Libertarian Party of Oregon

Minutes for February 11, 2020

ATTENDANCE

Board of Directors

Katy Brumbelow <u>Guests</u>

Don Crawford Ted Yanez (campaigns)

Gary Dye Erich Garcia
Kyle Markley Garrett Leeds
Timothy Perkins Will Hobson
Kenny Sernach (treasurer) Tim Sippel
Michelle Binker

<u>Absent</u>

Carolyn Wade Wes Wagner

December minutes were approved with minor corrections.

OFFICER REPORTS

Chair's report - Timothy Perkins

Francis Wendt was approved as Region One Alternate.

<u>Treasurer's report</u> – Kenny Sernach

Pending expenses of \$4500 \$4000 for Kyle, \$500 for convention speaker and venue

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Campaigns Director Report</u> – Ted Yanez

Eugene Newell Jr. running for state senate district 22. Jodie Newell is running for a Senate seat. Manny Guerra also potentially running. Gary Dye announces that he is also running. So far eleven candidates have come forward.

Affiliates - no report but work is being done with Dave Schuller in the Lincoln County area.

<u>Public Relations</u> – Katy Brumbelow

Junior Statesmen convention on February 3rd was a great opportunity. Enlisted three potential high school volunteers who want to learn more about the LPO. Redirected one other to Washington State's LPO.

Special Conventions Committee - Katy Brumbelow

Timothy Perkins offered to make an in-kind contribution to cover costs for lunch to people who RSVP. Timothy wants to serve on the special convention committee.

Kenny moved to add Timothy to the convention committee. Don seconded. Adopted by voice vote.

Richard Longstreth, possibly Dan Behrman and Mark Whitney may attend.

<u>Data Director's Report</u>– Kyle Markley

The webpage for our 2020 primary is finally up, after I brushed up on CSS enough to resolve the formatting conflicts with our current theme's stylesheet. The page includes a link to the primary election rules approved at our previous meeting. There was a period of time that due to a query error the Secretary of State position wasn't being shown, but that's fixed now.

I sent e-mail to all the Libertarian candidates or pre-candidates from our 2018 election season to let them know that we are now registering candidates for the 2020 election season. I think it had little to no effect. The postcard will be much more effective. Our candidate database currently has 8 people, but fewer are being shown online because they haven't settled on an office or haven't confirmed their candidacy.

Christopher Peters volunteered to put together the web page(s) and forms for handling responses to the election announcement postcard. Christopher and I will make sure the variable parts of the message, like the personalized list of offices the member could run for, are right. He says that he already has working code for form redirection and is only a little bit away from querying and form submission.

If we collect a significant number of e-mail addresses, we might save a lot of money by delivering some ballots electronically, but we might not have enough time to make this happen this year.

Katy and Gary asked to be added to the Bylaws Committee
Discussion regarding bylaws to be done by email so we can get it done by two weeks from now.

Bylaws Committee - Kyle Markley

There were no volunteers to join the bylaws committee. I took the 2019 convention delegate packet and removed the bylaws proposals that did not pass the straw poll at that convention. I also removed the proposal to reduce quorum at convention because the amendment which led to its approval was procedurally flawed, as it would have created a convention that could produce bylaws amendments even though it could not conduct any other business.

The proposal to create a public policy board is included, and incorporates the amendment from the convention to require a two-thirds vote to exercise its power, but I refined that to just the areas where it seemed that the board would be speaking on behalf of the party. We should consider whether to keep the language here giving county affiliates a role in selecting the public policy board, or change it to work the same way as the board of directors election.

The current bylaws amendment proposals are:

- 1. Require Mail Ballot to Amend Bylaws
- 2. Bylaws Amendment via Referral from Board
- 3. Electronic Voting
- 4. Eligibility for Serving as a Director and Voting in the Director Election

- 5. Public Policy Board
- 6. Allow STAR Voting Method
- 7. Broadening Eligibility for Nomination
- 8. Electronic Meetings
- 9. Adjust Time Range for Transitional Board Meeting
- 10. Attendance Requirement for Directors
- 11. Remove Term: "Libertarian Elector"

Aspects of the delegate packet beyond the bylaws proposals still need significant work

Other business from Kyle

Members reviewed Kyle's draft of the political party statement for the primary election Voters' Pamphlet. Some conversation about references to weapons led to a discussion of reviewing it further to make sure no policy position is taken by the board.

Member Development - Don Crawford

Ryan Gabriel and Peter VandenBerg interested in helping with Nationbuilder.

There were no special orders.

Board vacancies

Interested parties present – Ted Yanez, Erich Garcia, Tim Sippel. Kyle spoke strongly in favor of Tim Sippel's record of volunteering. Erich Garcia spoke up regarding the need to make a quorum and the urgency for this convention.

Don Crawford moved to add Timothy Sippel and Erich Garcia to the board of directors. The motion to nominate both at one time died for a lack of a second.

Kyle Markley moved to add Timothy Sippel to the board of directors. Don Crawford seconded. Adopted by voice vote.

Don Crawford moved to add Erich Garcia to the board of directors. Kenny Sernach seconded. Adopted by voice vote.

2020 delegate status not reported in absence of Carolyn; however,

Will Hobson will be attending national convention. Tim Sippel has expressed interest in attending. Erich Garcia also interested. Kenny moved that Tim Sippel and Gary Dye be added as delegates. Seconded by Erich. Adopted by voice vote. Kenny moved to confirm Garrett Leeds as delegate. Erich seconded. Adopted by voice vote.

February action items list:

Timothy: Add new board members to website (awaiting headshots)

Timothy: Give new board members email addresses and add to director email list (done)

Kenny: File new statement of organization with new directors

Erich/Kyle: postcard rework

Convention committee: convention schedule Bylaws committee: finalize amendments list

Kyle: Add two new candidates to LPO 2020 Primary webpage Timothy: give feedback on primary voter's pamphlet statement

Timothy: demo Zoom software

Katy: prepare the February minutes and send to directors

Convention notice – by February 27th (website).

Next board meeting – March 10th.

Adjourned.