



Minutes from July 2, 2019 Regular Board Meeting  
McMenamin's, Wilsonville

**Call to Order**

The July meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Monday, July 2, at 7:03 pm at McMenamin's, the Chairman being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

**Present**

Timothy Perkins  
Don Crawford  
Katy Brumbelow  
Carolyn Wade  
Michelle Binker  
Kyle Markley  
Kenny Sernach

**Remote**

Gary Dye  
Wes Wagner  
Nick Chen

**Observers**

Jack Oeming (telephone)  
Ted Yanez  
Jeff Weston

**Absent**

none

**Approval of Agenda**

- ☐ The agenda was approved with amendment that we will also be approving the minutes of the meeting of the interim board on June 8.

**Approval of Minutes**

- The minutes of the June 3, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Kyle had a correction: on page 1, Kyle moved to disband the election committee, and the motion was approved. Lars moved to table the party platform, not Kyle. With those changes, Timothy moved to approve the June 3 minutes, Don seconded, and the motion was approved without objection.
- The minutes of the June 8, 2019 meeting of the Interim Board were reviewed and corrected: Nick was not present. Kenny was present should have been

listed as a guest. Mike Montchalin's name was misspelled. With those changes, Kyle moved to approve the June 8 minutes, Michelle seconded, and the motion was approved without objection.

## **Consent Agenda**

Nothing was on the Consent Agenda

## **Reports of Officers, Boards, and Committees**

1. Timothy gave his chair's report: the convention occurred. There was insufficient attendance to meet the requirements of a quorum. Nonetheless, many positive reports of the convention in general were received. The board transition was a little rocky—the changes in email addresses was not as smooth as it might have been, the handoff of the Treasurer baton was a little difficult, the remainder of the hotel bill was not paid, Jeff Hewitt's travel expenses were not paid . . . . A check for Mr. Hewitt was mailed last Thursday from Timothy's personal funds. We must be better prepared for the next transition. The Treasurer transition was more difficult than anticipated because we have had the same treasurer for several consecutive boards.

Timothy was told that Burke and Reeves will be filing a motion with the Secretary of State to replace our Board with theirs and our bylaws with theirs, and then they will resign and put our Board back in place. Michelle moved that an ad hoc committee of Timothy, Carolyn, Wes, and Kyle be appointed to address whatever buffoonery PAC 16869 brings to us via the Secretary of State. The motion was seconded by Don and was approved without objection. Bob would like authority to reach out before such a motion is filed. Carolyn moved that Bob have pre-buffoonery authority to parley with the Secretary of State's office. The motion was seconded by Kyle and was approved without objection. The only question for the chair was Don's noting that the dispute with PAC 16869 is that of "mutually exclusive absolutes." Timothy noted that taxation remains theft.

2. The Vice-Chair had no report, but stated that he could manage theft.

3. The Treasurer confirmed that there had been transition hiccups. He became the only signor on the bank account on Friday. Carolyn moved that a second signor, Timothy, be added to the account. Don seconded the motion and it was approved without objection. Cash on hand is approximately \$4,064.

Income from the convention was \$815; \$220 from the silent auction and \$595 from other sources. The expenses went over budget because of the lateness of

booking both the hotel and Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt's air. Timothy had agreed at the time to cover the difference between the originally quoted cost and the actual, and suggested that it be accomplished with an offset from the reimbursement check. Carolyn disagreed with the suggestion of an offset, pointing out how keeping the transactions separate makes the bookkeeping easier.

4. Secretary's report: Carolyn reported that she did the minutes for the meeting of the Interim Board on June 8. Kyle pointed out that it is more useful if the minutes are received before the weekend, the weekend being the only time he can devote to LPO activities.<sup>i</sup>

5. Report of the Fund Raising Committee: Katy reported that funds were raised at the convention and that the silent auction was successful. It was discussed that the activities related with fund raising would be more effective if we had a Director of Fund Raising. Kyle moved and Michelle seconded that Katy be named Director of Fund Raising, which was approved without objection.

