

Minutes of the McLean County Libertarian Party
Chapter of the Libertarian Party of Illinois
for July 6th, 2009.
Presented by Kyle Kidwell.

Meeting place: Da Bar's Meeting Room
Total Attendance: 4
Executive Officers in attendance:
Chair Lupe Diaz
Vice Chair Stephen Moist
Treasurer Jeff Ready
Young Libertarian Kyle Kidwell

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by the Chair.

Due to the small amount of members on hand, pressing issues were openly discussed in an informal manner.

Lex Green may be running for Congress. Jeff Ready may be running for city council.

Dave Brady Stepped down as the State LP chair and is replaced with the interim chair Val Vetter until the annual LP convention in October 2009.

A large part of the meeting centered on an event hosted by MCLP but open to the public. Such as social gatherings, membership drives, and the Lex Green vs. Jason riddle debate. Venues for these purposes were discussed and the Mason's lodge on Beech Street was mentioned. Jeff Ready said he would look into the Mason's availability by mid-July. Other places mentioned were Mugsy's and Lunkers. A kegger where 5 dollars per cup could be charged was one of the more popular ideas. A large scale MCLP bash is tentatively scheduled for September, and the reasoning for the wait is that the availability of college students and logistical preparation are big factors.

The Bloomington Normal Citizens For Justice and Peace (BNCPJ) were discussed, as they are a libertarian related group. Their website is <http://www.bncpj.org/>, and they are essentially an anti-war group. Kyle Kidwell will be attending a BNCPJ event on Sunday the 12th of July, and will share the results with non-attending MCLP members. The BNCPJ use the Unitarian Universalist Church as a venue frequently,

Kyle Kidwell will approach an authority figure at the church about holding MCLP meetings or functions in their facilities.

Kyle Kidwell said he would research quad day and report on it soon. Information on quad day must be furnished prior to setting a date for the Lex Green Jason Riddle debate. Quad day may be a great advertising opportunity for the MCLP hosted event.

Jeff Ready and Stephen Moist declared that they would attempt outreach to the local gay community. Stephen and others believed that a marginalized group such as gays would inherently be more open the most tolerant party...the libertarian party. Locations for outreach included 'the Bistro'.

Kyle Kidwell is going to Vistaprint.com to get MCLP business cards made. These cards will be presented and discussed at a future meeting.

It was declared that our primary goals and top priorities remain advertising and recruiting for the MCLP.

Kyle has started the RSO constitution and it will be completed in July and shared with all members of the MCLP. Stephen Moist promised to furnish Kyle Kidwell with names (and contact info) of willing ISU students to join the ISU libertarian RSO. Stephen Moist also promised to furnish Kyle and anyone else with the new MCLP pamphlets.

The next meeting will be July 20th starting at 7PM.

Motion to end the meeting was presented, seconded and passed by voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.