

State GOP May Retain Chair Andrew Hitt Despite Trump Loss, Series of Train Wrecks By Mark Belling, WISN-AM

Despite a hellish 2020 performance and disgraceful incompetence by his staff, Wisconsin Republican Chair Andrew Hitt may have the votes to keep his job at next Saturday's GOP Executive Board meeting. Republican sources say Hitt has the support of enough GOP insiders to keep his job. If that happens, look for no reforms of the lousy state GOP apparatus nor any move of the state headquarters out of Madison.

Here is Hitt's 2020 track record:

State Supreme Court Election: Huge Loss

Presidential Election: Narrow Loss

Fundraising: Terribly Outspent By Democrats

Management: \$2.3 million in donor money stolen in phony billing "phishing" scheme

Hitt claimed he was devastated when he learned con operators sent phony invoices to the GOP Madison based staff which paid them. The loss was \$2.3 million which might have been enough money to put Trump over the top in Wisconsin. Apparently Hitt's devastation didn't last long as he is angling to be reelected to his job.

While state GOP operations improved marginally under Hitt, it is still a Madison-based organization that relies heavily on Madison based consultants who seem talented at only one thing: losing elections.

There is virtually no paid grass roots operation in Wisconsin and the GOP was incompetent at stopping the rush to early voting approved by the state Election Commission and which was largely responsible for President Trump's Wisconsin loss.

Hitt has also done nothing about the sellout performances of the two GOP members of the state Election Commission who routinely side with democrats and the commission's liberal staff in egregious rulings that harm Republicans.

If Hitt is reelected, it will prove my point that the Madison-based operation cares only about reelecting cronies in the state legislature and has no concerns about winning either local or statewide races. GOP voters and volunteers in this state, who worked so hard for Trump, deserve better than this incompetent and apathetic Madison bunch.

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