

**Minutes of the October 16, 2005 Emergency Meeting of the State Committee
of the Libertarian Party of New York
held by telephone conference call**

The meeting was called to order by Chair John Clifton at 16:30.

Members in attendance:

John Clifton, Chair
Bonnie Scott, Vice Chair, Webmaster/Web Editor
Thomas Ruks, Vice Chair
Blay Tarnoff, Secretary, Party Telecommunications Officer
M Carling, At-large member, Membership Structure and Mailing Committee Chair
Audrey Capozzi, At-large member
Gary Donoyan, At-large member
Chris Garvey, Suffolk County Representative
Tom Stevens, Manhattan Representative, Queens County Representative

Members not in attendance:

Werner Hetzner, Treasurer, Capital Region Representative, Statewide Candidate Search
Committee Chair
Andrew Gardner, At-large member, Ithaca Libertarians Representative, College Outreach
Coordinator
Don Stillwagon, At-large member
Gary Triestman, Hudson Valley Representative, Newsletter Editor
Beads Land, Nassau County Representative

Observers:

Kenneth Cook, Candidate for nomination to State Assembly District 43 (Kings County)
Gary Popkin, Temporary County Chair for Kings County

This meeting was called for the sole purpose of considering the endorsement of Kenneth Cook for State Assembly.

Kenneth Cook made a candidate presentation. He addressed the following points:

- Lowering property taxes
- Discipline in schools
- Lowering property taxes for senior citizens on fixed incomes
- Schools – favors all improvements: vouchers, charter schools, tax credits; not opposed to separation of school and state
- Eminent domain – against
- Gun rights – NRA member
- Rent control – has outlived its usefulness; against
- Drug war – ineffective; offer treatment or abolish law

Audrey Capozzi moved to endorse Kenneth Cook as the Libertarian nominee for New York State Assembly District 43. The motion PASSED unanimously with 1 explicitly noted abstention.

The meeting was adjourned immediately following the vote.

Respectfully submitted, this 30th day of January, 2006,
Blay Tarnoff, Secretary, Libertarian Party of New York