick up on a fraction of the work that John does on our website. His blog at <http://njopengovt.blogspot.com/> is much more extensive.

The NJ Open Government Advocacy Project was mentioned in the New Jersey Herald newspaper in regards to a lawsuit we filed against a school board for not disclosing information. Details on the lawsuit can be found at KWWL.com.

Our website has regular updates on local, state and national news, including important issues like official misconduct, news on debates, and letters to the editor.

We had a 40th Anniversary celebration recently. Turnout was awful. We put out a 40th anniversary newsletter, see <http://njlp.org/newsletters>

The overall activity and interest level is mixed. Many Libertarians are burned out and have become apathetic. It is hard to get activists to attend events.

NJ Campaign Activity

On October 17th, Ken Kaplan, our U.S. senate candidate, participated in a debate at Mercer Community College in Trenton.

The NJLP made two endorsements for ballot questions:

Question One asked for a \$750 million bond issue for college and university facilities. The NJLP urged a NO vote. New Jersey's debt burden is already the fifth highest in the nation.

Question Two would amend the NJ State Constitution to require judges to pay more towards their pensions and healthcare. The NJLP recommended voting YES.

NJ Election Results

Gary Johnson – 19,483 votes – 0.6% (10 candidates on the ballot. Gary came in third).

Ken Kaplan, U.S. Senate – 15,169 votes – 0.5% (11 candidates. Ken came in third).

John Ordille, US House District 2 – 2,498 votes – 0.9% (five candidates)

Len Flynn, US House District 6 – 1,228 votes – 0.5% (five candidates)

Patrick MckKnight, US House District 7 – 3,654 votes – 1.3% (four candidates)

Mick Erickson, US House District 10 – 1,126 votes – 0.5% (four candidates)

These results are roughly in line with the past two elections. In 2009, we only got 4,830 votes (0.2%) for Ken Kaplan for Governor, so he did much better this time.

Both ballot questions were approved, so a draw for our endorsements.

The Future

There are no local or other elections held before June.

In 2013, New Jersey has a Gubernatorial race and all 80 Assembly Seats and all 40 State Senate seats are up for election.

Our 2013 convention has not yet been scheduled.

Rhode Island

The Rhode Island affiliate is still rebuilding, but did have several members interested in running for office. A very small pool of members managed, with outside help and money, to finish the petition drive. Based on reported results only two candidates made it onto the ballot: Gary Johnson and Mike Rollins.

President

Barack OBAMA (DEM)	279244	62.7%
Mitt ROMNEY (REP)	157088	35.3%
Gary JOHNSON (Lib)	4380	1.0%
Jill STEIN (GRN)	2416	0.5%
Virgil GOODE (Con)	430	0.1%
Rocky ANDERSON (Jus)	416	0.1%
Peta LINDSAY (SL)	131	0%

State Senate District 4

Dominick J. RUGGERIO (DEM)	7035	66.3%
John D. RICOTTILLI (IND)	2922	27.5%
Michael J. ROLLINS (Lib)	614	5.8%

Vermont

Despite having full ballot access, the Vermont LP did not run any federal or statewide candidates in 2012. VTLP did run two candidates in 2010. Karen Kerin ran for Attorney General and got 5,686 votes or 2.8%.

Barack Obama	144,915	65.70%
Mitt Romney	70,692	32.05%
Gary Johnson	2,469	1.12%
Rocky Anderson	796	0.36%
Peta Lindsay	454	0.21%

REGION 5S REPORT

Submitted to: Libertarian National Committee, Nov. 13, 2012

Submitted by: James W. Lark, III

Region 5S Representative, Libertarian National Committee

This report will provide information concerning activities of the Libertarian Party state affiliates in Region 5S since the LNC meeting in July of this year. I shall provide an updated report at the LNC meeting in Arlington should additional information become available.

I am pleased to report that I have been able to represent the LP in various ways since the previous LNC meeting. For example, I continue to serve as a frequent guest on a two-hour political talk show that airs on weekdays on WINA radio (1070 AM in Charlottesville, Virginia).

Delaware

Brad Thomas (bradct@verizon.net) serves as chair of the Libertarian Party of Delaware. According to various sources, during this election LPD candidates set records for vote totals. Gary Johnson received about .9% of the vote; gubernatorial candidate Jesse McVay and U.S. House of Representatives candidate Scott Gesty received 1.0% and 1.1%, respectively.

