

Minutes of the Central Committee of the Libertarian Party of Maryland — Saturday, 26 July 2014

Opening: The Libertarian State Central Committee of Maryland met on the grounds of Dave Sten's home in North East, Maryland. The Treasurer's report and proposed Constitutional amendments were distributed. The meeting was called to order at 4:52 pm by chairman Bob Johnston.

Attendance: the Credentials Committee consisted of: Robert Glaser, Mark Grannis; and Tony Spezio. It validated that 16 Central Committee members were in attendance for the meeting. No proxies were represented. The Central Committee rolls consist of 34 members.

Minutes: The minutes of the 5 April 2014 and 8 July 2014 Central Committee meetings were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's report: was accepted as presented.

Chair's Report: Bob Johnston thanked Dave and René for hosting the picnic; he reports that we have 74 members; we have 14,067 registered voters as of 5/31/2014. We need 1% in the governor's race to maintain our state status. We are looking at Facebook ads for candidates. Nick Sarwark is now national chair; Arvin Vohra is Vice-Chair; Scott Spencer is an LNC rep alternate. Bob thanks Mark Grannis for website and Facebook work; Eric Blitz who has been on the road on the marijuana legislation campaign; and Scott Spencer for serving as alternate.

James Lark, LNC regional rep: thanks Scott Spencer for outstanding alternate work; sees some good signs with the younger crowd, has 7 candidates for congress in Virginia.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments: three proposed amendments from the last meeting are to be voted up or down:

1. Article V, Section 6, sub-paragraph C. Vote: passes unanimously on a voice vote.
2. Article V, Section 4, sub-paragraph D. Vote: passes unanimously on a voice vote.
3. Article V, Section 5, sub-paragraph F. Vote: passes unanimously on a voice vote.

Nominations of Candidates for Public Office: Lorenzo Gaztañaga nominated and Susan Gaztañaga seconded the nomination of Ronald Owens-Bey for Md. House of Delegates, district 45; the nomination passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Dave Sten: is working on a proposed thesis to find the most cost effective means to market registrations for third parties in Md. He will select targeted areas for analysis; is open to ideas, i.e. mailings, social media, tax delinquency lists; his intent is to have the research done by the end of August and paper by October.

Shawn Quinn: requests volunteers for the gubernatorial campaign.

Announcements: Michael Linder reminds members that it is state law that forces our requests for employer info. Robert Glaser has license plate applications and extra newsletters on hand, and MdLP caps for sale.

Adjournment: the meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm.

--Robert E. Glaser