

Minutes for the Wake LP business meeting on 9 Dec 2008

Called to order 7:18 PM by Fernie

Attending: Fernie, Joy, Stef, Bobby, Suzanne

Agenda approved as in email.

Chair report:

Fernie reported he would be doing Ingress/Egress and Final Cut Pro training at RTN as part of preparing for the Wake LP RTN Production Team.

Vice Chair report:

Nothing to report (see New Business for discussions)

Treasurer report:

The checking account balance is \$82.37 and represents all our funds to date. Stef reported that she recently submitted 2007 end-year and 2008 mid-year disclosure reports after a lot of time trying to ensure the numbers were correct, and the 2008 end-year report, ending the election cycle, will be submitted before the next Wake LP business meeting. The Wake LP address is currently Stef's home address, but Stef will obtain information about getting a new PO box.

Secretary report submitted online to fellow officers prior to meeting as follows:

=== BEGIN SUBMITTED REPORT ===

Activities - I sent the notes for the last business meeting to the Wake LP discussion list, and posted them to the meetup files as usual. I attended the most recent RTN orientation workshop along with 5 others interested in the Wake LP TV show project. I added a few posts to the Wake LP website and added some links to the sidebar, including 3 blogs already containing the reciprocal links suggested by Joy. Joy and I discussed obtaining candidate videos for educational purposes and possibly creating a Wake LP YouTube account to publish them to (Joy can create the videos), but there is the issue of copyright to contend with, so that's in limbo for now.

Statement of Organization - We need a starting point for future revisions, so I request that Stephanie provide a copy of this document in a more easily editable format (like Word, instead of just the PDF.)

Accounting practices - I think it would be helpful both for the current officers and for future treasurers to have more explanation of current accounting practices in addition to what's in the Statement of Organization, so I'd like to request that our current Wake LP Treasurer produce some guidelines from her almost 2 years experience in this position. If possible, I'd like this to include some clarification of what is meant by "recognized" in Article 7 of the Statement of Organization and why it's important for Wake LP, as an affiliate of LPNC, to be a "recognized party organization."

=== END SUBMITTED REPORT ===

OLD BUSINESS

* Wake LP RTN Production Team will meet in January to better organize efforts while each participant continues RTN training. This can include discussion on the role of YouTube productions for political items.

NEW BUSINESS

* Welcome postcard idea for newly registered Libs in Wake County
* Convention planning next meeting, but some brainstorming occurred during the meeting; idea to have someone speak about what it takes to run for office

* Bobby described a situation in Odessa, Texas, in which a cop who used to work to bust drug dealers and who is now working to debunk the drug war.

MOTION: Bobby moved to establish an Operation Grow-light to purchase a grow-light and tomato seeds and set up the operation on March 5, 2009.

Motion died for lack of second.

Discussion followed on alternate ideas of groups that may be interested in promoting such an operation.

* Stephanie will scan the current account practices printout, and will email a new draft for email discussion.

* Stephanie suggested a single media resource for all files, including things like the Statement of Organization, the accounting procedures, and the mailing membership database.

MOTION: Stephanie moved to spend no more than \$50 and to shop for the best price to purchase a 2 GB USB flash drive for pulling together all county related data files.

SECOND: Fernie

Passed without opposition.

* Fernie appointed Stephanie as webmaster, and she accepted.

MOTION: Bobby moved to adjourn

SECOND: Joy

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.