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Minutes from August 10th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
By Zoom

## Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Wednesday, August 10th 2022, at $8: 35$ pm by Zoom, the Chairman being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

## Present Remotely

Timothy Perkins (Chair)
Will Hobson (Vice-Chair)
Kenny Sernach (Treasurer)
Taylor Rickey (Secretary)
William Johnson Jr
Peter VandenBerg
Kyle Markley
Rachel Saulo

Absent
Tim Sippel

## Observers

Marrion Skinner
Mary Collins
Leon Noble
Tom Busse
Pablo Serrato
Artemis Wanderlust

## Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda, Peter moves to approve the agenda and William Johnson Jr seconds. No objections. The agenda is approved.

## Approval of Minutes

the minutes were not presented. Taylor was unable to provide them at this time.

## Consent Agenda

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Timothy moves and Peter seconds to approve the LPO constitution and bylaws as shown in the most recent version of the document produced by Kyle Markley, for public distribution and to direct the chair to promptly submit it to the Oregon Secretary of state Elections division.

Ayes: Peter, William J, Timothy P, Kenny, Kyle, Taylor, Rachel, Will H, Tim S. Nays: None

## Open Forum

No comments.

## Reports of Officers

## Chair's Report (Timothy Perkins)

Timothy reports that he has nothing to report in the LPO front, He has a lot going on in his personal life. remodeling his house and still needs to catch up on 150 emails. We still have some cushion to submit SEL 110s for candidates. He thanked Taylor for helping get the SEL 110s submitted. Taxation is theft and three years ago today Jeffery Epstein didn't kill himself. Kyle asked how many candidates have we reached out to to get SEL 110s submitted and Timothy did not have that number readily available after checking he came to the total of 37 potential nominees some of them are in tied races, bringing the total closer to 30 with 7 confirmed verbally.

## Vice Chair (Will Hobson)

Will reports there is some stress regarding election hurdles, a lot of people are learning to run and he is optimistic we will figure it out. Will is working on projects, in the next few days he will release some of the projects he is working on. No questions for the Vice Chair.

## Treasurer (Kenny Sernach)

Kenny reports we may be able to pay Kyle back for his contribution to the cost of the primary elections. Kenny moves to authorize the repayment to Kyle Markley and also a motion to pay for the post office box. The cost of the PO box will be deducted via a card so we will have to authorize repayment for that. Kennys first motion is that we repay Kyle for the primary mailing costs of 2070.14 Taylor seconds

Roll Call for repayment to Kyle Markley: Timothy Perkins,(aye) Will Hobson(aye), Kenny Sernach,(aye) Taylor Rickey(aye), Peter VandenBerg,(aye) William Johnson Jr,(aye) Kyle Markley(aye), Rachel Saulo(aye). unanimously the motion passes to repay Kyle
2070.14 for the primary mailing costs. Timothy would like to discuss moving the PO box before the renewal is due. Artemis Wanderlust suggested mailing services from online, Pablo volunteered to have the PO box in Multnomah county. Kyle said we would need to have a PO box close to at least two directors. the renewal is 332 dollars, Kyle moves to approve the payment of the PO box not to exceed 350 dollars Peter seconds

Roll Call to approve payment to renew PO box Not to exceed 350 dollars Timothy Perkins,(abstains) Will Hobson(aye), Kenny Sernach,(aye) Taylor Rickey(aye), Peter VandenBerg,(aye) William Johnson Jr,(aye) Kyle Markley(aye), Rachel Saulo(aye). The motion passes to approve payment to renew the PO box in the amount not to exceed 350 dollars. Pablo asked about the logistics of setting up a Paypal, Kyle said we have set up a Stripe account. Leon said Paypal has a way to collect employer information however it does not seem to work for his website.

## Secretary (Taylor Rickey)

Taylor did not have much to report as he was busy running a campaign and starting a new business LiberTees LLC. He did report that he has submitted some SEL 110s for Michael Morrow, Leon Noble and himself.

## Reports of Boards and Committees

A. Campaigns Director (LJ Mills )

LJ was absent Timothy reported in his absence that LJ helped Timothy with candidate contact information. No comments or questions.