Six LPD candidates ran for State Senate. James Cristina received the best percentage of those candidates; he received 7.6% of the vote in the 7th District. Seven LPD candidates ran for the state House of Delegates. Margaret Melson received 10.1% in the 14th District. LPD candidates also ran for lieutenant governor, insurance commissioner, Clerk of the Peace (Kent County), Clerk of the Peace (Sussex County), Sussex Council District 2, and the 5th Levy Court. Every LPD candidate received at least 1% of the vote.

District of Columbia

Ryan Sabot (ryan.sabot@delibertarians.org) serves as chair of the Libertarian Party of the District of Columbia. His predecessor Tim Vickey has evidently moved out of the District.

Bruce Majors received roughly 13,500 votes in his campaign for the position of DC delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives. Because of this, the LPDC is now a recognized political party in the District for the next four years. (Mr. Majors needed to receive at least 7,500 votes for the LPDC to achieve this goal.)

Maryland

Libertarian Party of Maryland chair Bob Johnston (bob.johnston@live.com) provided the following report:

The Maryland LP has 94 dues-paying members, as of 9/30/12.

According to the most recent voter registration report from the state Board of Elections, we have 10,308 registered voters.

The BOE kindly kept our registered voters while we were going through the petitioning and lawsuit, which they didn't have to do. In the past, once we lost our ballot access, we started back at zero.

We are running a full slate of candidates for the federal offices: 1 Senate and 8 House.

The Green Party, which also petitioned to get back on the ballot this year, is only running 1 House candidate and no Senate candidate. The MDLP has roughly 1,800 more registered voters than the Greens. The Constitution Party did not petition this year, and thus is not recognized.

Our candidates have been invited to most of the debates held; I would guess around 75%, including all of the League of Women Voters events.

Those running frequently get attention from the local media, but as usual, the major papers (Balto Sun, Wash Post and Examiner) and television stations have given us little if any coverage.

Dean Ahmad's campaign for US Senate has raised over \$14,780 as of this date, the most any MDLP candidate has raised in my tenure in the party.

As of the 3rd quarter FEC reporting period, this is the second largest amount raised, behind John Jay Myers of Texas.

Spear Lancaster spent over \$40,000 during his gubernatorial run in 2002, but most of that was his money and used to get on the ballot. Largely because of his efforts, candidates no longer have to petition to get on the ballot. Once the party is recognized, we can run candidates without petitioning.

Vote total information:

President/VP: Johnson/Gray 1,139,562 (1.0%, [National](#)) 27,714 (1.1%, [Md.](#))

U.S. Senator
Dean Ahmad 29,302 (1.2%)

U.S. Congress
1st: Muir Wayne Boda 11,939 (3.8%)
2nd: Leo Wayne Dymowski 8,750 (3.2%)
3rd: Paul W. Drgos, Jr. 10,342 (3.5%)
4th: Scott Soffen 5,729 (2.0%)
5th: Arvin Vohra 4,096 (1.3%)
6th: Nickolaus Mueller 9,259 (3.2%)
7th: Ronald M. Owens-Bey 7,628 (2.6%)
8th: Mark Grannis 6,624 (2.1%)

Added Nov. 9:

Dr. Ahmad's numbers have increased to 29,790 votes, as the BOE is still counting write-ins and provisional ballots. His result is the best ever for a statewide 3rd-party candidate in Maryland.

Gov. Johnson's total has risen to 27,870. This is the best ever result for an LP Presidential candidate in Maryland; it triples Bob Barr's 2008 numbers.

Bob Johnston
Chairman, MDLP

North Carolina

Libertarian Party of North Carolina chair J.J. Summerell (jjsummerell@worksiteinsight.net) provided the following report:

No real surprises in NC. We maintained ballot access (thanks to Barbara Howe's campaign for governor) so we'll still be able to use PPF funding in 2016. If I'm reading the numbers correctly, Barbara received more votes in NC than Gary did in NM! We meet 12/8 to start the planning process for 2013 – 2020. Planning and fundraising are priorities for next few months.

LOTS of new volunteers and potential candidates have stepped forward in the last few days. I hope to fill all vacancies on the Executive Committee on 12/8.

