



Minutes from August 11, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
By Zoom

Call to Order

The August meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 8:09 pm by Zoom, the Chairman being in the chair.

Attendance was as follows:

Present Remotely

Timothy Perkins
Carolyn Wade
Kyle Markley
Ted Yanez
Gary Dye
Tim Sippel
Katy Brumbelow
Kenny Sernach
Don Crawford

Absent

Wes Wagner
Erich Garcia

Observers

Will Hobson
Michelle Binker
Garrett Leeds
Christian Chase Crimmins
R2 Wade

Approval of Agenda

Don moved and Carolyn seconded that the agenda be approved and it was.

Approval of Minutes

The amended minutes for July 21, 2020 were approved on Katy's motion and Kyle's second.

Consent Agenda

Timothy moved and Timothy seconded a motion to "set the deadline for receiving nomination paperwork (SEL 110 forms) from our candidates for August 20th. As per our bylaws, if we do not receive the paperwork by the date set by the board then the board may elect an LPO member as the nominee for that office." Ayes: Timothy Perkins, Carolyn, Gary, Don, Katy, Kyle, Tim

Open Forum

Chase Crimmins asked about whether we had a non-profit status for mailing; Timothy noted that we do have such a status, but the speed necessary for this mailing meant we didn't optimize the postage. Timothy made an in-kind donation for the postage. Chase suggests stamps be purchased from Costco when they are being purchased as they get a bulk discount. Katy asked about Spike's visits September 3 and 4 (note date change after this meeting) and the details. Chase doesn't know much about the locations, times, or other details yet or need to get permit(s). This visit will be Spike only, not Jo. Chase reported that Spike would be leaving Eugene and sleeping on the bus.

Reports of Officers

A. Chair's Report (Timothy Perkins)

Timothy reported that this has been a very busy few weeks since our last meeting, especially with the primary election and tie-breaking committee. For any candidate he or Kyle could not reach by other means, he sent a letter asked for a SEL 110 for the office they won or tied for. On or after August 21, we will begin breaking ties. He has also received seven, expects three or four more soon. There was also the #LetHerSpeak convoy on August 8, with eight cars and a dozen people. He's also been in touch with Chase Crimmins about the campaign.

Also, the meeting with the Secretary of State's office occurred. There was some form of miscommunication. PAC 16869 presented the information to the SoS in such a way that the SoS concluded that a compromise had been reached with us, so that when our lawyer, Bob Steringer received the invitation to the meeting from the SoS's office, he concluded that the SoS was calling the meeting was for the purpose of a seeing how we could move forward. So there were three perspectives for why the meeting was being called: the SoS's—that a compromise had been reached and we wanted to present it together, ours—that the SoS called the meeting and the PAC wanted to talk, and the PAC's--that they wanted to have a hearing on the complaint that they'd filed. That meeting did not go well.

Chase reports that he was misinformed by Richard as to the nature of the meeting with the SoS. He confirms that the campaign has instructed him to deal with this Libertarian Party of Oregon and Jo will not be attending any event with PAC 16869.

Taxation is still theft. (Jeffrey Epstein did not commit suicide.)

B. Vice Chair (Don Crawford)

Don reported that he has nothing much to report in particular. After the Beaverton #LetHerSpeak convoy, they had an interesting discussion about how to have people talk together about forming affiliates when then can't get together—it's a chicken and egg issue.

Chase is in Clackamas County and will get in touch with Don about a Clackamas County affiliate.

C. Treasurer (Kenny Sernach)

Kenny we had approximately \$1,290 received in checks with the primary ballots, so there was sufficient on hand to cover the candidate statements and the post office box. There was a \$90 fine for a missed deadline which Kenny will cover. Don asks Kenny about using Nationbuilder to keep track of donations. Can give credit for donations, can send out requests, etc. That is a question for the fundraiser committee—would it be helpful; and a question for Kenny—would it be helpful for him. Don to share with both.

D. Secretary (Carolyn Wade)

Carolyn reported that the minutes are current, as of 2:55 a.m. Timothy reported that the website has been updated with all minutes except those just approved.

Reports of Boards and Committees

A. Campaigns Committee: We have received seven SEL 110s. Some candidates are actively campaigning. Taylor Rickey had a radio interview with a local Salem station that he nailed. Don asks about people (noted in Nationbuilder) who have volunteered to help with candidates—how to get their information to Ted. Timothy says that he can help get that information to Ted. Ted asks for more detail about what happens if candidates don't get their documentation in on time; the bylaws provide that there is no candidate. If not, the board shall name a candidate.

Gary asks that Ted produce a list of people in the media that each candidate could use to try to get interviews, etc. He also asks that a handbook be drafted for the different regulations for candidates. Timothy points out that the regulations differ between federal and state positions. Katy points out that there is a PAC with a director who volunteers that service for candidates.

B. Fund Raising and C. Public Relations. Erich sent an email to Timothy today, saying that he would not be able to attend tonight, and is considering resigning to allow someone with more available time to take his place. Due to personal issues, he has reduced his time on social media, which has affected time with LPO. With Erich absent, the report of the Fund Raising Committee was skipped. Don points out that our bar for inactivity is pretty low Katy is willing to step back in to help with his committees if he would like help now.

