

**MINUTES OF THE LOCAL AFFILIATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020 ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Arrigo, Chair
Andrew Kolstee, Secretary
William Cody Anderson
Daniel Donnelly
Pietro Geraci
Paul Sechrist

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Robert Arrigo, Chair.

Andrew Kolstee was appointed Secretary of the committee without objection.

Robert Arrigo started the discussion on the big picture and gathering ideas. In regard to the status of current County Affiliates registered for campaign finance with NYSBOE, William Cody Anderson reported that only about 10 of them are registered out of the recognized 32 County Affiliates.

Paul Sechrist said that there is an issue with a knowledge gap and the need to keep County Affiliates informed, including through ideas such as sharing best practices among County Affiliates at least quarterly, or ideally, monthly. Andrew Kolstee that such meetings were done in the past, and they worked. Additionally, the need for a written guide for county leaders to use.

Pietro Geraci brought up the need for counties to network with regards to multi-county races, media efforts, and joint events such as protests.

In summary, Robert Arrigo noted the following important projects for the committee to start: 1) Holding monthly district meetings; 2) creation of a guide or manual, 3) trainings, including infrastructure, setting goals and legislative agendas, and campaign activities, and 4) creation of a model county rules template.

William Cody Anderson added that it is important for County Affiliates to effectively communicate with the enrolled Libertarians residing in their county. Andrew Kolstee noted that the formation of Town Committees can help facilitate local growth.

Robert Arrigo brought up the need for a survey for County Affiliates in order to assess their status so that the committee can make better decisions. A survey should be developed by the next meeting.

In regard to forming new County Affiliates, Andrew Kolstee mentioned that a form existed in the past for then-Temporary County Chairs (now known as County Contacts) to give a progress report on developing their county. Daniel Donnelly said that he used mailings and phone banking to find new County Contacts. Pietro Geraci suggested using Facebook to search for people in a particular county. Robert Arrigo requested Daniel Donnelly provide the most recent list of County Contacts.

In summary, the priorities of the committee are as follows: 1) creation of the survey, 2) creation of the model county rules template, and 3) obtaining the list of County Contacts.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m. without objection.

Andrew Martin Kolstee,
Secretary