## B. Fund Raising (William Johnson Jr)

William Johnson Jr reports that he is excited that we have paid off Kyle and asked for a list of donors from last month. He asked Pablo if we are going to set up the $t$-shirt store on the website to start raising money for the party.
C. Public Relations (Will Hobson)

Will Hobson reports that he has been asking different members of the party to serve on the public policy board. To allow statements to be coordinated for the public relations committee. He is going to have a booth with Travis West in Sherman county and is thinking of getting a booth at the Oregon Moms conference and he has ordered a banner for himself. The banner says Libertarian Party of Oregon. He is working on
creating graphics to help with the soon to be launched store. Leon asked to be added to the list for the Public relations committee as did Artimus

## D. Data (Kyle Markley)

Kyle reports that the only noteworthy thing on the data front is that Pablo is interested in helping out with Data things and Kyle is going to train him up. Leon Noble asked what all help is needed for the Data committee. To which Kyle responded that we need to update the CRM and get it integrated with national. And input data from the voter lists from the Secretary of State and Leon expressed interest in helping out on the data committee. Kyle will send Leon a spreadsheet with voter data, (Action Item Kyle to distribute voter lists to candidates Leon and Taylor)

## E. Bylaws (Kyle Markley)

Kyle reports that we have new bylaws that have been submitted to the Secretary of State Election Divison. Kyle moves to dissolve the bylaws committee, no objection and the committee is hereby dissolved.

## F. Website ( Timothy Perkins)

Timothy reports he did nothing with the website however Pablo added an events calendar to keep people updated of upcoming events like county meetings and board meetings.
G. Affiliate (Katy Brumbelow)

Absent, no report. Timothy asked Pablo if Multnomah County had gotten 17 people together to officially affiliated to which Pablo says no. We did not but they have gotten a bank and have been taking donations. And Tom Busse has taken on the interim role of Multnomah pac treasurer and Pablo has taken on a leadership role as chair, and have bylaws ready. His only question is can they reach quorum for affiliation in a hybrid manner.

## H. Member Development (Peter Vandenberg)

Peter reports that last Saturday Multnomah County held an event for homeschooling. This event is something that will be ongoing to help bring parents looking to get their kids out of public schools interested. Peter is going to be hosting a BBQ at his house on Saturday Aug 27th in Milwaukee. Peter would like to resign as a board member effective immediately and recommends we nominate Pablo Serrato to replace him. Will Hobson moves that we appoint Pablo Serrato to the board to fill the vacancy left by Peter Vandenberg and William Johnson Jr seconds. Kenny would invite discussion. He asked if Pablo is interested or any other attendees would be interested.

Pablo said he is interested as did Artemis. Kyle Markley, Will Hobson, William Johnson Jr, and Leon Noble all express admiration for the hard work and contributions that Pablo has made for the Libertarian Party of Oregon. Timothy advises. If anyone would like to consider Artemis to vote down the motion to appoint Pablo and make a new motion. The chair brings the motion to appoint Pablo Serrato to the vacant board position back to the floor after discussion and Pablo Serrato is unanimously confirmed. Kenny encouraged Artemis to stick around if he is still interested in joining the board in the future. Leon Noble expressed interest in joining the member development board.

Special orders:
There are no special orders
New and Unfinished Business:

## A. 2022 primary election (Timothy Perkins)

Timothy reports that we have until August 30th to submit the SEL 110s to the Secretary of State Elections division. Taylor has already submitted 3 for himself (Taylor Rickey) Leon Noble and Michael Morrow. We may need to break ties depending on how many people accept their nominations. Leon asked if he there was any help needed to get the SEL 110s and Timothy said he has a more than adequate committee taking care of it.

