

### Minutes from October 12th 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, October 12th 2022, at 8:35pm by Zoom, the Chair being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

Present Remotely	Absent
Timothy Perkins (Chair)	Rachel Saulo
Will Hobson (Vice-Chair)	Tim Sippel
Kenny Sernach (Treasurer)	
Taylor Rickey (Secretary)	
Katy Brumbelow	

Observers

Peter VandenBerg Travis West Brad Lee

# Approval of Agenda

William Johnson, Jr.

Pablo Serrato

Approval of Agenda moved by Kenny Sernach and seconded by Taylor Rickey,

no objections. The agenda is approved.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of August 10th, 2022 minutes: Taylor Rickey moves to approve the August 10th 2022 minutes, Kenny Sernach seconds. No objection, August 10th minutes are approved.

Approval of September 21st, 2022 minutes: Taylor Rickey moves to approve the September 21st 2022 minutes, Kenny Sernach seconds. Proposed amendment, to append the proposed Code of Conduct written by Peter VandenBerg – moved by Kenny Sernach, Taylor Rickey seconds. Amendment & approval of minutes passes by unanimous vote.

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None.

#### **Open Forum**

None.

# **Reports of Officers**

Chair (Timothy Perkins)

Very busy. Saddened to see the departure of Kyle Markley. Glad to be back.

Taxation is theft.

Vice Chair (Will Hobson)

Prepping for winter. Making connections for Ohio LP on twitter.

Treasurer (Kenny Sernach)

Finished reimbursement payments to Kyle. Peter VandenBurg collected donations and will be turning those over to Kenny at convenience. We have less than \$1,000 in the bank.

Secretary (Taylor Rickey)

Suspended campaign for House District 20; working towards affiliate status for Marion/Polk County. Produced 2 sets of minutes.

# **Reports of Boards and Committees**

A. Campaigns (LJ Mills)

Taylor Rickey has suspended his campaign; the LPO has apologized to John Newton for the paperwork SNAFU that resulted in his candidacy not being filed. Double-checking that LJ is part of the email group for LPO directors – confirmed.

B. Fundraising (William Johnson, Jr.)

Received a call from Ted about ideas; can't figure out how to receive money, so can't set up an LPO store. Need a physical address to set up a payment

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vendor. We've most often used the address of the chair, and for the secretary of state. Any director on the board can volunteer their address for use by the party. Katy Brombelow volunteers the use of her postal address for the store and for the Secretary of State's records.

# C. Public Relations (Will Hobson)

Will is personally launching a call to action regarding Yemen, 1(833)STOP-WAR, looking for 100 Libertarians to call their elected national representatives and urge them to enforce the War Powers Resolution, House Joint Resolution 87 and Senate Joint Resolution 56, to completely turn off US support for the war in Yemen. Will is offering a half-pound of coffee to Libertarians who report to Peacehawk Coffee that they have done so. Also hosting a podcast that accepts call-ins; and a Libertarian Halloween Game Night (online, open to all Libertarians nationally.) See calendar at Iporegon.org

Timothy Perkins proposes the addition of a Public Policy Board report, to keep communication visible and cross-pollinate the information, to this meeting. This could be a sub-heading under Public Relations if the director of this Public Relations committee is a member of the Public Policy Board, or another person could become a non-voting director expressly for this purpose. (for instance, Travis West is a member of the Public Policy Board and a frequent observer.) Concerns: adding material to this meeting would extend it, and it already ends fairly late, but that could be handled by starting this meeting earlier. Will Hobson is willing to do so, but defers to Travis. Travis is also willing, and looks forward to Will as a natural back-up. This could appear naturally as a sub-point under Public Relations. Motion to add Travis West (who is willing) to the Public Relations committee: Will Hobson moves and William Johnson, Jr., seconds. Question/resolution – the Public Relations committee does not have the power to add its own members. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

The Public Policy Board is still organizing and orienting to the task. Are drafting resolutions regarding the Yemen War most quickly. Will Hobson will add Public Policy Board meeting dates to the website calendar.

# D. Data (Pablo Serrato)

Retrieved voter file from the Secretary of State, provided list to Sherman County. Published a list of the required member numbers for each county to form an affiliate, but those numbers don't agree with the Secretary of State's Oregon.gov site, so Pablo will reach out to the Secretary of State to try to figure this out. SOS seems to be under-counting. Both data files were pulled on October 5th. Pablo and Timothy to collaborate on this. Pablo now has access to as many data-gathering tools as the party is fully on-boarded to access, and evaluating the efficacy of one of them (Nationbuilder): nationbuilder pre-dates most of the current board's directors. It supports calling and texting. Callhub is another CRM option in use. Pablo intends to review our current options, looking at ROI. Under consideration, combining Data and Website responsibilities into a new structure, IT Director/IT Committee. Looking forward to a motion to this effect, once the responsibilities and portfolio of these two new entities are defined.