Pennsylvania

Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania chair Dr. Tom Stevens (drtomstevens@aol.com) provided the following report:

Petitions submitted for Gary Johnson/Judge Gray and our statewide candidates were challenged by the Pennsylvania Republican Party. We submitted over 49,000 signatures and needed only 20,601 yet we had to spend 9 weeks reviewing signatures in Philadelphia and Harrisburg, making motions, supplying volunteers, taking appeals and sending attorneys into a number of Courtrooms before we succeeded in defeating the challenge and guaranteeing our candidates a place on the ballot. It was an extraordinary effort by many dedicated volunteers. The decision has been made by the Johnson Campaign and our Statewide Candidates to seek costs and attorneys fees from the PA GOP.

Our Statewide Candidates all got more than 2% of the vote of the candidate getting the highest vote total so the Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania has regained "Minor Party" status in Pennsylvania. We are no longer an Independent Nominating Body, which status we had for the past two years.

Membership is up over 50% since I took office in April, 2012 (after a 5-year decline). All committees are now active and six new County Organizations are in the process of being formed or revived.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Tom Stevens
LPPA State Chair

Virginia

Libertarian Party of Virginia chair Chuck Moulton (chuck@moulton.org) provided the following report:

The Libertarian Party of Virginia submitted nearly 16,400 signatures on petitions to meet a requirement of 10,000 signatures statewide, including 400 valid signatures in each of 11 congressional districts (paid petitioners coordinated by Bill Redpath, volunteers and the turn-in coordinated by Jim Lark). We achieved this without any LP national funds, but unfortunately it left the LPVA nearly bankrupt. It is very unlikely the 2016 petition drive will be possible without LNC help. Republicans tried to challenge our petitions to throw Gary Johnson off the ballot, but the State Board of Elections ruled that there is no challenge system and we had enough valid signatures (thanks to Johnson campaign attorney Alicia Dearn for representing us before the Board).

Gary Johnson VA co-chairs Juanita Billings and Laura Delhomme coordinated an impressive volunteer effort promoting Gary Johnson, including campaign tours through Virginia by Gary Johnson and Jim Gray. As a result of their work, Gary Johnson received 30,570 votes in Virginia, which translates to 0.82%. This handily beats Ed Clark's total in 1980 (12,821 votes, 0.69%) – as well as Barr in 2008 (11,067 votes, 0.29%), Badnarik in 2004 (11,032 votes, 0.34%), Browne in 2000 (15,198 votes, 0.6%), and Browne in 1996 (9,174 votes, 0.38%).

In lower level races, Robert Kraus (operations director at LPHQ) ran a spirited campaign for Alexandria City Council this November and Justin Malkin ran actively for Virginia House of Delegates in a special election back in September. Both candidates generated impressive earned media as newspapers covered their campaigns and developed a passionate Facebook fan base. Robert changed the focus of the debate offering voters a tax rebate if spending could be reduced to 2007 levels. Kraus received 7,888 votes (2.88%), which was insufficient to win one of the 6 seats due to the Democrat landslide from enthusiastic presidential voters (in 2009 just 7,000 votes would have been enough to win). Malkin received 289 votes (3.42%). Xave Draper was unable to gather enough signatures to make the ballot for U.S. Congress (3rd district), but he persisted with a write-in campaign. All three candidates are contemplating future runs for office.

Additionally Virginia passed a ballot initiative (question 1) curbing eminent domain abuses.

Going forward the Libertarian Party of Virginia will be focusing on a membership drive to restore our accounts to healthy levels and candidate recruitment for the 2013 election, which includes House of Delegates races and governor.

Chuck Moulton
Chair, Libertarian Party of Virginia

West Virginia

Michael Wilson (michael.wilson@lpwv.org) serves as chair of the LPWV. The party's candidate for governor, David Moran, obtained the 1% of the vote necessary to secure "major party" status for the LPWV.

Evidently the LPWV has not held major party status since 2000. The success of Dr. Moran's campaign will allow the LPWV to place candidates on the ballot without the need for a petition drive.

Region 6 Report to the LNC

November 2012

Illinois: by Matt Ervin and Dianna Visek

At our convention in September, the LP-Illinois elected Matt Ervin as chair, Ken Prazak as vice-chair, Matt Skopek as treasurer and Maggie Kohls as secretary.

We have about 1600 members, six active chapters and one that is forming. Non-dues-paying members just have to request membership and provide valid contact information.

We are in a rebuilding phase after a downturn during the last two years. Our website will be revamped as part of this effort, and we hope to increase our fundraising. It seems that more people have heard the word "libertarian," but want us to define it.