## B. 2023 LPO Convention Committee (Will Hobson)

Will reports that we have another meeting coming up on August 30th online and that we have narrowed it down to the Best Western Agate Beach as a venue for the convention. Leon and Marrion have been in contact with the venue. Leon had written up a RFP and after careful consideration we have landed on the Best Western Agate Beach as the front runner for our 2023 LPO convention Timothy asked what the $\$ 2500$ deposit is and if it is refundable if we do not reach the $\$ 7500$ minimum for the convention. Kyle commented that he is concerned that people will not be willing to attend an event that has been normally free in the past if they are required to pay for a hotel room. But seeing as it is going to be a 2 day event there was going to be lodging required. With the Best Western at Agate Beach we will only need approximately 35 rooms to meet the minimum, Marrion explained if cost is a factor that there is going to be a zoom component for those that could not afford to attend in person. Leon added that we have a time and a date and a location and now we have to advertise. Kenny asked if we meet the minimum on rooms could the party cover the cost for the catering so we don't have to sell tickets for catering, Leon said that would be possible but probably 2 or 3 thousand dollars. But won't have an exact catering cost until about a month from the convention. Timothy reminded the committee that the board will need to authorize the deposit and venue. However without the cash on hand we are not in position to vote on the venue at this time.

Open Forum:
Tom Busse: wants to have the party fund measure arguments, they have a pac and website to raise money to fund the measure arguments. He wants to know if the Party would be interested in funding measure arguments.

Leon Noble: reminded candidates about deadline for turning in signatures Kenny, asked for Leon to email a PDF to gather signatures.

Mary Collins: will not be at the next board meeting to record but will post to YouTube if someone else records the meeting.

Next Board Meeting is set for Sept 14th 2022.
Will asked if we could appoint members to the Public Policy Board. At the next meeting. However we must wait 90 days to fill them. Will asked if we could move the meeting to the 21st to populate the public policy board. Kyle would like to hear from the people interested in positions on the Public Policy Board. Timothy suggested a google doc for candidates to fill out and they can attend at the next board meeting to pitch themselves to the board. The board agrees that this is a reasonable step. Will moves to change the date of the next board meeting to Sept 21st at $8: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. Taylor seconds and there is no objection. The next meeting for the board of the Libertarian Party of Oregon is Sept 21st 2022 at 8:30pm

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Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Call to Order at 8:30 pm, August 10th, 2022
https://us02web.zoom.us///8458935125
Meeting ID: 8458935125

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes
A. July 13th, 2022 Regular Meeting
3. Consent Agenda
A. Timothy moved and Peter seconded to "approve the LPO Constitution and Bylaws, as shown in the most recent version of the document produced by Kyle Markley, for public distribution and to direct the chair to promptly submit it to the Oregon Secretary of State Elections Division." Ayes: Peter, William J, Timothy P, Kenny, Kyle, Taylor, Rachel, Will H, Tim S Nays: none
4. Open Forum - observers may speak on any agenda item
5. Reports of Officers
A. Chair - Timothy Perkins
B. Vice Chair - Will Hobson
C. Treasurer - Kenneth Sernach
D. Secretary - Taylor Rickey
6. Reports of Committees and Directors
A. Campaigns - LJ Mills
B. Fundraising - William Johnson Jr.
C. Public Relations - Will Hobson
D. Data - Kyle Markley
E. Bylaws - Kyle Markley
F. Website - Timothy Perkins
G. Affiliate - Katy Brumbelow
H. Member Development - Peter Vandenberg
7. Special Orders
8. Unfinished and New Business
A. 2022 Primary Election - Timothy Perkins
B. 2023 LPO Convention Committee - Will Hobson
9. Open Forum - observers may speak on any item they wish
10. Next Board Meeting is set by policy for September 14th, 2022

# Libertarian Party of Oregon Constitution and Bylaws 

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## Article 1 - Name

The name of this organization shall be the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO).

## Article 2 - Purpose

The purpose of the LPO is to perform the activities necessary to place as many partisan Libertarian candidates on the ballot for elections in the State of Oregon as possible and to promote the system of governance espoused by the Libertarian Party Statement of Principles.

## Article 3 - Members

All registered Libertarian voters in the state of Oregon are voting members of the LPO. No dues are required to be a voting member of the LPO. Only voting members have the right to participate in LPO conventions and vote in LPO mail ballots. Only voting members are eligible to hold office in the LPO, except for offices that explicitly permit non-voting members to hold that office.

The LPO will have no authority to restrict or limit its members in any way not expressly allowed in this document.

## Article 4 - Officers

## Sec 1: Defined

The officers of the LPO shall be the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. No officer is entitled to vote at board meetings unless he or she is also an elected or appointed director. The board of directors may appoint, remove, or replace an officer by majority vote. Removal from a position as an officer does not affect a person's status as a director.

