

# Minutes from January 11th 2023 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, January 11th 2023, at 7:05 pm by Zoom, the Chairman being in the chair.

#### Attendance was as follows:

Present Remotely	Absent	Observers
Timothy Perkins (Chair) Will Hobson (Vice Chair) Kenny Sernach (Treasurer) Pablo Serrato William Johnson Jr Brad Lee Tim Sipple (late)	Taylor Rickey (Secretary) Rachel Saulo	Marion Skinner Matt Brown Travis West Risto Rushford Peter VandenBerg R Leon Noble

## **Approval of Agenda**

Approval of Agenda moved by Will Hobson and seconded by William Johnson Jr.

No objections.

# **Approval of Minutes**

No minutes presented to approve

#### **Consent Agenda**

There is a pending motion moved by Taylor Rickey and seconded by Brad Lee to approve the application for the Sherman county affiliate. That will be addressed under the relevant directors report.

#### **Open Forum**

Peter asked for clarification on his nomination of Brad Lee to be the member development director. Timothy assures Peter we will get that corrected this evening. Also Peter added he gave Kenny some donations last night.

#### **Reports of Officers**

**Chair's Report** (Timothy Perkins)

Timothy reports that the LNC had a meeting earlier this week and reports that nothing of note for Oregon. He is looking forward to the directors election and PPB election coming up in May.

#### Vice Chair (Will Hobson)

Will reports he nailed down the deposit for the venue for the convention for 1000 dollars and will look to discuss recompensation later in the meeting. He has been doing a lot of social media outreach. He will be flying out to the Rage Against the War Machine event in Washington DC. He has recently started a new job and trying to balance time management between job and duties as vice chair. Pablo asked if we can announce the date of the convention on the website. Confirmation that the convention is MA 28th 2023 at the Shawn Gardner Dance Studio in Tigard Oregon

### Treasurer (Kenny Sernach)

Kenny reports that he is behind in all sorts of stuff but he reports that the Libertarian Party of Oregon currently has 2249 in the bank account. He reports that 1270 came in via online donations in December. But we need to refund some of that due to a recurring donation that the donor wished to cancel. The board will vote via email to authorize Kenny the ability to disperse the refund via email to protect the privacy of the donor. Pablo asked how much of the December donations came from ask for end of the year donations. Kenny reports 10 donations came in after Christmas. Will asked if it is possible to get the log in info for the bank accounts to help with the fundraising committee and strategic planning. Timothy asked if Kenny will look into forwarding information to Will Hobson. Kenny said he will look into it.

### <u>Secretary</u> (Taylor Rickey)

Taylor is not present and has nothing to report.

#### **Reports of Boards and Committees**

#### A. Fund Raising (William Johnson Jr)

William Johnson Jr appreciates the board doing the end of year ask. He reports that he is no longer able to continue the duties as fundraiser director. He effectively resigns his position as fundraising director but wants to stay on the committee. Will offers to be the interim director of the meeting. Will moves to become the chair of the fundraising committee Timothy Perkins seconds and there is no objections. Peter asked if William Jonson Jr would be interested in being involved in the social media end of the party. William Johnson Jr declined. Not a question but Pablo pledged a matching donation up to 500 dollars to help secure the venue for the convention. Timothy mentions that the survey regarding the convention a number of people expressed interest in helping fund the convention and for WIII to tap that list to solicite donations. Will said he will.

#### B. Campaigns (Will Hobson)

Will asks if Wendsdays are a good day to get things done. And to set committee meetings on Wendsdays or tuesdays to keep committee meetings in order and timely. Will reports that Matt Rowe is interested in chairing the campaigns committee. Matt Rowe said he is excited about the 2024 cycle and wants to lead the charge. Will motions to elect Matt Rowe to the campaigns committee and Pablo seconds no objections. Will Hobson if any else is interested in serving. Will looks forward to starting a campaigns document for future candidates. Pablo asked what county Matt Rowe resides in which is Coos. Pabo asked about non partisan races like school board and if that would something in the purview of Matt Rowe's vision for campaigns. And Matt Rowe said that it would be dishonest for him to say yes as those elections are fast approaching and that is something to plan for in the fall. But will work on them in the coming cycle as they are the building blocks of successful campaigns.