Our ballot access lawsuit is now in the discovery phase. We identified only two issues amenable to litigation. After the case is finished we will have to resort to lobbying in order to improve our ballot access situation.

Gary Johnson received 54,798 votes or 1.1% of the total. The Green Party candidate received 0.6%, Obama 57.3% and Romney 41.1%. Michael Badnarik received 0.6% in 2004 and Bob Barr 0.4% in 2008.

The only candidate we have endorsed so far for the April elections is Lex Green for mayor of Bloomington, a non-partisan race. Mr. Green had to get 430 valid signatures and has had local media attention. In partisan races, we generally have to get ten times as many signatures as established parties would for the same race.

Iowa: no response

Minnesota: no response

Missouri: no response

Nebraska: no response

North Dakota: no response

South Dakota: no response

Wisconsin: no response

Regional Report For Region 7

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Alabama 188

Louisiana 127

Mississippi 69

Oklahoma 103

Texas 991

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Oklahoma

<http://www.oklp.org/>

"Officers
Seth Schuyler
Clark Duffe
Steve Long
Currently, the Secretary position is vacant."

The website provides no contact information for the party or officers.
I have one email only contact for the chair wheedler@gmail.com which has responded on rare occasion.

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That's more than I am going to sit and copy and paste here so I'll just list the officers.

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National Chair Geoff Neale also lives in Texas

PARTY BUILDING ACTIVITIES BY REGION REP JOHN JAY MYERS AND ALTERNATE PAUL FRANKEL

John ran a very active race for US Senate in Texas ...from his website
<http://johnjaymyers.com/>

"We raised \$15,000, traveled to East, West, and Central Texas, ran almost 600 TV ads, passed out 6000 flyers and door hangers, distributed 400 yard signs all over the state, and received 161,000 votes. " (2.1% - <http://www.lp.org/blogs/staff/libertarian-us-senate-results>)

He has also been one of the two people most instrumental in modernizing and extending the reach of the national LP's social media communications. Additionally, he is also active in LNC discussions.

As for me...since the last LP meeting in July I have:

- * Gathered several thousand signatures to get us on the ballot in Maryland, Alabama and West Virginia
- * Managed teams of petitioners in these and other states, and referred petitioners to other drives I could not get to
- * Provided consulting for the success of our national petition drives
- * Been probably the most active participant in LNC discussions (although I am just an alternate and don't normally get a vote)
- * Been one of the people doing the most to keep open lines of communication between the LNC and interested party members
- * Posted numerous articles at Independent Political Report and other outlets reporting on the progress of the LP and other alternative parties and independent candidates
- * Helped put up signs for Gary Johnson
- * Ran campus information tables several days, handed out literature and bumper stickers, scored quizzes
- * Went to various state, local and campus meetings and invited others
- * Been active in numerous online fora for LP and allies

ELECTION RESULTS AND STATE PARTY NEWS

Alabama

R
M. Romney
60.7% 1,252,453

D
B. Obama (i)
38.4% 793,620

I
G. Johnson
0.6% 12,283

I
J. Stein
0.2% 3,382

I
V. Goode
0.1% 2,961

Unfortunately, we did not have any other candidates on the ballot. Johnson was listed as an independent (the only other state where he was on the ballot where this was the case was Tennessee). The last time we had ANY candidate on the ballot listed as a Libertarian was a single State House candidate in 2006. The last time we had significant numbers of candidates on the ballot listed as Libertarians was 2000 and 2002. Libertarian presidential candidates in 2004 and 2008 were also listed as independents. This lack of ballot access had been the biggest problem for the Alabama LP. We have by far the highest barrier for retention in the nation - 20% in a statewide race, twice as hard as any other state. We also have a 3% petition requirement, which is second highest nationwide (behind Oklahoma, another state in our region).

In significant ballot measure results:

Mandatory health care coverage rejection YES 59%-41%

Alabama had some other party building since the last report. At that time we had reached a nadir of party activity and organization, with most of the committee having resigned or become inactive, no outreach activities taking place and the chairman feeling overwhelmed and not getting any significant help from anyone. Subsequent to that we had a state convention, elected a new slate of officers, held a number of outreach booths at public events, put out Johnson signs, completed the 2012 petition drive (funded by national) and started on 2014 (self-organized), had our best presidential results ever, have grown our facebook page "likes" quite a bit, have local groups in the works, and so on.

Note from State Chair Mark Bodenhausen: “ "Record turnout, over double what we did in 2008 [p: for president].