## Sec 2: Chairperson

The board of directors must elect a chairperson from amongst themselves. The chairperson shall preside at all board meetings and conventions. The chairperson will be the Chief Executive Officer of the LPO. If the chairperson office becomes vacant, the vice chairperson becomes the chairperson, vacating the vice chairperson office.

## Sec 3: Vice Chairperson

The board of directors must elect a vice chairperson from amongst themselves. The vice chairperson shall act as assistant to the chairperson, and shall perform the duties of the chairperson in the chairperson's absence. If the vice chairperson office becomes vacant, the board of directors must elect a new vice chairperson from amongst themselves.

## Sec 4: Secretary

The board of directors must appoint or hire a secretary. The secretary need not be a voting member of the LPO. The secretary is the recording and corresponding officer of the LPO.

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## Sec 5: Treasurer

The board of directors must appoint or hire a treasurer. The treasurer need not be a voting member of the LPO. The treasurer is the individual who is listed as the treasurer for the LPO with the Oregon Secretary of State, and has all of the responsibilities required of a party treasurer by Oregon law in addition to those prescribed by LPO governing documents and policies.

## Article 5 - Board of Directors

## Sec 1: Composition

The Board of Directors, otherwise known by Oregon State Law as the State Central Committee, shall have nine directors. The term of office for directors begins (for the incoming directors) and ends (for the outgoing directors) during the transitional board meeting, a special board meeting called for the purpose of transitioning from one set of directors to another.

## Sec 2: Eligibility

All members of the board of directors must continuously maintain membership in the LPO, or they automatically forfeit their seat.

To be eligible to be appointed to fill a vacancy on the board of directors, a person must be a member of the LPO.

To be eligible to stand for election to the board of directors, a person must be a member of the LPO and must submit a candidate statement of not less than 100 words. The board of directors may adopt rules regarding the required format and length of candidate statements.

## Sec 3: Authority

The board of directors has full power and authority over the affairs of the LPO between conventions with the following exceptions:
A. Modifying actions taken in convention.
B. Powers granted to the Public Policy Board.
C. Modifying the constitution and bylaws of the LPO.

## Sec 4: Duties

The board shall have the following duties:

- Transact all business of the LPO between conventions.
- Elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among the board of directors.
- Appoint or hire a secretary and treasurer.
- Appoint delegates to the National Libertarian Party conventions.
- Define policy for the operation of the LPO.
- Perform other such duties defined in the LPO Constitution and Bylaws or as directed at convention.


## Sec 5: Voting Rights

Only the 9 regular directors shall have voting rights in matters within the board's purview.

## Sec 6: Vacancies

Any office or directorship left vacant for any reason may be filled by appointment of a qualified person by majority vote of the remaining directors.

## Sec 7: Non-Voting Directors

The board of directors, by a two-thirds vote, may create or remove additional non-voting director positions to perform administrative duties, and by a majority vote may appoint, remove or replace the director holding such a position.

No director position thus created may possess any authority that is not already possessed by the board of directors as a whole.

## Sec 8: Transitional Board Meeting

The outgoing board of directors must schedule a transitional board meeting to occur no later than the day after the regular convention. At this board meeting, the term of office for the outgoing directors ends and the term of office for the incoming directors begins. The incoming directors must elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among the board of directors at this meeting.

## Sec 9: Regular Board Meetings

The board of directors must adopt a policy establishing regular board meetings. In the absence of such a policy, the board of directors meets at the call of the chairperson.

## Section 10: Attendance

Directors are expected to attend board meetings. A voting director who fails to attend two regularly scheduled consecutive board meetings may be removed from the board by a two-thirds vote of its whole membership at the next meeting. If then present, the member facing removal may not vote on this question. If quorum is not reached for two regularly scheduled consecutive board meetings, all voting directors absent at both meetings are automatically removed from the board.

