

Libertarian Party of Oregon

Minutes from September 24th, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

Elmer's, Beaverton, OR

Approved 2018-10-22

Call to Order

The September meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Monday, September 24th, at 7:07pm at Elmer's. Due to illness, the meeting was run by Lars Hedbor with the Chairperson present.

Attendance was as follows:

Present

Michelle Binker
Lars Hedbor
Kyle Markley
Jennifer Mendenhall
Nicole Nowlin
Gary Dye

Remote

Josh Hunking
Drew Layda
Timothy Perkins

Observers

Randell Carlson
Jim Karlock
Tim Sippel
Katy Brumbelow

Absent

Jeff Weston
Wes Wagner

Approval of Agenda

- The agenda was approved without objection.

Approval of Minutes

- The August minutes were presented and approved with correction to Timothy Perkins being absent and not voting in the roll call vote as well as correcting the spelling of Greer to Grier. It was also noted Lars Hedbor requested the language change to the political statement for the party.

Consent Agenda

- Nomination Summary
 - The information was moved to be accepted by Kyle, seconded by Michelle. Unanimously accepted.
 - The full text is in Appendix A.

Open Forum

- There were none.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

- Chair
 - The full text of the report is available in Appendix B.
- Vice Chair
 - Conversations have continued with Ted Yanez who is interested in assisting the LPO but he is unable to change affiliations at this time due to work partisan requirements.
 - Taxation is theft.
- Treasurer
 - The current bank balance is \$643.60.
- Fundraising Committee
 - So far nothing has been effective in terms of gaining donors. John attended a Democrat fundraiser that was successful with higher dollar donors.
- Member Development Committee

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- Lars provided volunteer information to Tim. It will need to be manually entered in the database. Tim and Michelle will need access to Nation Builder from Drew.
- Bylaws Committee
 - It is time to bring this committee back in preparation for the annual convention.
- CRM Committee
 - There was no report.
- Website Rebuilding Committee
 - Timothy has done some website audits and expects to be able to do the child theme soon.
- Affiliate Development Committee
 - Word-smithing of the draft is still in process.
- Public Relations Committee
 - There was no report.
 - Kyle motioned to add Katy Brumbelow to the committee. Lars seconded and it was unanimously approved.
- 2019 Convention Committee
 - There was no report.

Special Orders

- There were none.

New Business

- Data/Volunteers for Candidates
 - The full text of the business is in Appendix C.
 - The information is not yet ready to be provided as volunteer information still needs to be entered into the database.
 - There are questions regarding additional data points such as sorting by districts.
- Newsletter
 - The full text of the report is in Appendix D.
- Political Party Equity Bill
 - The full text of the report is in Appendix E.
- 2019 Director Election Committee
 - The full text of the motion is in Appendix F. Committee members initially will be Gary, Jennifer, and Lars with Kyle as chair. Kyle moved to create the committee and it was seconded by Lars. Unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business and General Orders

- Discussion of Method for Reconciliation
 - Josh is drafting a proposal for a structured reconstruction process in person to avoid any virtual conversations that potentially gain negative tones. Lars suggests that the affiliate process is the correct pathway rather than go through formal reconciliation procedures. They would have complementary but not overlapping responsibilities related to the party. There would be some expectations as to changes on the misc PACs part such as dropping the lawsuit, no longer stating they can nominate candidates, and changing their name to avoid confusion. Initial pressure was based on a desire to see reconciliation moving before the national convention but has since relaxed following that convention. The affiliate committee will schedule a meeting to complete their process.

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- Observer Jim Karlock: Joann Baumann, running for Portland City Council, has done 130 house parties that have netted approximately \$2k per party. This could be a viable relationship fundraising option. He also warned against expensive dinner parties for potential out of control expenses and suggested past success with direct requests. Josh considers \$10k a successful fundraising goal for the party at this time.
- Observer Katy Brumbelow: offered to plan an election viewing party in November for the LPO.

Next Board Meeting

After discussion, Lars Hedbor moved to set the next board meeting for Monday, October 22nd, at Elmer's in Beaverton. The Chairperson has the authority to reschedule. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:09pm.

