



Minutes from LP Oregon Exec Committee Meeting
Nov. 15, 2025
2 P.M.

1. **Call to Order** - The regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) Executive Committee was called to order on Saturday, Nov. 15, 2025 at 2:20 PM in person, Chair Sonja Feintech being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

Present	Absent	Observers
Richard Burke Sonja Feintech Tom Busse Benjamin Feintech Joe Christman Rob Rhoads Peter Vandenberg Michelle Binker	Matt Rowe (later by phone)	Brett Smith

2. Approval of Agenda.

- *Burke makes a motion to amend the agenda with two items added to New Business: 1) 2026 legislative session, and 2) dealing with the “top two primary election challenges.” Busse seconds. **Motion carries without objection.** Burke makes the motion to accept the agenda as amended, Rhoads seconds. **Motion carries without objection.***

3. Minutes:

- Board meetings [Oct. 15, 2025](#). *Burke makes a motion to approve the minutes with correction (Rhoads' name is spelled R-H-O-A-D-S). Vanden Berg seconds. Motion carries without objection, Busse abstains.*

4. Open Forum: Please limit comment to five minutes

- Chair: Thanks all for being here (esp. our “Illustrious” Secretary)
- Brett Smith:
 - Post-campaign review, we have been seeing how deficient third parties are. But the two majors are imploding. Has been working on bringing third parties together to move, sees people “shunning” DNC & RNC.
 - We tend to use insider language, which is not inclusive for “regular” people. I think we can reach more people
 - I would rather work with people who are trying. Wanted to see where you guys are at.
 - If we had a consistent third party message focused less on competing with one another, we could reach more people who are desperate for anything good.
 - LP is primed to step up and be that platform – an actual third party that can do something. So start getting shit done. Field real candidates. Build a coalition behind candidates and anti-corruption.
- Levi Leatherbury (via phone/zoom)
 - Chair of We the People (Oregon and Nationally).
 - Seeking to learn top five issues across party lines, and then run on those issues.
 - STAR voting to select candidates. Plus anti-corruption pledge.
 - Core values: Maximize liberty, accountability and anti-corruption.
 - Busse: we would like to see fusion nominations of Libertarian candidates with WTP. What does the nomination process look like? A: local voters make those nominations using STAR voting, and we require an anti-corruption pledge.
 - Email to team@wtporegon.com

5. Officer Reports:

- Secretary's Report: Michelle Binker - none
- Treasurer's Report: Tom Busse
 - PO Box acquired. Dues annually \$350. Busse and Christman have keys.

- Authorized a ZoHo subscription.
- ODOO? Zoho integrated?
- ORESTAR reporting is caught up.
- We want to commit to some events (EX: Fairs and Pride). That takes money.
- Wants Exec Comm members to commit to monthly donations to ensure predictable cash flow..
- Recommends we do a year-end USPS mailing. Send me addresses.
- County dues sharing? No official action or policy, yet.
- If we're going to have a statewide convention we need to communicate that and people need to pay their dues.
- Anadot vs. Click n' Pledge: Click n' Pledge has higher fees, but we do have some legacy accounts with annual dues subscription.
Recommends: eat the extra expense for now.
- Current account balance: \$2,300; some state political tax return checks are outstanding.
- Vice Chairman's Report: VACANT
- Chair's Report: Sonja Feintech
 - Mostly busy with party housekeeping, passwords, websites and email stuff; rounding up wayward, effective volunteers.
 - Put together a PowerPoint explaining the transition, countering common objections. Have not received any pushback.
 - Donor email convo...Mail Chimp sucks for communicating with donors. Busse: can pull a list from Click n' Pledge and ORESTAR. Need to focus on getting our data fixed, gathering all the contact info in one place.
 - An amicus brief was sent to Mises and a bunch of others jumped on. Need a press release about amicus brief and interviews. Will be leveraged for fundraising and visibility.
 - NW Fresh appearance next Sunday to talk inside baseball, vision and direction for the party.
 - Website: asking Christopher Peters to help.
 - Refresh homepage and optimize user exp. Capture info quickly with minimum friction.
 - Hide or delete empty pages and make us look professional. Keep it up to date.