## Article 6 - Public Policy Board

## Sec 1: Composition

## A. Eligibility

1. To stand for election to or remain a member of the Public Policy Board, a person must meet the same qualifications as those set for the Board of Directors, and must pledge in writing "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals."
2. No person may simultaneously be a voting member of the Board of Directors and a voting member of the Public Policy Board. One position must be resigned before that person may exercise their vote in the other. A person elected simultaneously to both boards may resign from
one before the start of their term, allowing election runners-up to earn the position as if the resigning person had not been a candidate.
3. A person who no longer meets the eligibility requirements to serve is automatically and immediately removed from the Public Policy Board.
4. A member of the Public Policy Board who fails to attend two regularly scheduled consecutive meetings may be removed by a two-thirds vote at the next meeting. If then present, the member facing removal may not vote on this question.

## B. Maintenance

1. The Public Policy Board shall be elected by the LPO membership at large, using the same schedule, voting method, electors, and balloting as for the election of the Board of Directors.
2. The Public Policy Board shall have 11 members, whose terms start and end concurrently with the those of the Board of Directors.
3. Vacancies may be filled by appointment by the remainder of the Public Policy Board.
4. Vacancies persisting for more than 90 days may be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors.

## C. Non-voting Members

The Public Policy Board may appoint or remove non-voting members to serve as advisers, writers, subcommittee chairs, or any other role they deem useful to the business of the Public Policy Board. Non-voting members enjoy every privilege of membership on the Public Policy Board except voting.

## Sec 2: Authority

## A. Duties

The Public Policy Board shall:

1. in their first meeting of a new term, select from among the regular members a Chair and Secretary.
2. submit written meeting minutes to the Board of Directors within one week of adoption.
3. advise the Board of Directors on the exercise of its power in Article 8, Sec. 1 (A) to choose a nominee for election to public office.
4. maintain records of public policy positions adopted in convention.
5. maintain the public policy platform.
6. oversee public communications related to LPO public policy positions and platform.

## B. Powers

The Public Policy Board is empowered, with a two-thirds quorum requirement, to:

1. upon a three-fourths vote, adopt positions on specific matters of public policy.
2. upon a three-fourths vote, create and amend the public policy platform of the LPO.
3. upon a three-fourths vote, issue candidate and ballot measure endorsements.
4. upon a three-fourths vote, approve statements for the Voters' Pamphlet in support of or in opposition to ballot measures.
5. approve a political party statement for the Voters' Pamphlet.
6. upon a two-thirds vote, provide feedback and public testimony on legislative bills and administrative rules, or authorize LPO members to do so.
7. recommend LPO members to serve in government organizations.
8. recommend LPO members to fill vacancies in public office.
9. veto the nomination of any non-member of the LPO to election for public office.
10. veto the nomination of any LPO member to election for public office, but only with the concurrence of the Board of Directors, and requiring a two-thirds vote of each board.
11. delegate any of these powers to subcommittees, the motion to do so being subject to the same vote margin requirement as the power(s) thus delegated, and to set the policies by which the subcommittee members and leadership are seated.

## C. Exclusions

The Public Policy Board has no authority to:

1. conflict with the Libertarian Party Statement of Principles.
2. conflict with public policy positions adopted in convention.

## D. Funding

The Public Policy Board may request funding from the Board of Directors to:

1. pay for approved Voters' Pamphlet statements.
2. transfer to an LPO nominee or their candidate committee.
3. transfer to a political action committee that is not a candidate committee.
4. fund other political advocacy of the LPO.

## Sec 3: Transition

The officers of the outgoing Public Policy Board shall convey to the incoming members pending business items, unapproved minutes, recent drafts, and any other materials they deem to be of importance or urgency. These items shall be conveyed no later than the date of the incoming Public Policy Board's first meeting, which in turn shall be no earlier than the corresponding transitional meeting of the Board of Directors that marks the beginning and end of the term of office.

## Sec 4: Meetings

The Public Policy Board must adopt a policy establishing regular meetings. In the absence of such a policy, the Public Policy Board meets at the call of its Chair.

## Article 7 - Committees

The Board of Directors may create special or standing committees by a two-thirds vote and set the policy by which the committee members and leadership are seated.

## Article 8 - Conventions

## Sec 1: Regular Biennial Convention

The LPO shall hold its regular biennial business convention in the state of Oregon in the spring of each odd-numbered year, at a time and place chosen by the board of directors.