#### **C.** Public Relations (Will Hobson)

Will reports that he is relasing the statements from the public policy board and that the Oregon LPMC has made contact with a German citizen and have been sharing his story of searching for freedom. He has been posting about the Rage Against the War Machine. He sent out emails for fundraising that raised over 1000 dollars. He expressed doing more events like the Central Catholic event last month. Peter wanted to thank Will for the shout out of the LPMC and asked how the Public Policy board could get access to the LPO social media. Will moves to add Peter VandenBerg to the Public relation committee. Brad Lee seconds amended motion to add Sonja Fintech the votes are 5 ayes and 1 abstain (Kenny Sernach)

### **D.** Information & Technology : (Pablo Serrato)

Pablo reports he has made progress in looking into election app and election buddy app and how to import the data. He looks forward to testing it and adopting a timeline to test the election app and sending out an email to satisfy the bylaw requirements for the upcoming directors election. Pablo also reports that when the PPB (Public Policy Board) announces a resolution that he is putting it on the news center. But the newer posts are pushing the older ones out so he created a tab for the Public Policy Board specifically and listing all the resolutions there. Timothy asked if we can add important upcoming dates to the homepage of the LPO website. Pablo asked if we need a voter roll for to determine quorum for the convention and for the board of directors election. Timothy said that we do need to pull them for Credentialing at the convention and one before to determine eligibility for the director elections.

#### E. Affiliates (Katy Brumbelow)

Absent and nothing to report.

However there are two pending applications for affiliate status for Multnomah Libertarians and Sherman County Libertarian Party. Will Hobson adds that he is creating a LPO file for affiliate applications and a how to guide to affiliate for future counties. Peter shares he got a text from Sonja that she has accepted the nomination to the Public Policy board and is excited about joining. The board reviews the Multnomah County application first. (See attached application and bylaws) Peter expressed gratitude to Pablo Tom and Marion for their work in Multnomah County. Pablo thanks him and extended more thanks to Will Katy and Bradford Franks. Pablo mentions that despite the inability to bring the 16 registered libertarians together they did however meet in person and adopted the bylaws as their governing body. That is reflected in their minutes at the Multnomah County Libertarian website. Timothy praised the bylaws. Multnomah County Libertarians are registered as a PAC. There is currently only an

interim chair and a treasurer and the other positions are currently vacant. Timothy asked for further discussion. Will Hobson moves to affiliate the Multnomah Libertarian PAC. Kenny seconds. The motion passes unanimously and Multnomah Libertarians are officially affiliated. (Tim Sipple Joins was not present on the vote to affiliate Multnomah Libertarians)

Moving on to the Sherman County Libertarian Party. (See attached application and bylaws) a typo in the bylaws presented should read SCLP chair not LPO chair this will be corrected and should not hold up the vote to affiliate Sherman County Libertarian Party. Pablo motions to affiliate with the Sherman County Libertarian Party. And Will seconds the vote is unanimous and we have our first county party since 2011 thank you Sherman County.

Peter adds that Clackamas County Libertarians had their first meeting and had 10 attendees and have a list of upcoming events like a gun cleaning event and a pool tournament. Timothy asked how many are needed affiliate and Pablo informs the board Clackamas needs 11 registered Libertarians. Peter resolves to affiliate Clackamas county in the next three months.

Will reports that he has been talking to Katy and she request an in person meeting Tuesday Jan 24 at 6pm in the Portland metro area to have an in person affiliate committee meeting.

#### **F**. Member Development (Peter VandenBerg)

Peter reports that he wants to continue to focus on social media outreach for new members. He reports that he and his wife are expecting a son in June. And that he has been nominated for Public Policy Vice Chair and he plans to run for the position at the convention. He is working on other events and wants to continue to serve on the Member Development committee but would like to step down as chair and recommends Brad Lee He is disappointed a former board member ended the meetup account which lost us 700 members to the LPO but thanks a current member Pablo for promoting Eventbrite as an alternative. He asked if the board would consider his recommendation of Brad Lee. Timothy asked if Brad Lee would accept the nomination and he agreed. Will Hobson asked to restate the purpose of the committee and Timothy explains it is about creating the events and bringing on new members. Pablo moves to make Brad Lee the chair of the Member development committee Will seconds and the vote is unanimous.

