

## Chapter Meeting

January 8th, 2006

Attendees: Chris Nelson, Andy Derr, Laura Cordes, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller, Peter de la Rosa, Tim Hanser

Facilitator: Chris Nelson

Recording Secretary: Tim Hanser

### State Report

State party to file a lawsuit against Campaign Finance Bill. Spoken with CCLU.

-Kelly and Aaron have resigned as co-chairs

-State office elections discussed

-Charlie Pilsbury pushing for Cliff Thornton to run against Lieberman

-To receive news: ctgreens.org, click on the ListServ

Website.

-Conn has volunteer day in February. Andy would like to recruit a volunteer who would maintain and add content to the site.

Broadwater- Laura Cordes

-Last meeting agreed to co-sponsor a Broadwater forum.

-Tentative dates would be February 18th or March 11th

-Co-sponsored by CT Fund for the Environment

-To be held at NLHS

-Would break into different tactical group

-Will be on City Council's agenda

-Looking for support at federal level- contacted Dodd's office

School Building Committee- Friday January 20th 9AM Bennie Dover Library

-Ronna, Andy, and Tim want to talk in advance to present a proposal to the Committee

Campaign Wrapout- Chris

-Surplus of ~\$1400

Options for spending the money

Donate to charity

return on pro-rated basis to contributors

Give to a committee for on-going activities (except another election)

Chris proposes rolling it to a local committee

Has 2005 voting information. Will distribute that information when he collates it.

Thinking Green

Moved to Thursday 6 PM timeslot

Producers meeting tomorrow to determine April timeslot

Down a rotating host

3rd week of the month is open

Andy will rotate back in in April

No host for Thursday, January 19th

Andy will look into his availability for the 19th

Ideas for future shows:

Green Schools

Green Buildings

Willimantic Food Coop , Local Buying Clubs, Fiddleheads

Forum-

Laura would like to see more action around accountability above and beyond just Charter Revision. Would like to include a more pro-active approach. Would like to broaden the scope.

Andy believes that people have a strong interest in specific charter issues e.g. form of gov't and district representation. We need to work on it now because of special election on the issue forthcoming.

Andy would like to work with someone else on Energy Independence

Dewart contact: Brian Smith 401-

Chris concerned with time needed to publicize

Bob agrees with Laura. Would like Charter revision expanded to gov't accountability and transparency.

Chris says that forum has parallels to last year's convention as far as preparation goes.

The Forum pushed to February 12th.

Andy would like to have a computer for people to sign-up at the forum

Ronna suggests a 'Thank You and this is Our Forum' advertisement in the paper

Housekeeping & Logistics

-Next monthly meeting: February 5th at Bob & Ronna's

-Laura suggests that some structure be discussed so that somebody takes on specific duties

-Andy says that by-laws state we have officers

-Andy would like 2006 election on February's agenda

- Reminders for next meeting
- Tim will facilitate and send email
- Agenda items to be sent to Tim
- Minutes get sent to Chris Nelson
- Chris will add content to Website to reflect new projects, add P&J page, archives of campaign pages, and update meeting minutes.
- Bob would like to add newspaper articles and article links to site
- Peter got feedback from individuals that would be involved if it wasn't involved in election  
drives. The place for these people would be more within subcommittees and working groups.

#### Announcements

Naral ProChoice CT is showing a "I had an abortion" at the Hygienic January 21st at 8pm. 55 minutes in length.