Minutes of the November 19, 2005 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 10:14.

Members in attendance:

John Clifton, Chair (left at 12:48)

Bonnie Scott, Vice Chair, Webmaster/Web Editor

Thomas Ruks, Vice Chair

Blay Tarnoff, Secretary, Party Telecommunications Officer (left at 12:50)

Werner Hetzner, Treasurer, Capital Region Representative, Statewide Candidate Search Committee Chair

M Carling, At-large member, Membership Structure and Mailing Committee Chair Tom Stevens, Manhattan Representative, Queens County Representative Audrey Capozzi, At-large member (arrived at 10:30)

Members not in attendance:

Gary Donoyan, At-large member

Andrew Gardner, At-large member, Ithaca Libertarians Representative, College Outreach Coordinator

Chris Garvey, Suffolk County Representative

Gary Triestman, Hudson Valley Representative, Newsletter Editor

Beads Land, Nassau County Representative

Al Dedicke, Monroe County Representative

Observers:

Dan Karlan, LNC Regional Representative

Richard Cooper, Nassau County member

M Carling moved to adopt the following agenda, which was adopted WITHOUT OBJECTION:

- Minutes/certification update
- Treasury report & fundraising update
- National update (delegate Dan Karlan has indicated he will join us, to discuss the LNC meeting of 11/12)
- Liberty Works outsourcing agreement, to resolve whether we proceed with Robert Butler on a one year basis (11/05-11/06):
 - Inquiry and lapsed contacts (as outlined in committee list post #12486)
 - Fundraising (as outlined in post #12487)
 - Media contact and standby functions (as outlined in post # 12488)

(Proposal summary, post #12494; approved motions will be bundled into final combined form)

- Convention update/Goal 50k (and/or Independent Party) theme (offical determination of theme, basic format, deposit, etc.)
- BCRA impact on LPNY 2006 activity (e.g., Goal 50K, petitioning; this may include consideration of voting on whether or not to originally file with the FEC)
- Eminent domain rally (feasibility discussion about doing a state-level organized demonstration in downtown Albany the day before or day of the LPNY convention)
 - Email procedure/Bylaws revision update
 - should email voting continue

- should LPNY switch to five physical meetings plus optional phone meetings as of 2006
- should the bylaws changes come in an all-or-nothing clump, or be voted on in sections, like the Liberty Works proposal

- New business

Dan Karlan made a presentation of the latest information from the LNC.

Tom Stevens moved to recognize as members for all purposes those individuals who joined National, and hence State, for the period of time that they would have been members of LPNY were the Unified Membership Program not ending and that we seek redress from National for our portion of their dues. The motion PASSED.

It was noted that Shane Corey, Mike Dixon, Marc Cenci, and Dan Karlan are to be informed of the amount of redress sought.

Tom Stevens moved to authorize Werner Hetzner to determine the theme of the Annual Convention to be held in April, 2006 and to authorize him to purchase banners with a cap of \$250 to promote that theme. The motion PASSED 4-3.

Werner Hetzner moved to authorize the expenditure of \$4000 on the Annual Convention. Blay Tarnoff moved to amend the figure to \$1000. The motion to amend FAILED 2-4. Bonnie Scott moved to postpone indefinitely. The motion to postpone PASSED.

M Carling moved to appoint a subcommittee with power to conclude outsourcing agreements regarding contacting new members, newly lapsed members, and inquiries, and fund raising, consisting of M Carling, Bonnie Scott, and Werner Hetzner. The motion PASSED unanimously.

Tom Stevens moved to appoint John Clifton to chair a subcommittee to organize an eminent domain rally in Albany around the Annual Convention. The motion PASSED.

At 12:58, John Clifton left and Thomas Ruks assumed the role of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

At 12:50, Blay Tarnoff left the meeting.

Thomas Ruks noted that there were no longer enough members present to meet the quorum requirement and that the meeting must therefore be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52.

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