(Ballot Access) Lawsuit against state not going well, summary judgement not given, state wants a trial. Deposition of myself scheduled for Friday. Dan Johnson thinks we will have better time in the 11th Circuit Court."

Louisiana

Adrien Monteleone via State Chairs email list:

"We broke at least 12 records here tonight folks!! (you can find them posted at louisianalibertarian.net)

I'm sure the rest of you are seeing some similar 'success.'

We didn't get our 5%, but certainly, this was the most successful Presidential campaign ever.

Attached are our results. All are partisan races.

There are also two victories not listed here. We've elected two aldermen for the villages of Sykes and Atlanta in Winn Parish by virtue of them filing "unopposed." (they are multi-member districts with 3 each to be elected, however in Sykes, only 2 filed for office, and in Atlanta, only 3 filed. So their names were not printed on the ballot, and all were "deemed" elected. These are the first two public officials to be elected by the LP in Louisiana.)

We're going to take a breather, and then start focusing on our 2013 local races and building our parish organizations."

Secretary/Acting Treasurer Reed Ebarb via email:

"This year, we elected 2 Libertarians to public office. We ran congressional candidates in 5 out of 6 Congressional Districts who combined, received more than 124,000 votes. Our number of registered Libertarians has increased by more than 2,000 over the past year to more than 6,800. We aim to have more than 10,000 by the end of 2013. We are right now targeting the more than 100 offices up for election in 2013 in Louisiana. We hope to get more people elected to office in Louisiana and run many more small campaigns.

We continue to employ an Executive Director to help run day to day operations. We have applied for non-profit shipping status with the postal services to get a smaller mailing rate and we have also sent out over 1,000 fund-raising letters over the past few months. The activity of the Libertarian Party of Louisiana has exploded over the past year and due to some hard work on the part of state officers, the party has gone from being nearly inactive to being well run machine with activity on the state and local level.

Now that the election is over, we will not be taking a break but will instead be focusing on elections in 2013 and getting geared up for the 2014 elections. Our ballot access remains to be one of the best situations in the country and we see no major issues regarding ballot access in the near future.

As mentioned before, we are continuing to increase the number of registered Libertarians to make it harder for the legislature to even try to take ballot access from us. We have several party activists in North Louisiana that are interested in driving north to help Arkansas with their petition drive when they decide to launch it. Louisiana is no longer an inactive state party and is on the rise as one of the more active state affiliates in the South. --Reed Ebarb, LPL Secretary and Acting Treasurer

From the State Party Website: New Records

Total votes for all candidates - all races in a single election
142,452

Total votes for all U.S. House Candidates in a single election
124,477

Total votes for Presidential Electors
Gary Johnson & James P. Gray — 17,975

Highest percentage for Presidential Electors
Gary Johnson & James P. Gray — 0.92%

Total votes for any candidate
Randall Lord — 61,586

Highest percentage for any candidate
Randall Lord — 24.87%

Total votes for U.S. House District 2
Caleb Trotter — 6,408

Total votes for U.S. House District 4
Randall Lord — 61,586

Highest percentage for U.S. House District 4
Randall Lord — 24.87%

Total votes for U.S. House District 5
Clay S. Grant — 20,519

Highest percentage for U.S. House District 5
Clay S. Grant — 7.84%

Total votes for U.S. House District 6
Rufus Holt Craig, Jr. — 32,200

Our registration is through the roof, we've raised more money in the last few months than in the previous 5 years combined, we have 3 organized parishes with about 10 more in the works, and we now have a paid executive director - things are looking up!

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In Liberty,

Adrien Monteleone - Chairman
Libertarian Party of Louisiana"

Via Politico.com

(1st district no LP)

2nd District

100.0% Reporting

Winner C. Richmond (i) Dem 55.2% 158,184

G. Landrieu Dem 25.0% 71,761

D. Bailey GOP 13.5% 38,748

J. Larose GOP 4.0% 11,329

C. Trotter Lib 2.4% 6,778

3rd District

100.0% Reporting

* C. Boustany (i) GOP 44.7% 139,113

* J. Landry (i) GOP 30.0% 93,524

R. Richard Dem 21.5% 67,058

B. Barrilleaux GOP 2.5% 7,907

J. Stark Lib 1.2% 3,764

4th District
100.0% Reporting
Winner J. Fleming (i) GOP 75.3% 187,783
R. Lord Lib 24.7% 61,586

