



## LPO Executive Committee Meeting

Jan. 17, 2026, 2 P.M.

7100 SW Hampton St. #201 Tigard, OR 97223

### 1. Call to Order

- LPO Chair Sonja Feintech Called the meeting to Order January 17th, 2026, 2:32pm

Attendance was as follows:

Present in Person:

- Richard Burke (Vice-Chair)
- Sonja Feintech (Chair)
- Benjamin Feintech
- Tom Busse (Treasurer)
- Joe Christman
- Rob Rhoads

Absent:

- Matt Rowe
- Peter Vandenberg

### 2. Appoint a Secretary *pro tem*

- *The chair appoints Benjamin Feintech as pro tem secretary. He accepted.*

### 3. Approval of Agenda

- *Burke makes a motion to approve the agenda. Rhoads seconds. **Motion carries without objection.***

### 4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - [Here](#)

- *Burke makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Rhoads seconds. **Motion carries without objection.***

### 5. Open Forum (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)

- a. Public comment

- No public comment submitted.

## 6. Officer Reports

### a. **Secretary's Report: N/A**

- Michelle Binker, previous LPO Secretary resigned 1/2/26 via email due to full-time employment commitments

### b. **Treasurer's Report: Tom Busse**

- We have \$2,300 in the bank. All members of the board except one have signed up as regular members and paid their dues.
- Zoho (CRM) - Busse doesn't like it. Suggests Little Green Light CRM @ \$60 a month as an alternative specifically for non-profits. We have already paid for a year of Zoho.
- Christman requests more info from Busse for consideration regarding Little Green Light.
- Busse filing complaint against HD 33 Rep Shannon Isadore for not paying income tax. Uncovering collusion between Isador, Ebony Clark, Measure 110 and Senate bill 690 being used for special interest projects and grant approvals. Will be investigating further.

### c. **Vice Chairman's Report: Richard Burke**

- Western Liberty Network Conference is coming up. Columbia Riverfront Holiday Inn. Chris Dudley as a speaker. Matt Rowe is doing a breakout. Austin Ericson with TPUSA is a speaker. Ed Diehl as a speaker. Kim Thatcher. Kathy McDonald, fundraising training. \$25 off with code Liberty.
- Working with Recall Claire Hall, halted due to her passing away.
- Busse: Inquired about cost of candidate statements, training for running campaigns, resources, quickstart guide.

### d. **Chairs Report: Sonja Feintech**

- Joined Multnomah Libertarians at their monthly meeting and presented the Bylaw slideshow
- Working with DC Strategists on second wave of amicus briefs, using Oregon's original Amicus but making LPNY lead as the case turns more

towards weaponization. Got an additional 10 states signed on, Indiana and Chair Evan McMahon the only affiliate to decline when asked.

- Continuing to work on party admin, organizational documents and ramping up for election season.

## 7. Committee Reports

### a. Elections and Campaigns Committee - Matt Rowe

- Matt unable to call in.
- S. Feintech: He is going to be stepping back from elections and the campaign committee to focus on his run for governor and asked her to take on the Elections committee. Same members and same agenda as he had previously outlined.
- Busse: Wants to see a candidate statement, very important we get those for candidates this year. The board was in agreement about this.
- S. Feintech: Identifying battleground races, thin margins where libertarians can make a difference. Be thoughtful in who we run. Have a strategy around who we run and where that is in alignment with the parties goals.
- Busse: Mentioned we should get ahead of IP26.

### b. Convention Committee - Richard Burke

- Hotel is booked and AV equipment are good to go. No renting of stuff. No need to pass anymore funding
- Busse: Austin Daniel is good at AV stuff and ran equipment for Morrow County convention. We should keep him and see if he wants to be involved.
- Rhoads: What's the requirement for quorum in person?
- Richard: 30 or lower of regular members... Or 1/4 of reg members. So like 4.
- Busse: How do we get voter registration from the state?
- Burke has access and can send to Busse.
- Burke: Biggest Concern - get the notice out for business convention. Notify lifetime and regular members. Nominating convention has to be in at least 2 newspapers of general circulation. Should be notified by

mid-February. Get anything out that we can right now and send out repeat notices.

- Busse: Wants to see LPO attached to measure arguments for No Tax Oregon. S. Feintech will look into that.
- Busse: Recommends entertainment. Keynote speaker, award ceremony, etc.

**c. Fundraising Committee - Richard Burke**

- \$5,000 pledge success. David Eaton called in and the Committee was able to personally thank him for his contribution. The goal for this coming year is \$20k. Woot.
- Busse: Has been sending out thank you letters. Wants swag to send out too.
- S. Feintech: As long as it's under \$500 we don't need to authorize. Will look into it and update.

**d. County Affiliate Committee - N/A**

- S. Feintech : There is none. Had requested Michelle but she cannot since resigning. Technically it's supposed to be the Vice Chair but Burke already has two committees. So it's up for grabs.
- Busse: Mentions Katy Brumbelow's involvement, S. Feintech says she is getting documents from her and will work on a county affiliate package.

**e. Zoho CRM migration, Click & Pledge/Anedot - Joe Christman**

- Making Zoho functional for now and collecting data.
- Met with Busse and S. Feintech and went through Zoho, identified what specific things we needed from Zoho.

