

# Libertarian Party of Oregon

Approved 2019-05-13

Minutes from Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Regular Board Meeting  
Elmer's, Beaverton, OR

## Call to Order

The April meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Monday, April 22<sup>th</sup>, at Elmer's, the Chairperson being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

### Present

Katy Brumbelow  
Gary Dye  
Lars Hedbor  
Kyle Markley  
Drew Layda  
Jennifer Mendenhall  
Timothy Perkins

### Observers

John Lundy  
Tim Sippel  
Patrick Gump  
Kamden Layda  
Jack Oeming (remote)  
Carolyn Wade

### Absent

Michelle Binker  
Wes Wagner  
Nicole Nowlin

1. Agenda approval - no suggestions. Adopted.
2. Minutes approval was postponed because hardcopies were not available.
3. Consent agenda – none.
4. Open forum – no one wished to speak.
5. Officer Reports

### A. Chair Report

I prepared testimony related to [SB 226](#), the political party equity bill submitted by Secretary Richardson, and went to Salem on April 3 to deliver it. Unfortunately, the committee did not follow the agenda in order, and due to lack of time this bill did not receive a public hearing at all. [My testimony](#), and also [Katy Brumbelow's](#), are available on OLIS. The bill has not been rescheduled for a public hearing yet, but it's not necessarily dead for the session because the committee it's in is exempt from the April 9 deadline for most bills to move out of committee.

Also on April 3, [SB 870](#), which would join Oregon in the National Popular Vote Compact, received a very short public hearing and was passed out of committee. I signed up to testify against it, but again due to lack of time was not given the opportunity to speak. I later wrote down my comments more fully and e-mailed them to all the House members, and posted them on Facebook. Unfortunately, I was not able to do this until after it has passed the Senate. The gist of my argument is that it's methodologically invalid to aggregate votes over elections conducted under different rules, that doing so may constitute an equal protection violation, and that it creates bad incentives for the states.

Question from Drew: "Is it worth connecting with other third parties to get HB 226 re-introduced?"

Answer: Perhaps. Steve Trout still at the secretary of state office

### B. Vice-chair Report

The founder of the Oregon Firearm Advocates Facebook group that I mentioned at our last meeting is interested in speaking at our convention, and is open to the possibility of allowing our pro-gun candidates (and any other party's candidates) use the group as a platform to promote their campaign in a limited fashion.

On April 15th I met with four LPO members in Lane County to offer our help with their efforts to form a Lane County Libertarians group, which is in its embryonic stages.

Taxation remains theft.

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## C. Treasurers Report

\$3682,12 in checking account/general fund

\$600 check has been authorized and was issued to Drew for Convention deposit for I-5 South Portland Holiday Inn

Silent Auction Rules - will go to fundraising committee

\$130 donation from Lars

### 6. Committee Reports

#### Fundraising - Katy Brumbelow (chair)

Update on Silent Auction (convention) - donation from Lars (set of books), basket to be compiled by Michelle, encouraged others to ask those they know, buy Groupons, gift certificates, etc.

Question regarding swag - "Should we have swag?" well received by those present.

#### Member Development - Lars Hedbor (chair)

Nothing to report

#### Bylaws - Kyle Markley (chair)

At our last board meeting, the open proposals were 5, 6, 14, and 16. We approved #5 and postponed #6 to ask for Jeff's input. I asked but did not receive a response. We postponed #14 (public policy board) to revise the initial conditions section given Misc. PAC #16869's expressed disinterest. We decided to abandon #16 (ADR clause) after discussing our attorney's concerns. Today we will consider the remaining proposals, including one new one created from suggestions in the Facebook group.

#### CRM - Lars Hedbor (chair)

Motion to extend CRM system while we wait for the national CRM system to become available to us.

\$29/mo Lars motions to spend \$174 for CRM requirement.

(y = yes, n = no, a = abstain, - = absent)

| Director        | Vote | Director     | Vote | Director            | Vote |
|-----------------|------|--------------|------|---------------------|------|
| Michelle Binker | -    | Lars Hedbor  | Y    | Jennifer Mendenhall | Y    |
| Katy Brumbelow  | Y    | Drew Layda   | Y    | Timothy Perkins     | Y    |
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Lars volunteers to do data transformation

#### Website - Timothy Perkins (chair)

No meetings were held.

