

The regular meeting of the Warren County Affiliate of the Libertarian Party of Ohio on 13 October 2021 was called to order at 7:15 PM.

Present were members:

- Chair Mark Marasch
- Treasurer Phil Denton
- Secretary Joshua Toms
- Michael Allred
- Seth Allton
- Ken MacCutcheon
- Jeff Schulthess
- Jim Umstead

Present were guests:

- Matt Hurley, Americans for Prosperity, Columbus
- Kevin Kahn, LPO Political Director

1. Opening
2. Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes
 - a. The officers reported that it was the previous meeting in which the Affiliate was officially founded and officers elected. Minutes were not taken. Michelle MacCutcheon and Ken MacCutcheon were also present and participated in the officer elections and adoption of the Constitution and Bylaws. Helen Gilson of Butler County was also present as a guest.
 - b. There was no vote to approve the previous meeting's minutes since none were taken.
3. Officer Reports
 - a. Chair – Mark Marasch highlighted his plans and goals for the Affiliate:
 - i. Build a notebook full of laws and policies that provide precedent against vaccine and mask mandates and provide them to local school boards.
 - ii. We are already developing content for the blog (warren.lpo.org) so if you would like to contribute, please let us know.
 - iii. Discussed our approach to going after the issues
 1. Growing the party by generating/sharing relevant content through website, email/newsletter, social media, etc.
 2. Content will educate and motivate on topics that reflect current events as well as through more evergreen topics of Libertarianism in general.
 - b. Chair – Mark Marasch – Also asked the group what is important to them and what they would like to see the LPO do in Warren County. Answers from the group included:
 - i. Covid tyranny, CRT, gun rights, war on drugs

- ii. Organize a door-knocking campaign in local communities where we offer to help people out around the house. Encourage neighbors to help neighbors.
- iii. We could use digital marketing in concert with door-knocking campaigns in order to make physical campaigns more effective.
- iv. We have as the official Warren County Affiliate of the LPO the authority to provide or withhold endorsements for political candidates.
- v. Hold the line on the vaccine mandate. We should do anything we can to help with this. There have been talks of mass non-compliance protests.
- vi. Matt Hurley – Americans for Prosperity has a full list of criminal justice reform initiatives if that would be helpful to us.
- vii. Phil Denton – Would like to poll everyone we have contact information for in Warren County in order to find out their “hot topics” and what they would like the affiliate to focus its energy on going forward. He will draft a survey to gather this information and will bring it with him to share in the November meeting.
- viii. Kevin Kahn – When he closed own his congressional campaign in 2020, he earmarked roughly \$1800 of leftover campaign funds for Warren County. Phil will follow up with him about this outside the meeting.
- ix. We need to regain ballot access. Right now the priority is to build a strong network of affiliates across Ohio’s 88 counties so when we try to regain ballot access in 2024 we’ll have an easier time getting the membership base/donor base/signatures we need.
- c. Secretary – Joshua Toms – No Report
- d. Treasurer – Phil Denton
 - i. Phil has contacted LPO Treasurer Jon Mohler for guidance on setting up LPO-WC officially – bank accounts, etc.
 - ii. Phil has been in contact with LP Texas and LP OK to start sharing best practices and growth strategies.
 - iii. Phil plans to attend “Analytics for Politics” on 10/25, and even put on by Natalie Bruno, gubernatorial candidate for Oklahoma and former campaign manager for Jo Jorgensen.
- 4. Committee Reports – None
- 5. Announcements
 - a. Next week on October 19th at 7pm, a pro-Liberty movie called “The Unseen” by Libertarian activist Anthony Welti will be screening in the Cincinnati area. This event/screening is partly sponsored by the Mises Caucus and Hamilton County LP. HCLP has a sign-up link on their website if you’re interested in going.
- 6. Old Business – None
- 7. New Business
 - a. Phil Denton – We need help everywhere! If you would like to help the Libertarian movement grow, especially in Warren County, we’d love to have you help. Regardless of your skillset or talents, we will find a way to get you plugged in so if you’re interested in helping, please let us know.



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- b. Phil Denton – Moved to direct the Treasurer and Chair to open bank accounts for the Warren County Affiliate of the Libertarian Party of Ohio in accordance with Federal, State, and Local laws and the guidance and best practices of the Libertarian Party of Ohio Treasurer Jon Mohler. The motion was properly seconded, there was no debate, the chair called a vote, and the motion passed unanimously.
8. With no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.