

Libertarian Party of Connecticut
State Central Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, 24th April 2023, 8:00 PM

The following Members of the Committee were present:

S Dincher – Chair
A Zdon – Secretary
J Perry – Treasurer
A Shackelford – At Large
B Cousins – New Haven County
C Lazzara – At Large
K Beckford – At Large
N Constant – At Large
Carl Lupinacci – Member

The following Members of the Committee were absent:

M Etter – Vice Chair
L Leduc – At Large

The Meeting was called to order by S Dincher at 8:08 PM.

1. READING AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived by a motion from the chair without objection from the membership.

The minutes were approved by a motion from the chair without objection from the membership.

2. OFFICER'S REPORTS

a. Chairman

- i. **We had a front-page article of Saturday's Hartford Courant with quotes from both Mike Liebowitz and Steve Dincher, and with some general discussion of the party's ethos and objectives as well. It was a fair representation and had a favorable perspective.**

b. Treasurer

- i. **Last Balance = \$16,809.51**
- ii. **Expenditures = \$2,652.28**
- iii. **Credits = \$1399.92**

- iv. **Current Balance = \$15,557.15**
- v. **As of 4/24/2023**

c. Secretary

- i. **The current Roster includes 446 total members, 171 Regular Members, 262 Associate Members, and 13 Lifetime Members. This is an increase of 2 Regular Members, a decrease of 2 Associate Members, and no change in Lifetime Members since the previous roster report on March 27 2023.**

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Strategy and Goals Committee

- i. N Tartaglino elected unanimously as Chair, and D Fechter elected unanimously as Secretary
- ii. Have made a few suggestions as follows (per the meeting minutes posted to Discord):
 - 1. Set up an ad-hoc events committee to operate under the direction of the S&G committee to organize and support the affiliates in organizing outreach events
 - a. Recommended 4-5 members
 - b. Recommended that the events committee be authorized to engage in fundraising activities to support events
 - c. Various opportunities for events were discussed

- b. Expand the State Media Committee to facilitate greater focus on social media
 - i. Recommends consideration of hiring a social media manager

c. Other outreach opportunities include:

- i. Radio/Podcast
- ii. Mail/Email
- iii. Newspaper/Patch
- iv. Telephone

- 1. An update on the machine of knowledge was requested

d. Main objectives of the Libertarian Party were discussed as follows:

- i. Run candidates
 - 1. Various ideas for identifying candidates and winnable races were discussed
- ii. Pass/advocate legislature
- iii. Increase membership
- iv. Increase funds

e. IT Committee

- i. Nothing to update at the moment, will likely make headway with migration in coming months.

a. Legislative Research Committee

- i. No new updates since last month

- ii. April and May are busier months for this committee's focus, planning to meet again May 9th
 - iii. There is a strange piece of online bullying of politicians focused legislation which Republicans are garnering momentum by speaking out against
 - iv. Committee will look for anything related to 1A and 2A, as well as any tax increases for us to speak out against
 - b. Finance Committee
 - i. N/A
 - c. Media Committee
 - i. In agreement with the Strategy and Goals committee that we should have a social media team to do all of the extra stuff that doesn't get done. There are too many relevant social media platforms for one person to do it all. Having a Social Media Chairperson is also a good idea.
 - d. Elections Committee
 - i. N/A
 - e. Convention Committee
 - i. We need to get a contract signed to lock in the space, especially now that we have started booking speakers. Our usual contact at the venue has unfortunately passed away, so we will need to connect to the new contact person.
4. NEW BUSINESS
- a. Internship with Quinnipiac student
 - i. Business Data Analytics Graduate student, would like "to compile, transform, organize, and study collections of data to help the organization make decisions," which he sees taking the form of either event planning or managing an entire project from start to finish. He has also reached out to the Democrat and Republican Parties.
 - ii. The Secretary will reach out to him and offer to connect him with the Chair; if he is still looking for an internship we will find somewhere to put him to good use.
 - b. Hybrid SCC Meeting
 - i. Can be discussed in Discord as to a date and location, as well as who would realistically be able to make it. At least 5 attendees would make it worthwhile.
 - ii. June seems like the best month to do it, and possibly on a weekend rather than a Tuesday as well as an earlier time to make it easier to attend.
 - iii. We would need to find a quiet space rather than a busy restaurant, such as a Church basement, office, or public facilities.
 - iv. Once motion is raised on Discord, we will have 48 hours to vote.

The next Committee Meeting is scheduled for the 22nd of May 2023 at 8:00pm via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM

Submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Amy Zdon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Amy" and the last name "Zdon" clearly distinguishable.

Amy Zdon
Secretary, Libertarian Party of Connecticut