5th District
100.0% Reporting
Winner R. Alexander (i) GOP 77.8% 203,483
R. Ceasar NPA 14.4% 37,635
C. Grant Lib 7.8% 20,519

6th District
100.0% Reporting
Winner B. Cassidy (i) GOP 79.4% 243,594
R. Craig Lib 10.5% 32,200
R. Torregano NPA 10.1% 31,014

Key: Incumbent (i), Run-off *
NPA - No Party

Mississippi

M. Romney GOP 55.5% 674,302
B. Obama (i) Dem 43.5% 528,260
G. Johnson Lib 0.5% 6,408
V. Goode CST 0.2% 2,531
J. Stein Grn 0.1% 1,534
B. Washer RP 0.1% 969

1st District
100.0% Reporting
Winner A. Nunnelee (i) GOP 60.7% 178,594
B. Morris Dem 36.7% 107,938
D. Bedwell Lib 1.2% 3,413
C. Potts RP 0.8% 2,265
J. Bourland CST 0.8% 2,243

4th District

100.0% Reporting

Winner S. Palazzo (i) GOP 64.3% 173,576

M. Moore Dem 28.5% 77,041

R. Williams Lib 6.4% 17,262

R. Claunch RP 0.7% 2,012

"The State Party continues to build coalitions with Campaign 4 Liberty, Young Americans for Liberty, and the liberty minded groups within the Tea Party. We will be establishing 3 more county affiliates within the next few weeks and we continue to see more and more interest in our State Party. The Libertarian Party of Lafayette County meets weekly and has had tremendous success with its Outreach efforts on the Ole Miss campus.

Danny Bedwell, chair
Libertarian Party of Mississippi
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Oklahoma

Oklahoma was one of only two states that did not have Gary Johnson on the ballot. Since the other state, Michigan, has a write-in option, Oklahoma will be dead last in votes for Johnson with zero.

This marks the third presidential election in a row that Oklahoma has not had a Libertarian Presidential candidate on the ballot, and there is no write-in option. No other state has ever missed having an LP Presidential candidate on the ballot for three elections in a row since the LP started. This is also the third election in a row in which Democrats and Republicans have been the only candidates on the Oklahoma ballot for president - a dishonor shared by no other state this time, and the first time since 1964 that any state has been so bereft of presidential choices for that many elections in a row.

(In duopoly news, Oklahoma was the single most lopsided state for McCain in 2008, and this year was not much different, going for Romney by about 2-1.....so it's clearly very important to keep other parties and candidates from "spoiling" this heated race).

Along with another state in our region, Alabama, Oklahoma is the only state that had no candidates at any level with any parties other than Democrats or Republicans - although Alabama had some independent president candidates (including Johnson listed as an independent) while Oklahoma had some independent non-presidential candidates (including some LP endorsed independents).

As with Alabama, this lack of ballot access has obviously hurt party building efforts in Oklahoma.

By contrast, Mississippi and Louisiana have some of the easiest ballot access in the country. Texas is one of the hardest petition states, but it has a relatively easy retention requirement, and thus the LP has been on the ballot without having to petition in Texas for decades (except that they had to petition in 2004, which we succeeded in).

Oklahoma state elections officials double crossed the LP into delaying our ballot access lawsuit against the unconstitutionally early petition deadline until after the election, by misleading our attorney into believing that they would accept the state nomination by Americans Elect of Gary Johnson despite objection from the national Americans Elect which desired to have no candidate. They then did not list Johnson, siding with the national AE leadership over the state contrary to what they said they would do. We did not win relief on the Americans Elect issue in the courts. The lawsuit over the deadline will proceed, but won't do us any good for the 2012 election.

The Libertarians running as independents in Oklahoma this time:

Robert T. Murphy
US House 5

Richard Prawdzienski
State Senate, 41st

In the US House race:
Winner J. Lankford (i)(R)
58.7% 153,421

T. Guild (Democrat)
37.3% 97,359

P. Martin (Independent)
2.1% 5,380

R. Murphy (Libertarian running as Independent)
2.0% 5,162

In the State Senate race:

CLARK JOLLEY (REP) 27,417 79.4%
RICHARD PRAWDZIENSKI (IND) 7,112 20.6%

In significant ballot measure news, Affirmative Action ban won 59%-41%

Texas

<http://lptexas.org/libertarians-on-the-rise-in-texas>

Tuesday's election results showed significant gains for the Libertarian Party in Texas.

