



Amended Minutes from August 6, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
McMenamin's, Wilsonville

Call to Order

The August meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Tuesday, August 6, at 7:00 pm at McMenamin's, the Chairman being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

Present	Remote	Observers
Timothy Perkins	Michelle Binker	none
Don Crawford	Kyle Markley	
Katy Brumbelow		Absent
Carolyn Wade		Wes Wagner
Gary Dye		
Nick Chen		
Kenny Sernach		
Ted Yanez		

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 2, 2019 meeting, sent only this morning, were reviewed. Kyle moved to replace the references to "FLOP" with "PAC 16869." Kenny seconded the motion, which was approved without objection. With those changes, Don moved to approve the July 2 minutes, Kenny seconded, and the motion was approved without objection.

Consent Agenda

Nothing was on the Consent Agenda.

Open Forum

Nothing was discussed in Open Forum.

Reports of Officers

1. Timothy reported that exciting stuff is occurring on the national level, regarding censure of a presidential candidate, Ben Leder of Texas, developments regarding a director in Oregon, and news about the website committee. The website committee was updated about the meeting date and he helped some members of the board with their new LPO email addresses. On a personal note, his family has just moved from Stayton to Salem.

The censure motion against Ben Leder was brought by Josh Smith, an at-large member of the LNC, on the basis that he had espoused positions that were despicable. As a procedural matter, it was probably wrong for the issue of censure to be brought before the LNC. Richard Longstreth, our representative (for Region 1) agreed with the procedural analysis. Timothy did not want Longstreth to vote no, as it would give the appearance of approving of Leder's positions. The motion failed.

Taxation is still theft.

2. The Vice-Chair had no report. He lives in a vacuum and has received no calls or other communications.

3. The Treasurer reported contributions totaling \$697 had been received, which included Kyle's received at the last board meeting. Cash on hand is approximately \$4,660; a more precise number will be available when his on-line access to the bank account has been set up.

He reported that a scam had been attempted—he received a request to cut a check for someone in Minnesota. Both Carolyn and Kyle reported receiving emails appearing to be from Timothy, asking them to obtain gift cards for him right away. Timothy reassured the board that money can be spent only after the board's approval, either in person or by telephone. Speaking of which, the post office box needs to be renewed, for \$234.

Gary inquired about whether Kenny was making any effort to estimate our future liquidity. Kenny replied that we do not have money for a primary vote (which would cost approximately \$12,000) or a convention. He allowed as how he could look at historical

records and build projections, if the board requested him to do so. Gary said that he wants the board to know about our historical lack of funds and wants a plan to cover that lack.

Carolyn moved to allow Kenny to spend \$234 to renew the post office box. Don seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. Secretary's report: Carolyn reported that she did the minutes for July, which were eventually approved and apologized for their late delivery. Timothy noted that the amended minutes are required for him to be added to the bank account.

Reports of Boards, and Committees

1. 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.

2. Report of the Campaigns Director: Ted will be getting the voter registration statistics, which we are entitled to receive once per month for free from the Secretary of State's office. He wants to know how many libertarians are registered in each district. We are entitled to two free state-wide lists per election, coinciding with the monthly data dump. We tell the SoS's office which election our request relates to. Discussion was had whether the request must come from the chair, or the Data Director. If no request is made for an election, that report is no longer available—it is a "use it or lose it" option.

3. Report about Public Relations. Nick has accepted a great job offer with Siemens and is moving to Los Angeles. His resignation from the board is effective at the end of this meeting. Ted brought written proposals for the job of Campaigns Director and Member Outreach Director, and one for Chair of Public Relations. Michelle offered to help, acting as liaison among the Directors of Campaigns/PR/Member Outreach. She is willing to step in and help shape the jobs. Don remarked that the jobs sound distinct, with campaign working with candidates and PR having an outward focus, so the directors are doing different jobs and will need to shuffle hats if any one person tries to do more than one. Kyle remarked that it makes him nervous to approve the description of a job without a person willing to undertake it. Katy is willing to take on some PR duties, facilitating teams but not doing the work itself. She also noted the crossover of the work of membership development/communications/PR. She thinks

that the Campaigns Director must focus on providing support for candidates, or helping people decide to run, or picking someone to run, which is so important for a small party such as ours. Kenny agreed; that job should be kept separate. Kyle said there should be a larger number of smaller hats, and Don agreed. We talked about accepting that these are tentative descriptions, suggestions for people to start with when they accept an assignment, and they can adjust the job description after they have agreed to take it on. Ted reported that he had tried reaching out to Heather Ricks, who ran in 2018, thinking that he would suggest another run. Don talked about being a paper candidate in Washington state, and suggested that we could encourage more paper candidates here in Oregon. Katy moved (and Don seconded) that the job description of the Campaigns Director should be as follows:

We are waiting for a volunteer for Director of Public Relations before approving a job description. Katy volunteered for the position; she will report at the next meeting about her thoughts about the job description.

4. Katy reported on Fund Raising. She noted that Kenny had already reported on the money received, so she would discuss ideas for projects:

- Sponsor a run with a theme of “Running for Office.” Donations would go to the party, into a fund to help candidates;

- People could sponsor individual costs:
 - Post office box
 - Stamps

- TANSTAAFPprimary

We have 20,000 registered Libertarians. If we could send an email solicitation to those Libertarians for whom we have email addresses, pointing out that there ain't no such thing as a free primary, perhaps we could raise the \$10,000 that is necessary to hold a primary—and at that primary, we could vote to add ELECTRONIC VOTING to the bylaws!

Send any other fund raising ideas to Katy. Don moved and Katy seconded to approve the job description of Director of Fund Raising, which was approved without objection.

5. Kyle gave the report of the Data Director. There is much data on Kyle's PC to move to our server.

6. Kyle gave the report of the Bylaws Committee. Kyle is now Director of the Bylaws Committee. There is no job description and nothing to report.

7. Timothy has been updating the website. The URL "LPOregon.org" is now controlled by us. It had belonged to a former member no longer in Oregon and was going to expire, but now has been transferred to us.

8. Timothy has been working with affiliates. Lane County Libertarians had a meeting scheduled, but canceled. Timothy was going to hand off working with affiliates to Michelle, but was not successful.

Special Orders

There were no Special Orders.

Unfinished Business

Kenny inquired as to whether there had been any activity with the Secretary of State's office from PAC 16869. So far, there has been none. Bob's colleague approached someone in the Secretary of State's office to let it be known that we are represented and that he or Bob should be contacted if anything is filed.

Open Forum Redux

Knute Buehler sent a ballot proposal about independent redistricting, asking for our endorsement. Michelle will resend to everyone; it will appear as new business on the September agenda.

Next Meeting

Don moved and Nick seconded that the next meeting be September 9. Carolyn will be out of town; Katy agreed to be secretary pro tem. Nick voted no, but the motion passed nonetheless.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.