

CAMPUS ORGANIZING REPORT

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This report will provide information concerning efforts to build and support Libertarian campus organizations. I shall provide an updated report at the LNC meeting in Kansas City should additional information become available.

1) I continue to respond to inquiries from people who want information about the LP campus outreach effort. My average response time has decreased during the past few months; I am usually able to respond within 24 hours. However, there is due in some measure to a reduction in the number of inquiries received (presumably due to the summer break).

2) I continue to work with the Advocates for Self-Government to provide material (e.g., “Operation Politically Homeless” kits) to campus organizations.

3) I continue to work with various state and local LP organizations to assist their campus outreach efforts. In particular, I work with state campus outreach coordinators to assist their programs to build campus organizations and assist campus activists.

4) I continue to work closely with Students For Liberty to build libertarian groups at high schools and colleges. (I am a member of the Board of Advisors of SFL.) As part of this effort, SFL board members and I have found ways for the LP to use the services available from SFL. We must take care in the ways we work together to avoid jeopardizing SFL’s 501c(3) status.

I am pleased to report that once again I had the honor of delivering the keynote address at the annual SFL campus coordinators retreat, which took place on June 24 at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. I anticipate addressing at least two Students For Liberty regional conferences during the fall. I am working with Wes Benedict to organize an outreach effort at LibertyCon 2018 (the 2018 SFL international conference) in Washington, D.C. next March.

I delivered the keynote address at the first annual Hayek Sessions Lecture at the Institute for Political Studies at the Catholic University of Portugal in Lisbon on June 6. The event was sponsored by Students For Liberty Portugal. I am pleased to report that I shall address the European Students For Liberty regional conferences in Podgorica, Montenegro on Sept. 23 and London, England on Nov. 11.

5) I regret to report that I have not received the information I requested from the 2016 Johnson campaign concerning campus organizations and volunteers. I am continuing to make inquiries in the effort to obtain this information.

6) LPHQ continues to receive inquiries by e-mail concerning internship opportunities at LP and state parties. Robert Kraus continues to respond rapidly and professionally to these inquiries. I greatly appreciate Mr. Kraus' fine work in this matter.

7) I continue to work with Young Americans for Liberty on various projects. In particular, I delivered an address titled "Looking Back, Looking Forward: The Libertarian Movement on Campus" on July 28 at the YAL national convention in Reston, Virginia.

8) I serve as a member of the Foundation for Economic Education Faculty Network. I am interested in working with FEE to develop a couple of workshops on understanding public policy data and risk analysis.

As an aside, I am pleased to report that I received the 2017 Leonard E. Read Distinguished Alumni Award for Leadership from the Foundation. (The award, named after the founder of FEE, was presented on June 17 during the 2017 Foundation for Economic Education conference ("FEEcon 2017") in Atlanta, Georgia.)

9) On June 19, I delivered an address to roughly 100 high school students at the American University in Washington, DC. The students were participants in the Congressional Seminar, sponsored by the Washington Workshops Foundation.

The topic of the address involved the problems faced by "third party" and independent candidates. During the address and subsequent question period, I was able to discuss the Libertarian Party and libertarian philosophy at some length. From the feedback I received, the students and Seminar staff found my address worthy of their attention.