



ACLU Chico
Chico ACLU 03.20.08 Meeting Minutes
813 Nord Avenue
Chico, CA 95926

1. Welcome and Call to Order – Bill

Bill Sheridan starts the meeting. Bill indicates during the meeting that Robert's Rules of Order govern the Chico ACLU meetings, and if there is a changing consensus on issues, these can be reviewed at later dates.

2. Roll call of board members present – Greg

Members present at the meeting introduce themselves.

3. Review and Approve March 6 Minutes – Greg

Greg Burton reviews the minutes from the last meeting including: opening the bank account, meeting facilitators, general announcements, BOD solicitation updates, Chico Chamber of Commerce affiliation, Kick-Off event summary including money issues, Interim Outreach Committee and Interim Outreach person, and Committees and Committee members. Peter Ratner wants to make sure the name of Real ID Committee IS the Real ID Committee. Motion made to accept the minutes, seconded, and passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's report – Bill (Amy absent – illness)

Bill Sheridan gives the Treasurer's report for Amy. Amy and Bill are the names on the Chico ACLU account. Bill Sheridan indicates that the ACLU will load the Chico chapter money, up to \$1000.00 if the Chico ACLU needs it. Bill Sheridan indicates Amy can take membership and donations.

5. Board of Directors solicitation update – Leslie

Leslie states that the bios have been submitted: Leslie shortened some of the bios, with 14 bios submitted. Leslie talks about some potential committees and committee members. Bill Sheridan states that extended bios could be placed on the Chico ACLU website. Michael Coyle introduces one of his research assistants: Michael, a graduate student in political science who is interested in being on the ACLU Board.

6. Kick-Off Meeting Report – Evanne

a. Ticket Error

It was indicated that the tickets have an error on the day of the event: Friday April 4th and not Saturday April 5th. Bill Sheridan states that all we have to do is paste over a correction on this error.



b. Food Status

Leslie Johnson fills in for Evanne O'Donnell and states that we need more food, that we expect about 150 people, that the Kick-Off Committee decided to pay an extra \$50.00 for clean-up; that the liquor license needs to be taken care of, that the liquor for the hard liquor bar will be donated, members offer to bring food, Bill Sheridan stresses food hygiene, that we are insured,

c. Meeting Summary

Leslie asks about the next Kick-Off meeting, when will it occur. It was stated that the next Kick-Off meeting will be on Thursday March 27th at 813 Nord Avenue at 5:00 p.m. Peter suggests sending out an email to inquire if anyone is interested in any of the committees.

7. Discuss media outreach, press releases for kickoff event – Greg Tropea

Bill Sheridan states that Greg Tropea is not there, that Greg Tropea sent out a draft press release via an email. Bob Trausch states he will be on several radio shows. Tom Mathews states he will speaking of the Kick-Off event on his radio show. Bill Sheridan states Michael Risher will be the Kick-Off event speaker. Bill Sheridan and member discusses Chico Committee issues covered at the Kick-Off event. Bob Trausch discusses the need for a police citizen review board. Greg Burton states he is ready to create a blog on the Chico ACLU website within his area of interest: COINTELPRO, counter-intelligence.

8. Activism – Committee Establishment – Leslie

Leslie inquiries whether we should set the committees now or after the Kick-Off event. Member offers that he thought we should have sign-up sheets for each committee at the Kick-Off event. Greg Burton inquiries whether we should have an Master of Ceremonies at the Kick-Off event who could introduce the committees. Bill Sheridan indicates that we will have tables and sign-up sheets for the committees and silent auction items. Michael Coyle wants to add a Prison/Criminal Justice Committee. Anne Blake wants an Impeachment Committee. Members discuss hierarchy on the committees, i.e. who would be the leader. Members discuss difference between the Student Affairs and Education Committees. Members discuss and suggest who is to be on which committees, and how and when they are to meet. Leslie suggests a Gay Rights Committee.

9. Schedule Next Meeting – Bill

Next meeting of the Chico Chapter of the ACLU: on Thursday April 3rd 2008 at 813 Nord Avenue @ 6:00 p.m.



10. New Business

Greg Burton brings up the April 1st City Council meeting where Chico City Council will review the revision to Disorderly Events ordinance. That CACLU needs to meet beforehand to discuss how to approach any issues with the revisions at the city council meeting. Disorderly Events ordinance strategy meeting established on Monday March 31st at 813 Nord Avenue @ 5:00 p.m.

11. Adjourn – Informal Discussion

Bob Trausch announces the Thursday April 10th Impeachment forum at Chico City Council Chambers @ 6:00 p.m. Leslie indicates we need to distribute tickets to sell for Kick-Off event.