D. Data Director, E. Bylaws Committee, and F. Primary Election Committee. Kyle reported that he has little to report for any of his committees because he has been utterly consumed opposing SJR 18, Legislative Referral 401. He put together a mail merge for envelopes for Timothy for candidates. He may be able to put together a general election webpage together soon. Katy asked if information that people enter on the webpage moved to Nationbuilder. Yes, it can, but Kyle does not have time to do it for several months. Don points out that addresses alone aren't needed; the information that was posted on the webpage was email addresses, interests, telephone numbers. He can dump that to a spreadsheet.

G. Tie-Breaking Committee. Timothy reports that we are waiting for SEL 110s from those 82 candidates from whom they were requested. Michelle will contact the candidates in her area who should be sending forms.

H. Website Committee. Timothy posted a banner showing that the meeting time for this meeting was 7 p.m.; we confirmed that the change was not just for August but until the meeting stopped being by Zoom. Gary asks about the rule for acceptance to the Facebook group. Timothy explains that the hurdles are not onerous—either a resident of the state of Oregon, or a libertarian from another state. Timothy reports also that he has introduced Christopher Peters and Peter VandenBerg to the website.

I. Affiliates. Will Hobson asked Katy if she knew about the Multnomah County Libertarian group on Facebook—whether it should be organized through the Facebook page. Shira Newman and Adam Zielinski are currently admins for the page and Will should get in touch with them, too. Affiliates can be by area rather than county. The critical mass for creating an affiliate is hard to reach if people aren't meeting. Katy hopes to have ten affiliate groups by the time she is not on the board in June, 2021.

J. Member Development: was covered in the vice-chair's report.

Special Orders

There were no Special Orders.

Unfinished & New Business

A. Political Party Statement. Kyle wrote such a lovely political party statement for the voter's pamphlet for the general election in November that Timothy and Katy could not even attempt to draft competing versions. Kyle's draft has been circulated. The deadline for notifying the Secretary of State's office of who has been authorized to submit the statement is today; Timothy will send an email immediately to the effect that Kyle is authorized to submit a statement on behalf of the LPO. Don moved and Tim seconded to authorize an expenditure of \$1,200 for this statement. Voting Aye: Timothy, Carolyn, Kyle, Tim, Don. Nay: Gary. Abstaining: Katy. The requirement that an expenditure be approved by two-thirds was met by five out of six votes voting aye.

B. Jo Jorgensen Events in August. #LetHerSpeak on August 8, a convoy to raise awareness of the need for Jo to garner 15% in three major media polls to qualify for the debates. It is going to be difficult to fit into the format that is currently being used nationwide, given our lack of local affiliates, the short amount of time to organize, and a dearth of organizers. Katy is also trying to get Jo to come to Oregon on August 22, the date of the PAC 16869 nominating convention, which will be held at their office in Tigard. PAC 16869's office is the headquarters of the Jorgensen campaign in Oregon. Christian Crimmins is the Oregon campaign director.

C. PO Box renewal. Kenny reported that the renewal of the post office box will be \$254. Kenny moved, Carolyn seconded that we spend \$254 to renew the box. Voting Aye: Timothy, Carolyn, Kyle, Tim, Don, Gary, Katy. Kenny noted that our regular monthly donations have increased sizeably since last year. Don would like to implement a system to send thank-you notes for donations through Nationbuilder.

D. July Action Items. Kyle to send previous versions of political party statement to board. Done. Katy and Timothy to write new political party statement and send to Carolyn to edit. Not necessary. Don to call meeting of member development committee (Tim and Timothy). Ball was dropped. Tie-breaking Committee to finalize the results of the primary election. Underway. Timothy to send Katy the "How to form an affiliate" packet. He did not do that. Carolyn to send Katy the NY and Texas "How to form an affiliate" docs. She did not. Katy to have in-person meeting with Richard Burke

and Chase Crimmins about Jorgensen campaign. She had phone and email communications. Katy, Peter, Don were to enter volunteer information in Nationbuilder. That is underway. Katy was to hold an affiliate development Zoom meeting. That is undone. Peter and Timothy were to post the Register-Guard article on the website. That process has been started. Will was to create an affiliate development channel on LP Oregon slack, which was done.

Open Forum Redux

No discussion

Next Meeting

The next meeting is on August 22, at **1 p.m.** with a limited agenda of a report of the tie-breaking committee and filling gaps where the primary did not yield a nominee.

Then there was a discussion about having a monthly Zoom meeting with candidates, open to the public for them to ask questions of the candidates. Timothy pointed out that Zoom might not be the appropriate platform, as it has a 100-participant limit.

Katy mentioned that after the #LetHerSpeak convoy, there was a discussion about the need for trainings about different media platforms such as Slack, Zoom, etc. for candidates, affiliates, etc.

Adjourn at 10:45 p.m.

August Action Items

Who	What	When
Don	Share info about Nationbuilder and its abilities regarding donations to Kenny and to the fundraising committee	
Don	Get information to Ted about volunteers willing to help campaign	
Kyle	Email CSV data from postcards and primary election to Katy, Timothy, Peter, and Don	
Don/Katy/Peter	Enter data emailed by Kyle in Nationbuilder	
Don	Have Nationbuilder representative walk him through process	
Timothy	Send Secretary of State's office Kyle's name as designee for political party statement	
Carolyn	Send Katy the NY and Texas "How to form an affiliate" docs	
Kyle	Email information to Timothy for information to send to Secretary of State's office for political party statement	
Katy, Peter, Don	Enter volunteer information in Nationbuilder	
Katy	Affiliate development Zoom meeting	
Timothy	Send Katy the "How to form an affiliate" packet	
Katy	Follow up on need for trainings about different media platforms	
Peter & Timothy	Add Register-Guard article to website	