## Sec 2: Special Conventions

The board of directors, or a group of voting members of no less than $1 \%$ of the voting members, may call a special convention to revise the Constitution and Bylaws and perform other business as needed. The purpose for a special convention must be included in the notice for the convention and the program for the convention cannot deviate from this purpose.

## Sec 3: Convention Delegates

Any voting member who registers as a delegate in accordance with convention rules may attend and participate in that convention as a voting delegate. The quorum requirement for any convention shall be the lesser of one hundred (100) or one quarter of one percent ( $0.25 \%$ ) of the membership.

## Sec 4: Convention Notice

Electronic notice of all conventions must be given to all voting members. A prominent posting on the front page of the LPO web site and posting the notice to an electronic mailing list designated for such notices is sufficient for this purpose. It is the responsibility of voting members to ensure that they receive the notice. 45 days notice must be given. The notice must include the time, place, and proposed program of the convention. If a special convention is called by the members directly, they must provide 45 days written notice by mail.

## Article 9 - Elections

## Sec 1: Methods of calling election

## A. Regular Primary Election

An election is called automatically in conjunction with the State of Oregon Primary election season. The election process used shall be mail/electronic ballot, unless the board of directors lacks the funds to run an election by mail, and votes by a two thirds margin instead to nominate by convention.

The board of directors shall set the schedule of deadlines so that they are compatible with Oregon Law and to accommodate the schedule of the national party convention if possible.

The LPO may implement a method of electronic voting in lieu of mailed paper ballots. Members may opt instead to receive a mailed or printable paper ballot or opt out of receiving a ballot.

The board must send ballots to all voting members who have not opted out of receiving a ballot, and also either returned a ballot in the previous primary election, contacted the LPO to request a ballot, or joined the LPO since the last primary election. The board may send ballots to voting members who do not meet the above criteria, but to do so the board must send ballots to all voting members who have not opted out of receiving a ballot.

The regular primary election shall serve to ratify bylaws previously referred, and nominate candidates for partisan office, or decide any other matters referred for ratification.

If the primary election does not yield a nominee for an office, or if the primary election winner and all runners-up are ineligible, unable, or unwilling to be the nominee, or fail to submit their nomination
paperwork by a deadline determined by the board, then the board may elect a voting member of the LPO to be the nominee for that office.

## B. Director Elections

In odd numbered years elections for directors shall be held on a schedule that permits the results to be announced at the regular convention. Electors for the election of the board of directors shall be those LPO members who meet any of the following additional criteria relating to LPO business:
(1) were a delegate in the previous odd-numbered-year regular convention
(2) were a delegate in any convention since the previous odd-numbered-year regular convention
(3) served on any board or committee since the previous transitional board meeting
(4) returned a timely ballot in the previous primary election
(5) made a cash or in-kind donation at or since the previous odd-numbered-year regular convention

People may be electors by virtue of their status as a convention delegate without regard to whether that convention made quorum.

## C. Special Elections

The board may call special elections for the purpose of filling vacancies for partisan offices when special elections are called by the State of Oregon.

Such elections shall be run on a schedule that permits the process to be completed before the deadlines required for the special election that has been called by the State of Oregon. The board shall determine whether nominations shall be by mail ballot or by convention. In the event that it is not possible to hold an election due to the schedule provided by the Oregon Elections Division, the board may nominate registered libertarian electors as candidates for special elections.

## Sec 2: Rules for Elections

## A. General rules that apply to all elections

- Ballots must be secret.
- The rules as provided by our parliamentary authority (if any) for the handling of ballots and elections shall be observed at a minimum. Higher standards may be adopted by policy.
- The board of directors (or appointed committee), must adopt rules governing the execution of the election, including notification procedures, registering to have a candidate's name placed on the ballot, and other special rules as necessary. These rules shall be published electronically for the public.
- No fee may be assessed, or petitioning requirements made, for the placement of a candidate's name on the ballot if they are a member of the party.
- Balloting may be conducted by physical mail or electronically, or by a combination of both, at the discretion of the board of directors.
- Ballot packets shall include a section inviting members to volunteer to serve as directors, candidates, committee chairs or committee members, or in other capacities, and soliciting suggestions for party functions and activities. This section, containing the voting member's name and contact information, shall be separate from submitted ballots and archived for use by the board of directors and committees to find volunteers for particular functions and activities.
- Elections for a single position shall be tabulated by instant runoff voting, unless the board of directors votes to instead use the score then automatic runoff method ("STAR").
- Elections for multiple positions shall be tabulated using the Wright system of single transferable vote as defined by the proportional representation society of Australia, unless the board of directors votes to instead use the multi-winner or proportional representation version of the score then automatic runoff method ("STAR-PR"), or the Reweighted Range Voting method ("RRV").