**8. New Business**

**a. Secretary Election**

- S. Feintech opens the floor for nominations to fill the position.
- *Christman nominates Feintech. Rhoads seconds. Feintech declines.*
- Busse point of inquiry, Bylaw question - can Secretary or other nominated positions hire a deputy? How does that work?

- S. Feintech explains only the Treasurer has a deputy position specifically written into the bylaws. Does not apply to the Secretary. The Secretary does not need to be a board member or present to be elected.
- Christman mentions he would be open to being the Secretary at the business convention.
- *Burke nominates Christman. Rhoads seconds. Christman accepts* with caveat - doesn't want to have to send in paperwork to SoS. S. Feintech accepts. Nominations close.
- On the nomination to elect Christman to the position of Secretary:
  - Richard Burke - Y
  - Sonja Feintech - Y
  - Benjamin Feintech - Y
  - Rob Rhoads - Y
  - Joe Christman - Y
  - Thomas Busse - Y
  - **Motion Carries with no objections**

**b. Adopting new standing rules for County Affiliates/ Dues sharing**

- S. Feintech: We had standing rules, but with updated bylaws it was best to resubmit ones that adhere to the current bylaws.
- Busse: Asked to review bylaws about dues sharing for counties.
- S. Feintech: See in the standing rules document in 4.2 we leave it open for approved affiliates to negotiate dues sharing with the Executive Committee but not the default position.
- Rhoads: They have to maintain at least 5 regular members.
- S. Feintech: County parties can charge their own dues or they could propose the executive committee dues sharing.
- Rhoads: on 2.2 - do we have a template we can use?
- S. Feintech: Yes, more of a guideline. I do have a template for them.
  
- S. feintech closes debate. *Rhoads makes a motion to adopt County Affiliate Standing Rules. Richard seconds. No objection.*
- **Motion carries**

**c. March Business Convention expenditures**

- S. Feintech: Hotel is paid. We don't foresee any expenditures. Anything we need to vote on?

- Burke/Busse discuss reporting AV equipment as in kind donation. Busse filing form that we're under \$3,000 with Orestar.

**d. Adopt standing rules authorizing the Chair to handle on-site substitutions from a pre-approved alternate pool, or allowing electronic emergency votes.**

- S. Feintech: Wants to be able to seat alternates from other states. We can make a pre approved pool but want flexibility to add people on the fly since we can no longer meet electronically. Could reconcile with the board at the next meeting.
- Busse: Better to send a unified delegation to National - is that being preserved here?
- S. Feintech: I am in favor of that - it's the purpose of this motion.
- Christman: Chair may delegate secondary.
- S. Feintech: LPO chair as the delegation chair will be handling on site substitutions. We may not have a pre approved pool.
- Discussion regarding specific wording for motion
- *Burke Motions to empower Chair or designee to fill vacancies at the National Convention. Rhoads seconds. Rhoads calls the question. Christman seconds. No objection. Motion passes.*

**e. Appoint 3 members to Audit Committee for presentation of financial records at the Business Convention**

- *Busse Motions to table the discussion* - we haven't finished a fiscal year under current bylaws. Concerned because there is not proper accounting set up yet.
- *Rhoads seconds.*
- Burke: Does tabling this violate bylaws?
- S. Feintech: Article v11 finances section 3 audit, we can table for now but we need to call another meeting before convention.
- Burke: We can do that but it has to be 30 days out from convention.
- S. Feintech: We can make a special meeting - proposes Feb. 6th.
- *Busse Motions to postpone appointing 3 members to audit committee until special meeting is called Feb 6th. where we will pick up the vote again. Joe seconds. No objection. Motion passes.*

**f. Items to prioritize as part of a legislative agenda for the 2016 short**

## legislative session

- S. Feintech: Proposes living doc for bills. series of online training and opportunities for libertarians to show up for legislative sessions.
- Busse: Brought up testimony and public comment for hearings.
- Burke: Recommends Oregon Citizens Lobby, Jeff Krupp and Bob Soden. We should work with them.
- *Burke Motions that the LPO will reach out to Oregon Citizens Lobby to offer partnership during the short session. Rhoads seconds. No Objections. Motion Passes.*
- Busse: Point of order - under bylaws, how do I introduce myself if I have questions about a bill in my own capacity compared to an elected officer of the party.
- Burke: We should be able to speak for the Libertarian Party of Oregon. Represent the party at the time as long as it's consistent with LPO platform and it only affects short sessions.
- S. Feintech: I hesitate as the chair is the declared spokesperson for a reason but let's try it out for this legislative session.
- Busse: We could recommend that the chair authorize members of the exec committee to rep the party on her behalf on issues before the short session that are consistent with LPO platform and that they have informed the chair that they intend to make testimony.

## 9. Old Business

- No old business

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## 10. Next Meeting - The Executive Committees next regular meeting, as set by policy, will be decided before conclusion of the meeting

- Executive meeting set for Feb. 6th, 7pm, Burkes office  
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- *Burke motions to hold the Executive Committee's next regular meeting on February 6th, 2026 7 p.m. in Tigard, seconded by Rhoads. Motion Passes.*

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## 11. Adjournment

- *Busse motions to adjourn. Rob seconds. Motion passes, one nay from Burke. Meeting is adjourned 4:30pm*