

Chautauqua County Libertarian Party Chair's Report – September 1, 2022

STATE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.** At the August 22, 2022 Executive Committee meeting, the main item of business was authorizing \$1,000 to Gary Donoyan for the Larry Sharpe v. NYSBOE lawsuit.
2. **2022 STATE CONVENTION.** Set for September 17-18, 2022 at the Sheraton Hotel in Niagara Falls, New York. Details are up on the website, including speakers, schedule, etc.
3. **BALLOT ACCESS LAWSUIT/LEGISLATION.** A court date is set for Tuesday, September 6, 2022. No updates on legislation.

BUSINESS

1. **ELECTION DISTRICT DELEGATES.** We currently have 7 election district delegates. We have a total of 198 positions to be filled and we need at least 50 members by 2022 to form a constituted county committee under Election Law.
2. **ENROLLMENTS.** As of January 3, 2022, we have 275 active enrolled Libertarians. This is an increase from 269 on August 5, 2021 and the same as our total on February 25, 2021.
3. **MEETINGS PROMOTION.** Meetings on Facebook and website are set up through September 1, 2022.
4. **2022 ANNUAL LETTER/FUNDRAISING EMAIL.** Cancelled in favor of a simple postcard to promote the County convention.

ELECTIONS/CAMPAIGNS

1. **STATEWIDE CANDIDATES.** Larry Sharpe has launched a write-in campaign and an appeal is pending in order to get on the ballot.

EVENTS

1. **COUNTY CONVENTION.** Set for October 6, 2022. A postcard will be sent out, but we need a speaker. We will also need to determine officers, especially since the Secretary Gerrit Cain moved to Michigan.
2. **BUSINESS/SOCIAL EVENTS CHANGE.** It was agreed at the August 2022 meeting to change the format so that business meetings are held online and the in-person aspect is turned into a social meeting, to be held monthly, with the goal of moving around the county and later making the events more frequent.

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Chair, Chautauqua County Libertarian Party