## B. Rules for Primary Elections

- A space must be made available to write in any eligible candidate for every office, even offices with no candidates running.


## Article 10 - Finances

## Sec 1: Voting Requirements for Expenditures

All approvals of expenditures or new liabilities must be made by roll call vote of the board of directors, and their votes must be entered into the minutes.

Every expenditure in excess of $\$ 500$, adjusted annually for inflation from the time of adoption, must be approved by a two-thirds vote.

## Sec 2: Designated Donations

Any individual may donate funds for a specific purpose. Such donations must be used as directed, provided it is consistent with the LPO purpose and principles. All such designated donations and their dispositions must be included in the regular treasurer's report. If the board of directors decides the purpose for a donation is inappropriate, the person making the donation must be given the opportunity to re-designate the donation or have it refunded.

## Article 11 - Candidates

## Sec 1: Libertarian candidates

To be eligible to register as a Libertarian candidate in the primary election, the person must be a member of the LPO and meet all legal qualifications required for the office. The LPO is under no obligation to nominate a person who ceases to be a member of the LPO before their nomination is made.

## Sec 2: Other candidates

People who are not members of the LPO may request to register for the primary election, but their inclusion is at the discretion of the Board of Directors, who may either take requests on a case-by-case basis or set a uniform election rule. Ballots must note their political party affiliation (if any). The Board of Directors shall publish rules describing whether and how to count votes for registered and write-in candidates who are not members of the LPO. These rules must significantly advantage candidates who are members of the LPO over candidates who are not.

## Sec 3: Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates

The Board of Directors is authorized to decide whether or not to include the races for President and Vice President of the United States in the primary election, and if included, to decide which candidates to list. Such candidates shall be treated as-if they were members of the LPO for purposes of election rules. If the LPO is affiliated with a national Libertarian party, the results of the primary election are intended to inform but shall not bind LPO delegates to the national Libertarian convention, and the LPO shall nominate the candidates chosen by that convention. The Board of Directors shall also make appointments of LPO members to the Electoral College.

## Article 12 - Affiliate Parties and Organizations

The board of directors may grant charters to groups of LPO voting members wishing to establish an affiliate party or organization. The board of directors must establish a policy for how such charters are granted and maintained. Affiliate organizations do not have any authority to nominate candidates or indenture the LPO in any manner.

## Article 13 - Parliamentary Authority

## Sec 1: Choice of Authority

Each body of the LPO may adopt or change the parliamentary authority they use to operate by two-thirds vote.

## Sec 2: Remote Meetings

Remote attendance at meetings of any body of the LPO is permitted, provided that continuous audio is available. Business may be conducted by written electronic communication according to a policy adopted by the board of directors.

## Article 14 - Amendment

## Sec 1: Referrals

Amendments to this constitution and bylaws must always be referred to a vote of the membership.
Conventions may refer amendments, or withdraw any pending referrals, by a two-thirds vote. The Board of Directors may refer amendments, or withdraw its own pending referrals, by a unanimous vote.

## Sec 2: Ratification

Referred amendments are subject to ratification by a two-thirds vote in a mail or electronic ballot. The board of directors must decide whether to combine a ratification ballot with the next regular primary election ballot or to send an earlier special ballot. For special ballots, the list of electors must be created in the same manner as for regular primary election ballots.

If a primary election season nominates by convention rather than by ballot, amendments that would have been ratified at that ballot shall remain pending.

## Sec 3: Effective Date

Amendments adopted solely to comply with legal requirements take effect immediately upon referral. All other amendments take effect upon ratification.

## Article 15 - Other Authority

These bylaws are governed by all valid provisions of state and federal laws.

