



LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2017

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CALL TO ORDER

Nick Sarwark called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 p.m. (all times Eastern)

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee members participating were: Nick Sarwark (Chair), Arvin Vohra (Vice-Chair), Alicia Mattson (Secretary), Tim Hagan (Treasurer), Sam Goldstein (At-Large), Jim Lark (Region 5 Representative), Bill Redpath (At-Large)

Other LNC participants were: Caryn Ann Harlos (Region 1 Representative), Aaron Starr (Region 4 Alternate)

Staff participants were: Wes Benedict

LNC Special Counsel Oliver Hall was present.

Other participants were: Michael Chastain, Paul Frankel, T.E. Finnegan, Dan Wiener

PURPOSE

The meeting was called to discuss whether to sign on as an amicus in *Husted v. APRI*.

HUSTED V. APRI

Mr. Hall explained the case history of *Husted v. APRI*. It is a challenge to the Ohio Secretary of State's practice of purging voter rolls based on a process of sending notification cards to people who have not recently voted, and then those voters who fail to respond to the notification and also fail to vote in the next 2 federal election cycles will be purged. The Supreme Court of the United States has accepted an appeal of the ruling of the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. The LNC is being requested to file an amicus on behalf of the non-profit A. Philip Randolph Institute. The LNC would incur no cost, and the draft would be written to our specifications.

Following extensive discussion, Mr. Vohra moved that the LNC sign onto an amicus brief in the case of *Husted v. APRI*.

During subsequent discussion, several EC members indicated that they would prefer to see a summary of the arguments to be made in the amicus before voting on a motion to join. Dr. Lark moved to postpone the motion, with the understanding that it would be taken back up either by another EC meeting or during the LNC meeting in Kansas City.

The vote on the motion to postpone was as follows:

Voting "aye": Goldstein, Hagan, Lark, Mattson, Redpath, Vohra

Abstaining: Sarwark

The motion to postpone was adopted with a 6-0 vote total.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 10:34 p.m.