With 1,139,564 votes, Libertarian presidential candidates, Gary Johnson and Judge Jim Gray more than DOUBLED the 2008 vote total of Bob Barr and Wayne Root.

For the first time ever five Libertarians in Texas receive over 1 million votes:

Jaime O. Perez, Railroad Commissioner- 1,122,792
RS Roberto Koelsch, Texas Supreme Court- 1,280,886
Tom Oxford, Texas Supreme Court- 1,030,735
Mark W. Bennett, Court of Criminal Appeals- 1,326,526
William Bryan Strange- Court of Criminal Appeals- 1,313,746

[PAULIE: That's 5 of 7 nationwide, with the national presidential ticket and one PSC race in Georgia being the other ones]

Previously, only William Strange ever achieved 1 million Libertarian votes in Texas.

Lillian Simmons achieved 30% in her race for Texas House and David Kinney in Hockley County had a very competitive race for sheriff receiving 2,479 votes for nearly 42% of the vote.

In Lago Vista a Libertarian, Ed Tidwell, won his seat on City Council against a longtime incumbent.

Throughout Texas, Libertarian votes have spiked. For example, Travis County vote totals saw the following increases from 2008 to 2012:

President

2008: 1.23%

2012: 2.72%

121% increase

Straight-party LIBERTARIAN

2008: 1.34%

2012: 1.93%

44% increase

Best 2-way Statewide

2008: 37.15%

2012: 44.77%

20% increase

Best 3-way State Rep

2008: 4.29%

2012: 5.26%

23% increase

Tax Assessor

2008: 5.17%

2012: 6.91%

34% increase

Despite the confusing redistricting fiasco and attempts by the legislature to impair the Libertarian Party or remove candidates from the ballot, Tuesday's results show the party is getting stronger and is gathering more public support.

"The Libertarian Party of Texas is clearly not just treading water; we are on the rise," says Pat Dixon. "We are motivated and have already launched our campaign for 2014."

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Full Texas results: see attachment.

Presidential:

R
Winner M. Romney
57.2% 4,555,799

D
B. Obama (i)
41.4% 3,294,440

L
G. Johnson
1.1% 88,110

G
J. Stein
0.3% 24,450

CAMPUS ORGANIZING REPORT

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This report will provide some information concerning efforts to build and support Libertarian campus organizations. I shall provide an updated report at the LNC meeting in Arlington should additional information become available.

1) I continue to respond to inquiries from people who want information about the LP campus outreach effort. I am usually able to respond within 24 hours of receiving an inquiry.

2) I continue to work with the Advocates for Self-Government to provide material (e.g., "Operation Politically Homeless" kits) to campus organizations. (In the interest of full disclosure, please note that I am the chairman of the Board of Directors of the Advocates.)

3) I continue to work with various state and local LP organizations to assist their campus outreach efforts.

4) I continue to work closely with Students For Liberty to build libertarian groups at high schools and colleges. (I am a member of the Board of Advisors of SFL.) As part of this effort, members of the SFL board and I have found ways for the LP to use the many services available from SFL. We must be careful in so doing because we do not wish to jeopardize the 501c(3) status of SFL.

In addition, I serve as chair of the Student Libertarian Alumni Committee (SLAC). This organization assists SFL by promoting the organization among libertarians and helping to raise funds for SFL.

5) I gave a lecture at James Madison University on Oct. 24; the lecture was sponsored by the student organization Madison Liberty. I have been invited to speak at several colleges during the 2013 Spring semester.

I am pleased to report that I have spoken at four Students For Liberty regional conferences this fall (at Michigan State, University of North Texas, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, and University of Pennsylvania). In addition, I gave the opening address at the European Students For Liberty conference in Stockholm, Sweden on Oct. 20.

6) I continue to work with Young Americans for Liberty (YAL) on programs of mutual interest. I gave the introductory address at the annual YAL convention in late July; I am pleased to note that the speech was very well received.

7) As noted previously, several liberty-oriented organizations (e.g., Cato, Reason Foundation, Institute for Humane Studies, Foundation for Economics Education) work to coordinate their

student outreach programs. I participate in meetings of representatives of these organizations when my schedule permits.

8) I worked with the Johnson/Gray campaign on goals and strategies for youth outreach (in particular, for outreach to college students).

9) As I have mentioned previously, I hope LPHQ will routinely authorize the assignment of an intern on a half-time basis to work on campus organizing.