APPENDICES

Appendix A

For the 2018 general election, the Libertarian Party of Oregon made a total of 36 nominations. Of those, 3 were rejected due to insufficient length of residency in their districts, and 2 withdrew their candidacy, so a total of 31 candidates will appear on ballots. Of those candidates, 23 are Libertarians, 1 is a Democrat, and 7 are Republicans. Of the Libertarians, 10 placed candidate statements in the Voters' Pamphlet. The complete list is:

Title	District/ Position	Party	Name	Voters' Pamphlet
US Representative	1	Libertarian	Drew Layda	yes
US Representative	3	Libertarian	Gary Lyndon Dye	yes
US Representative	4	Libertarian	Richard R. Jacobson	
US Representative	5	Libertarian	Dan Souza	
Governor		Libertarian	Nick Chen	yes
State Senator	4	Libertarian	Frank Leroy Lengele Jr	
State Senator	8	Libertarian	Bryan Eggiman	
State Senator	13	Republican	Kim Thatcher	
State Senator	20	Libertarian	Kenny Sernach	
State Representative	8	Libertarian	Martha Sherwood	
State Representative	9	Republican	Teri Grier	
State Representative	21	Democratic	Brian Clem	
State Representative	23	Libertarian	Mark Karnowski	
State Representative	25	Republican	Bill Post	
State Representative	26	Libertarian	Tim E. Nelson	
State Representative	27	Libertarian	Katy Brumbelow	yes
State Representative	28	Libertarian	Lars D. H. Hedbor	yes
State Representative	29	Libertarian	William A. Namestnik	
State Representative	30	Libertarian	Kyle Markley	yes

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State Representative	32	Libertarian	Randell Carlson	yes
State Representative	33	Republican	Elizabeth J Reye	
State Representative	34	Libertarian	Joshua Ryan Johnston	yes
State Representative	39	Republican	Christine Drazan	
State Representative	42	Libertarian	Bruce Knight	
State Representative	44	Libertarian	Manny Guerra	
State Representative	49	Libertarian	Heather Ricks	yes
State Representative	51	Republican	Lori Chavez-DeRemer	
State Representative	56	Republican	E. Werner Reschke	
Benton County Commissioner	1	Libertarian	Erik Gradine	yes
Jackson County Commissioner	1	Libertarian	Frank W Brannen	
Jackson County Commissioner	3	Libertarian	Edward Stanton	

The known LPO members qualified to the ballot for non-partisan races are Andrew Freborg, Corvallis City Council, Ward 9, and Alyssa McConnell, Douglas County Commissioner, position 1. Both placed candidate statements in the Voters' Pamphlet.

Appendix B

Chairperson's Report

Kyle Markley

The election filing deadlines have passed. Congratulations to our candidates who have submitted what I believe is a record number of Candidate Statements to the Voters' Pamphlet.

I provided a tragically short Oregon update for the LNC Region 1 report.

An observation: we struggle to get things done between meetings, and many committees have made little or no progress in a long time. I would like to suggest that each committee set a regular schedule to hold meetings, whether electronic or in-person. A regular schedule will help us get more things done, which we sorely need.

Free speech update: The ballot measure argument statement I submitted against Portland City measure 26-200 is available on my campaign website. The motion for summary judgment was filed today in my lawsuit against the Secretary of State's decision that 2020 Initiative Petition 1 meets the constitutional procedural requirements.

Appendix C

Data / Volunteers for Candidates

Kyle Markley

I have been providing voter registration data to candidates upon request. We also need to provide our candidates with the data we have available regarding volunteers in or near their districts, and people who have indicated interest in supporting candidates. Are we ready to provide this data? If not, what work needs to be done first?

Appendix D

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Newsletter

Kyle Markley

I want the Public Relations Committee to publish at least one newsletter before the election. We can talk about how many candidates we have, how many of them are in the Voters' Pamphlet, encourage people to vote, and ask for money. We might also apologize for how bumpy the primary election was.

Appendix E

Political Party Equity Bill

Kyle Markley

Mr. Elzinga from the Secretary of State's office sent an updated draft of a political party equity bill to myself, Gary, Michelle, Drew, and Josh. It did have some significant problems, and we've sent our feedback. They do not think it is feasible to include a ranked choice voting option, or a subsidy to us for conducting our own election, but they are open to letting us choose to have the state conduct our election on a race-by-race basis.

Appendix F

2019 Director Election Committee

Kyle Markley

I believe it is time to create a committee to conduct the 2019 director election. Due to our smaller primary election we will have a relatively small pool of eligible members, so we need to conduct outreach to encourage people to run for director positions. The committee will also need to propose election rules, create and send ballot materials, and process the results.