6. Committee Reports:

- Elections and Campaigns - Rowe (via telephone)
 - [Campaign Committee Report](#)
 - Discussion of the dynamics of the election year in Oregon House races
 - Find candidates, generate press interest
 - Refine messages that meet people where they are at with the issues (policy weeds) dependent upon dynamics of each race.
 - Would like to add Peter, Joe, Benjamin, perhaps others to the campaign committee.
- Convention - Burke
 - Have reached out to various hotels in Polk & Marion counties. Recommends at Holiday Inn (Market Street) in Salem. \$500/day for the room w/water service. Can purchase coffee, too. \$20 for WiFi.
 - *Binker makes the motion to authorize the Chair to sign contracts and handle convention-related expenses (up to \$1,000) between meetings.* Vanden Berg seconds. No objections, Busse abstains. **Motion carries.**
- Fundraising - Burke
 - Presents a list of five actions the party can take right now at no cost.
 - Reach out to former members and donors to start fundraising.
 - Starting with simple telephone and internet contact
 - *VandenBerg makes a motion to endorse the [revitalization and fundraising plan](#), Rhoads seconds.* No objection, Christman abstains. **Motion carries.**
- Communications Committee – Will Hobson
 - Working to attach ourselves to the petition effort re: gas tax.
 - Engaging on social media
 - Talk about Tuesdays Spaces on X
 - Vanden Berg needs access to Instagram and X
- Zoho CRM migration, Click & Pledge/Anedot (Christman)
 - Skip unless someone other than the Chair and Treasurer needs to know
 - We have Zoho account up and running. All the data migrated, needs to be organized some more.
 - Click & Pledge/Anedot - stalled out b/c of IRS

7. New Business

- Vice-Chair Election
 - *Motion to postpone Vice Chair election* (Busse) Seconded by Christman.

- Richard Burke - Nay
- Tom Busse - Aye
- Benjamin Feintech - Aye
- Joe Christman - Aye
- Rob Rhoads - Aye
- Peter Vandenberg - Nay
- Michelle Binker - Nay
- Sonja Feintech - Nay

MOTION FAILS

- *Motion to nominate Burke to Vice Chair* made by Vandenberg, seconded by B. Feintech

- Richard Burke - Aye
- Tom Busse - Nay
- Benjamin Feintech - Aye
- Joe Christman - abstain
- Rob Rhoads - abstain
- Peter Vandenberg - Aye
- Michelle Binker - Aye
- Sonja Feintech - Aye

MOTION CARRIES

- March Business Convention expenditures
 - In committee report
- LPO Due Dates
 - Metro Council Supportive Homeless tax on May ballot; Feb. 28 deadline for measure argument against.
- 2026 Legislative session
 - There will be three days this month (November) when individual legislator bills are introduced; Legislative days in January is when the committee bills come out. Session begins Feb. 2nd. Burke to provide more info via email.
- Top two primary challenges
 - Two ballot measures gathering signatures to advocate for top two primary.
 - Asking ExComm. *for permission to pursue another approach to compete with those concepts: ask that a competing bill be introduced to require every party to design, monitor, execute and fund their own candidate selection processes for partisan offices.* Motion by Burke,

seconded by Rhoads. Christman abstains. **Motion carries with no objection.**

8. Old Business

- Confirming National Convention Delegates
 - *Burke makes the motion to confirm all previously named delegates,* Rhoads seconds. Vanden Berg will be unable to go. **Motion carries.**
- 2013 Bylaw presentation (done)

9. Next Meeting - *Motion by Burke to hold the Executive Committee's next regular meeting on January 17, 2026 2 p.m. in Tigard,* seconded by Christman. **Motion carries.**

10. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by Christman, seconded by VandenBerg. Burke, that asshole, voted no; the **Motion carries,** however. 4:49 p.m.



**LPO Monthly Board Meeting
Nov. 15, 2025, 2 P.M.
27226 S Hwy 213 Mulino, OR 97042**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:
 - ☰ DRAFT 20251015 Minutes LPO Board Meeting
4. Open Forum (Please limit comments to five minutes)
 - a. **Communications Committee – Will Hobson**
 - b. Brett Smith
 - c. Levi Leatherbury (via phone/zoom)
 - d. Public comment
5. Officer Reports
 - a. Secretary's Report: Michele Binker
 - b. Treasurer's Report: Tom Busse
 - c. Vice Chairman's Report: VACANT
 - d. Chairman's Report: Sonja Feintech
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Elections and Campaigns Committee - Matt Rowe (via phone/zoom)
 - b. Convention Committee - Richard Burke
 - c. Fundraising Committee - Richard Burke
 - d. Elections and Campaigns Committee - Matt Rowe (via phone/zoom)
 - e. Zoho CRM migration, Click & Pledge/Anedot - Joe Christman
7. New Business
 - a. Vice-Chair Election
 - b. March Business Convention expenditures

c. LPO Due Dates

8. Old Business
 - a. Confirming National Convention Delegates
 - b. 2013 Bylaw Presentation
9. Next Meeting - The Executive Committees next regular meeting, as set by policy, will be decided before conclusion of the meeting
10. Adjournment