6. Report of the Member Development Committee: Discussion was had about changing to a system with a Member Development Director. Kyle moved and Don seconded that the position of a Member Development Director be created. The motion was approved without objection. Ted Yanez volunteered for the position of Member Development Director. Kyle suggested that possible directors draft their job descriptions. That would both give us a record of our expectations and show us the parameters of their authority.

7. Kyle moved and Don seconded that Kyle be appointed director of the bylaws committee. The motion was approved without objection.

8. Kyle moved that Kenny be made a non-voting member of the Board. Carolyn seconded and the motion was approved without objection.

9. The question was raised whether Lars still wants to do the CRM implementation. Timothy will speak with him.

10. Timothy has been updating the website.

11. Timothy has been working with affiliates. Lane County Libertarians has been moving along, has had a hiccup with their EIN, which is necessary for a bank account and for registration with the Secretary of State. The Washington County affiliate/PAC was discussed.

12. Public Relations. Timothy reported that there have been many posts on the Facebook pages, but reminded us that there are TWO pages: The “Libertarian Party of Oregon” that is a group, having 1143 members today, and “The Libertarian Party of Oregon” that is a page, with a symbol of a gold Oregon map with the flame of liberty superimposed on it. That page is our official page for the party and the board is not allowed to make political posts on it. Kyle moved to add Nick to the Public Relations committee and make him chair. Michelle seconded and the motion was approved without objection.

13. 2019 Convention Committee. Timothy made the report in the absence of the wayward chair. The convention went over budget, but everyone seemed to have a good time. We did not make quorum, but we did make some money. We innovated in several areas, and attendance was better than in a while. Perhaps 20-25% of those who RSVP'd that they would attend did not. Timothy will research to give a more precise answer. Kyle will send Timothy a list of who attended.

We took straw polls on the bylaws proposals. Generally they passed by a majority, but not by 2/3. Kyle will send his notes about the results to the new board.

For the primary, if we will be sending prospective bylaw changes out for a vote, we should most strongly consider those changes that are important to our future and not controversial.

With respect to attendance, Drew's resignation interfered with going for broke, such as phone banking.

Kenny made his first motion—he moved to disband the 2019 convention committee. Don seconded and the motion was approved without objection.

Don moved and Kyle seconded that we form a Special Convention Committee tasked to propose a date for the next convention with the goal of achieving a quorum. The committee shall consist of Katy (chair), Kenny, and Don. The motion was approved without objection.

## **Special Orders**

Nick moved and Michelle seconded that we have a Campaigns Director, in charge of recruiting and training candidates for the 2020 cycle. Ted Yanez volunteered for that position. The motion was approved without objection.

## Unfinished and New Business

### □ Old Business

- Legislative Session

SJR 18 was passed on the last day of the session, referring a constitutional amendment to the 2020 general election that would permit censorship of political speech. Kyle anticipates that fighting this will consume most of his available time next summer and fall, making it difficult for him to run the Statements for Liberty PAC. He would like to find volunteers to keep it running.

- Judicial Events.

The Oregon Supreme Court will hear oral argument on November 1 in an appeal to the rulings that invalidated the Multnomah County and Portland City charter amendments permitting censorship of political speech. The purpose of the appeal is to get the court to reconsider its position that political contributions are protected expression. If successful, SJR 18's constitutional amendment would not be needed. Kyle is working on an amicus curiae brief arguing that the court's standing interpretation is correct. .

- Voters' Pamphlet

Kyle mentioned that it's important to put a paragraph in every candidate's statement about the position of the LPO.

### □ New Business

- Post Office Box

Katy has one key; Kyle keeps the other

- Bank Statements

Kenny will pick up the paper statements at the meetings: Katy or Kyle will pick them up from the post office box.

## Open Forum

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Michelle brought a postcard for show and tell. The Democratic party sent it to her son when he registered to vote. Breaths were taken in at the cost of doing so.

### **Future Meetings**

Meetings will usually be the second Tuesday of the month, except August, when it will be the first Tuesday—August 6. General agreement that McMenamín's in Wilsonville is the best compromise available for location.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

i Comment is noted and apology offered—this has been a very tough month.