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# Libertarian Party of Warren County

Wednesday, 11.10.2021

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## Officers

Mark Marasch, *Chairman*

Phil Denton, *Treasurer*

Joshua Toms, *Secretary*

## Members Present:

Jeff Schulthess

Seth Allton

Michelle MacCutcheon

Amanda Weiner

Kevin Kahn

Ken MacCutcheon

Nick Smith

## Agenda

Chair calls meeting to order at 7:10 pm

Acceptance of minutes- motion carries

## Officer Announcements:

Chairman:

Blog updates. Articles written for the Warren County LPO website. Mark Maresch is wanting input from guests and members.

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In the process of assembling a notebook of laws to share with school boards and others.

Notes during discussion: Video and media enthusiasts which can help. Michelle MacCutcheon suggests using videos from national LP's archive. Seth Allton suggests videos explaining Libertarianism.

Treasurer:

Libertarian Party of Warren County established, tax EIN number attained, party bank account opened at Lebanon Citizens National Bank. Tax return due 11/29. Working on video to explain the affiliate formation process for other potential affiliates in Ohio for Libertarians. Created Rocket Chat channel called "marketing." FEC ID only required with certain monetary amounts. The FEC website says a local party organization only needs to register (as a local party committee) within 10 days of achieving one of the following:

1. Raises more than \$5000 in contributions
2. Spends more than \$1000 in contributions or expenses
3. Spends more than \$5000 on exempt party activities

FEC also may require monthly updates for bank accounts.

Secretary:

Strategy meeting determined certain points of interest and focus as follows- Media outlets, guerrilla marketing, branding and awareness, CRM, reaching out to current Libertarian party members, community outreach and volunteer service, increasing membership, press releases.

Seth Allton mentions facial recognition in FB preventing account setup.

## Old Business

Announcements:

1. Michelle MacCutcheon explains that any staff positions cannot collude with caucuses. Can't vote in elections at the federal level. She said this precludes the caucuses from announcing events in the affiliate meetings if she or other staff

members are present. Further adding, "Any PACS and federal party employees are prohibited from collusion by FEC law."

2. Celebration in Harrison, Ohio for a Libertarian win on city council by politician Mike Mains. Announcement by Kevin Kahn.
3. Phil Denton suggests all Libertarian participants to join LPO, LP national, and Rocket Chat. "IT type people" are needed and encouraged to take on LP workload. Creation of a survey of Libertarian wish lists for current members in the area; not yet completed but in progress.
4. Michelle MacCutcheon asks about interest in budget meeting in Boston, MA. \$150 for fundraiser.
5. December 11th, 2021 is 50th anniversary of Libertarian Party. Celebration suggested. Possibility of folding this celebration into regular meeting just a few days prior.
6. Cent Com seat 1B open.
7. Vice Chair slot is optional and can be added later. Constitution and Bylaws state that committee members can be added during normal elections, which are held in regular County Conventions on alternating years. Apologies were offered for apparent miscommunication in the last monthly meeting. Committee leadership recommended for member desiring officer positions. Officer Elections determined to be on even years.
8. Phil Denton makes a motion to discuss new business. Michelle MacCutcheon seconded. Motion carries.

## New Business

1. Phil Denton makes motion for a "committee of the whole" for open discussion. Joshua Toms seconded. Motion carries.
2. Michelle MacCutcheon makes a motion to stop committee discussion and return to New Business, as informal discussions can follow the meeting. Seth Allton seconded. Motion carries.
3. Mark Maresch requests any remarks to discuss New Business. No remarks made.
4. Phil Denton makes motion to adjourn. Michelle MacCutcheon seconded. Motion carries.