



Minutes from October 13, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
By Zoom

Call to Order

The October meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Tuesday, October 13, 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
Peter Vandenberg
William Johnson

Approval of Agenda

Carolyn moved and Kyle seconded that the agenda be approved, and it was, some minor changes and the addition of the consent motion.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for September 8, 2020 were approved on Carolyn's motion and Kyle's second with one amendment: in the minutes as submitted, Gary Dye was shown as both "present remotely" and "absent." He was absent.

Open Forum

Peter said he is willing to help on anything. He took time off for his wedding. He and Will are planning a Mises project for the 24th – door knocking, etc.

Reports of Officers

A. Chair's Report (Timothy Perkins)

The Chair reported a most exciting thing – Jo Rae Perkins sued the Secretary of State and Gary, claiming that none of the Libertarian candidates were nominated properly, including Jo Jorgensen and Spike Cohen. She was helped in that effort by Richard Burke, who argued that if Gary were not in the senate race, Libertarians would vote Republican.

Bob Steringer says he is surprised nothing has happened in court since the TRO was denied. Timothy says Jo Rae doesn't have money. Richard probably instigated the lawsuit, and when it went nowhere, she decided that she doesn't want to spend her money on it.

Bob reached out to the Libertarian National Committee for the details he needed.

Gary wondered if Jo Jorgensen was coming here. Richard Burke had been saying that he thought that she could come to their nominating convention.

Richard Burke reached out to Katy and told her he had been in hospital and Jorgensen campaign materials were therefore delayed in getting to her.

Tim said that Willamette Week had a good article. No, Willamette Week had a front page article about QAnon, not about the lawsuit.

Tim wonders about posting a story on website about the win in court.

Timothy says no – posting about schism perpetuates it.

Will drove all over delivering signs; he says spontaneous order meant he didn't have to drive to Redmond.

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

B. Vice Chair (Don Crawford)

Don did candidate stuff. He attended a Zoom meeting for the East Portland Chamber of Commerce.

C. Treasurer (Kenny Sernach)

Kenny reported that the party had been assessed a couple of fines, which he is going to pay.

D. Secretary (Carolyn Wade)

Carolyn reported that Timothy did minutes, for which she is grateful, and asked for help with the current month's minutes.

Consent Agenda

Timothy separately nominated Timothy Perkins, Kyle Markley, Carolyn Wade, and Christian Chase Crimmins as Libertarian Party of Oregon 2020 presidential electors. Don Crawford nominated himself and indicated he was willing to sign the pledge. He also nominated Katy Brumbelow and Kenny Sernach. Timothy seconded Don's nominations. Carolyn seconded Timothy's nominations and indicated her willingness to sign the pledge. Timothy then voted yes on each nomination, as did Tim, Kyle, Don, Gary, Carolyn, Wes, and Katy.

Reports of Boards and Committees

A. Campaigns Director

There are some candidate forum opportunities. Scott Clawson is able to attend one or two of the fora.

There are some volunteers.

There are some people indicating interest in running in the future.

Ballotpedia reached out, wanting information about our candidates, but they want an FEC #. They don't require a dollar amount to do that for state candidates.

It's been pretty mellow aside from that.

Don: asked if Ted was able to find media outlet stuff that Gary wanted? No, he said that he dropped ball. Family stuff came up and he went for his family.

Gary apologized. He said when running as Libertarian, you're mostly on your own. You don't have money, and nobody is doing anything for you. It's hard to get anyone to donate precious money or time when it is clear you are going to lose.

Kate said she used her donated money to buy stamps.

Gary said that he didn't think that is a good use of funds. Ted sent him LPO names. He got himself a list of TV stations, and wanted to add radio stations. But before that, he made requests to this board about what he was going to post on Facebook page and didn't want his opponent to see. Very disappointed that we wouldn't even do that (ban his opponent from our Facebook page). So he asked him to leave page until after election. Very disappointed that we would not step up.

Kyle responded that the admins made the right call. A candidate should be assuming that anything posted or put out during an election goes immediately to the opponent. It might as well be sent straight there.

Wes explains why Ibrahim was on the Facebook page.

Gary asked why we don't bend over backwards to do what candidate asks for?

Timothy comments: That group isn't specifically for Libertarians, it is not restricted to Libertarians, it is for people interested in libertarianism. Removing them would be inconsistent with our principles. The page is not an asset of your campaign; you are free to start your own group.

Will suggests that what Gary wants is a private candidate support Facebook group.

Katy suggests that after the election, we should have a "what worked, what didn't" follow up.

Who to execute that follow up? Ted? He said he's not opposed to doing so. Gary suggests that in the last month before an election, we should be doing nothing except supporting candidates.

Timothy hands off the gavel to Don.

Timothy does not think that Gary's treatment of party volunteers is appropriate particularly considering that his primary contributions to the party consist of complaining about the efforts of others.

B. Data Director:

Kyle reported that all of his time has been taken up with opposing Measure 107. He sent a voter list sent to Carolyn for the Lane County Libertarians. He attended a debate at the Salem City Club, and was posting on Facebook page.

C. Website

The minutes are up to date, including this meeting. After the election, there will be more time and there will be people to help.

Tim will send the board a link to the OPB article so we can discuss a possible posting or article on the website about the lawsuit and/or the schism.

D. Affiliates

Katy visited Lane County. Our discussion: How to get more people to come.

Special Orders

There were no Special Orders.

Unfinished & New Business

Timothy mentioned that he read Voter's Pamphlet and Kyle packed the pamphlet.

Who is admin for Slack? Erich. Perhaps Slack will help with more engagement locally.

Will suggests that we have strategy meeting after election to talk about how election went.

Maybe a month or so after election, we could have door hangers:

See what happens when you
vote for the lesser of two evils
again?

We discussed what if Measure 107 passes.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is on November 10, 2020, at **8 p.m.**

Adjourn at 10:00 p.m.