#### **Special Orders**

There were no Special Orders.

#### **Unfinished & New Business**

(POINT OF ORDER) Timothy asks that we vote on Taylors motion to affiliate Sherman County. Kenny asks if we can make the vote a continuation of the email motion that motion that is in order and kenny moves and Will Hobson seconds there are no objections so the Motion to affiliate Sherman County Libertarian Party is moved by Taylor Rickey and seconded by Brad Lee and the vote is a continuation of that motion and still passes unanimously.

#### 2023 Convention Committee(Will Hobson)

Will reports that he paid the deposit with his own funds and would love for the board to reimburse him and the board can take the deposit back after a successful convention. But as of now we are locked in to Sunday May 28th at the Shawn Gardner Dance Studio in Tigard. Will is trying to organize events prior to the convention, Like a hike in the west hills and working with the Mises caucus to line up speakers we can arrive as early as 6am to set up and have to be cleaned up and out of the venue by 11:30 The owner of the venue will be there to help make sure things go smoothly. Timothy asked if there is anything the board needs to approve other than reimburse Will for the deposit. Will asks that the board approve a morning start time Pablo asked if we can do a 9 am. Pablo moves that we reimburse Will Hobson 1000 for the deposit for the 2023 LPO Convention. Kenny seconds ROLL CALL Will Hobson Aye, Brad Lee Aye. Pablo Serrato Aye, Kenny Sernach Aye Tim Sipple Aye, William Johnson Jr Aye, Timothy Perkins Aye. The motion passes and the board approves reimbursement to Will Hobson in the amount of 1000 dollars. (R Leon Noble enters) Will moves for the members of the 2023 convention committee to adopt a 9 am start time for the convention. The motion is unanimously passed except for one abstain from Leon Noble. The 2023 convention will start at 9am on May 28th 2023. Pablo put out the call to send him ideas for the bylaws Timothy recommends forming a 2023 bylaw committee. Pablo moves that we establish a bylaws committee with the membership being Timothy Perkins Marion Skinner and Pablo Serrato Tim seconds the motion passes unanimously. Kenny moves to appoint Timothy Perkins as chair of the bylaws committee Pablo seconds the motion passes with 6 ayes and 1 nay (Timothy Perkins)

#### 2023 Directors election (Timothy and Pablo)

Pablo asked for clarification as to when the board of director election should conclude. Timothy says that as long as it concludes in time for the results to be announced at convention.

## **Open Forum**

Timothy Perkins and Will Hobson both congratulate Peter VandenBerg and his wife on their upcoming birth of their son.

Will asked if anyone else is going to the Rage Against the War Machine Rally Marion asked what the implications are of the public policy board sending Will to the Rage Against the War Machine Rally in an official capacity

# **Next Meeting**

The board will meet again on Wednesday, February 8th 2023 @ 7:00 pm.

Adjourned at 9:11pm



# Board of Directors Meeting Agenda Call to Order at 7:00 pm, January 11th, 2023

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8458935125 Meeting ID: 845 893 5125

- 1. Approval of Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Consent Agenda
- 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. Fundraising Will Hobson
  - B. Campaigns Will Hobson
  - C. Public Relations Will Hobson
  - D. IT Pablo Serrato
  - E. Bylaws Timothy Perkins
  - F. Affiliate Katy Brumbelow
    - 1. Multnomah Libertarians
    - 2. Sherman County Libertarian Party
  - G. Member Development Brad Lee
- 7. Special Orders
- 8. Unfinished and New Business
  - A. 2023 LPO Convention Committee Will Hobson
  - B. 2023 LPO Director Elections Timothy/Pablo
- 9. Open Forum observers may speak on any item they wish
- 10. Next Board Meeting is set by policy for February 8th, 2023 at 7pm