Work Done: I have gained access to the NationBuilder, but still don't have account permissions to connect forms on the website to automatically feed into NationBuilder due to a problem with upkeep on the NationBuilder. I question the value that NationBuilder is providing at this point, given its upkeep costs and relatively poor capabilities. I posted notice of the upcoming state convention on the front page.

Membership: Timothy Perkins (chair), Kyle Markley, Lars Hedbor, Garrett Leeds, Michelle Bird

#### Affiliate - Timothy Perkins (chair)

No committee meetings have been held.

Lane County Libertarians Meeting: I was pleased to meet with Alexis Frazier, Clancy Frederick, Carolyn Wade, and Jack Oeming in Eugene on April 15th to discuss the first steps in creating an affiliate organization. I think that they already have some good talents among the group, but they have wisely set their first goal as growing their little group to the point that they can. The committee next needs to prioritize the creation of a packet of materials to assist forming county groups. We have made some progress in this area, but need to complete it.

Membership includes Timothy Perkins (committee chair), Kyle Markley, Garrett Leeds, Michelle Binker, Mike Montchalin, and Drew Layda

Jack - "How many have been approached to form County Affiliates?"

Timothy - "34 members in approximately 10 counties"

#### Public Relations - Timothy Perkins (chair)

No meetings were held.

Problems: I wanted to send out the convention notice and schedule as the matter of highest priority, but did not yet have enough

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information to be worth sending out.

Good stuff: Our newest committee member, Kyle Pitts, has been posting fairly regularly from the LPO Facebook page.

Membership: Timothy Perkins (chair), Kyle Markley, Nicole Nowlin, Michelle Binker, Lars Hedbor, Katy Brumbelow, and Kyle Pitts. This committee does not have the ability to add its own members.

G. **Convention** - Drew Layda (chair)

Chair alerted of need to change date to June 8th to fulfill requirements of 45 day notice

Motion to change to June 8th

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Convention schedule has been added in Drew's report

Change to officer report rather than committee chair report on Drew's notes on the advertised convention notice page

Cara Schultz LNC may be able to help cover some cost if 15 libertarians sign up for national party membership.

See how many people sign up for RSVP on website

Lars' website from 2 years ago may be able to be used

Kieran O'Se - willing to work with swag - email from Carolyn Wade. Carolyn Wade volunteers to send thank you notes to those who ran for elected position in 2018.

Activities for older kids to Bullwinkles free round trip shuttle service

Director Election

Mailing went out through John Lundy's assistance. Deadline for reply: May 14th

Volunteer tellers - Lars and Jennifer

Talk to Jeff Weston about lock boxes. General discussion about lock boxes.

Motion by Timothy Perkins to authorize the expenditure of \$40 for the purpose of a lock box to be used for the director elections.

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## Remaining bylaws amendment proposals discussion

### Proposal #6

After discussion we decided to ask again for Jeff's feedback before sending this proposal forward.

### Proposal #14

Lars moves that we accept the amended Public Policy Board amendment and after much discussion there is a working session to further clarify proposal #14. Subsection 3 is amended as follows to read:

[Section 3: Authority

#### A. Powers

The public policy board is empowered to:

- 1) Adopt positions on specific matters of public policy
- 2) Create and amend the general public policy platform of the Libertarian Party of Oregon
- 3) Write voters pamphlet statements for the party
- 4) Write voters pamphlet statements in support of or in opposition to ballot measures

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- 5) Issue candidate and ballot measure endorsements
- 6) Provide feedback and public testimony on legislative bills and administrative rules
- 7) Recommend members to serve in government organizations
- 8) Recommend members to fill vacancies in public office
- 9) Veto the nomination of any non-member to public office
- 10) Veto the nomination of any member to public office, but only with the concurrence of the board of directors, requiring a two-thirds vote of each board
- 11) Delegate any of these powers to subcommittees and set the policies by which the subcommittee members and leadership are seated.]

Motion to adopt as amended

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Motion to forward to convention

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## Proposal 17 discussion

Lars - gives too much power to paying members rather than all members

Drew - lifetime memberships are still binding even when person no longer eligible

Gary discusses the need to have members contribute the major question is still unanswered - How will the party sustain itself financially Revised bill is not what he wrote.

Sponsorship recognition - Does this fit more neatly under fundraising?

Timothy Perkins: Motion to table amendment proposal 17. Tabled.

New Business was tabled without objection.

The next meetings were set for May 13 and June 3. We adjourned without objection at 8:35.