#### E. Website (Timothy Perkins)

Timothy checked out our Spam filter for the Iporegon email addresses; it is successfully filtering spam, but might need fine-tuning; Timothy and Pablo to collaborate on that. Pablo Serrato reports a new main page to the website; the news site is now a blog, posts of which will be written by members of the Public Relations committee + a member of the Public Policy Board (Peter, Will, and Travis have access so far.) Director's Resources Page will be password-protected and accessible to the Directors. The LPO Public Policy Board will have a website and now has a google group to facilitate communication/collaboration. Looking into hosting websites for affiliates – Multnomah and Sherman counties are the predicted first need. Travis West now has an Ipo email address, travis.west@lporegon.org.

### F. Affiliate (Katy Brumbelow)

Report from Will Hobson: rolling out Step 1 of the county affiliates plan: making social media accounts – Twitter, and then re-tweet the "follow chain", which will build the network of following. Facebook and Instagram to come. Looking for folks to step up as County Organizers, and these folks may or may not be natural fits for County Chair once an affiliate is formed. Establishing a central list of these accounts to help identify any imposters that might arise. Looking forward to in-person meetings, there's advice available through vice@lporegon.org, and publicity on the LP event calendar. Identifying folks who have become party members more recently to invite them to Orientation sessions. It's easier to recruit once you have volunteers who can mobilize the effort. The Oregonian covered Multnomah Libertarians' ballot statement opposing a school bond: thank you to LPO support.

# G. Member Development (Peter VandenBerg)

Code of Conduct debate continues, more work in committee. Working on organizing a Clackamas County affiliate (co-Organizer with Brad Lee; need 14 members ); looking forward to an in-person meeting next month. Public Policy Board — drafts in

the work. Next Member Development event is at Matador next Tuesday, find details at lporegon.com/events. Planning on a Halloween party in late October, at Puff's Pub in Gresham (owned by Brad Lee.)

#### Special Orders.

There are no special orders.

#### New and Unfinished Business.

- A. Code of Conduct: draft is still in development, and is available to anyone who would like to see it & comment.
- B. 2023 LPO Convention (Will Hobson)

Haven't met: waiting on the Chair.

- C. Will Hobson posed the question, does the Board have any objection to hearing from someone who would be interested in filling Kyle's vacant position on the Board of Directors? No objection.
  - a. Brad Lee, who participated in Reno and served as a delegate there, would like to voice his interest in the Board position: Brad Lee would like to see the freedom movement move forward in Oregon. The LPO Board includes like-minded individuals, he sees an energy he'd like to be part of. Will prompted Brad to speak on the Heart of Main Street PAC: a couple years old, industries disproportionately hurt by the lockdowns, with the purpose of helping folks through the shutdown who didn't have the knowledge or resources, and the PAC sued the governor during the 3rd shutdown. Gresham, Troutdale, Wood Village, & Sandy. Brad has served as a member of boards focused on small business support and development east of the I-205 corridor. Pablo mentioned support for Brad as he is a small business owner.
- William Johnson, Jr., moves to appoint Brad Lee to the vacant LPO Director position; Taylor Rickey seconds. Discussion: Timothy enjoyed getting to know Brad in Reno; Will sees advantage to moving quickly to fill the vacant position temporarily as we move towards electing a new board and hosting a convention, and apologizes for not getting this into the agenda at the beginning of the meeting. Motion passes unanimously.

## **Open Forum:**

Timothy Perkins – With the current makeup of the Board, the start time of the meeting could be shifted earlier, and some could even meet in person (while maintaining a remote option). More discussion can happen in future meetings or over email.

Taylor Rickey moved that the next Board Meeting be held on November 9th, 2022, starting at 7pm; Will Hobson seconds. No objection, motion passes.

William Johnson, Jr, recommends <u>The Tuttle Twins' History of America.</u>(a childrens' book.)

Taylor Rickey mentioned that Marion/Polk Cos. will be holding their November monthly meet-up a week later to hold it on Election Day, perhaps reaching quorum.

Next Board Meeting November 9th 2022 at 7:00pm



Board of Directors Meeting Agenda Call to Order at 8:30 pm, October 12th, 2022 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8458935125

Meeting ID: 845 893 5125

- 1. Approval of Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes
  - A. August 10th, 2022 Minutes
  - B. September 21st, 2022 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. Campaigns LJ Mills
  - B. Fundraising William Johnson Jr.
  - C. Public Relations Will Hobson
  - D. Data Pablo Serrato
  - E. Website Timothy Perkins
  - F. Affiliate Katy Brumbelow
  - G. Member Development Peter VandenBerg
- 7. Special Orders
- 8. Unfinished and New Business
  - A. Code of Conduct for LPO Facebook Group and LPO Discord
  - 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 November 9th, 2022