



The regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Oregon (LPO) board of directors was held on Wednesday, June 14th, 2023, at 7pm by Zoom, Will Hobson called the meeting to order, but due to technical issues Pablo Serrato took over chairing the meeting.

1. Call to Order upon quorum; quorum is 5 directors
2. Attendance was as follows:

Present Remotely

Taylor Rickey
Nicholas Kaltenbach
Gunnar Power
Eric Pinnell
Erik Bourque
Travis West
Brad Lee
Will Hobson
Pablo Serrato

Absent

Observers

Timothy Perkins
Matt Rowe

Secretary's Note: A motion was made by Eric P. The motion was made to have Pablo assume leadership of the meeting because Will was driving. A second was made by Will but was too garbled to be made out at the time. Pablo Informed the meeting that Will was having a family emergency and that was why his audio quality was poor. Original agenda stated that we would introduce in order but at the direction of the chair

only new members of leadership were asked to introduce themselves, there were no objections. The new members introduced themselves.

3. Introduction of Newly Elected Directors

- Each newly elected director will be given an opportunity to introduce themselves and provide a brief background.
 - i. Taylor Rickey
 - ii. Nicholas Kaltenbach
 - iii. Pablo Serrato
 - iv. Gunnar Power
 - v. Eric Pinnell
 - vi. Erik Bourque
 - vii. Travis West
 - viii. Brad Lee
 - ix. Will Hobson

4. Selection of Officers

Pablo called for nominations for each office.

a. Chairperson

- Will Hobson nominated by Taylor Rickey, second by Erik Bourque
- Elected by 7 votes, with one nay vote from Will and one abstention Eric Pinnell.

b. Vice Chairperson

- Pablo Serrato nominated by Taylor Rickey, second by Erik Bourque
- Elected by vote of 8, with one abstention by Eric Pinnell

c. Secretary

- Nicholas Kaltenbach nominated by Taylor Rickey, second is Brad Lee
- Elected by 9 of 9

d. Treasurer

- Travis West nominated by Taylor Rickey, second is Erik Bourque
- Elected by 9 of 9

Pablo asked if anyone would like to vote on further positions but the motion was not seconded.

5. Consent Agenda

- Will H moved and Brad seconded to “approve for Ibra Taher be allowed a 15 minute speaking slot at our 2023 LPO Convention that will be titled "Why it's Important for Libertarians To get Involved", with the

understanding that he will be promoting engagement and membership in the Libertarian Party, and more specifically, our State party(LPO).”

Ayes: Will H, Brad, Taylor, Rachel, Willy J

Nays: Pablo, Timothy, Kenny

Express abstention: Tim S

- Timothy Perkins moved on behalf of the Bylaws Committee and Tim Sippel seconded to “approve the following Bylaws Amendment Proposals for the 2023 LPO Convention.” [see *Appendix to this agenda for text of proposals*]

Ayes: Tim S, Timothy P, Taylor, Pablo, Will H, Rachel, Willy J, Kenny

Secretary Note: A motion was made to approve the agenda for the current meeting by Travis West. The motion was seconded by Erik Bourque. The motion was approved.

6. Approval of Previous Minutes

- Make Note of Backlog of minutes to approve
- Pablo discussed the need to approve minutes from the previous board meetings.
- A motion was made to correct the list of Minutes that needed review and approval.
- Pablo explained that this matter would be voted on through email.
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 2. Mary C - April 12th, 2023 (YouTube)
 3. Taylor - January 11th, 2023 (YouTube)
 4. Taylor - December 14th, 2022 (YouTube)
 5. Mary C - November 9th, 2022 (YouTube)
 6. Mary C - October 12th, 2022 (YouTube)
 7. Timothy P - July 13th, 2022 (YouTube)
 8. Timothy P - May 11th, 2022
 9. Timothy P - April 13th, 2022
 10. Taylor - March 30th, 2022 (Special)
 11. Taylor - February 9th, 2022
- ii. Discuss minutes approval process
 1. Directors review minutes as an action item from this meeting
 2. If necessary, make any corrections or additions, preferably over email
 3. Vote to approve over email

7. Discussion on Cadence of Subsequent Monthly Board Meetings

- Pablo asked if there would be a good time for future board meetings that fit every member's needs. There was a motion to update the meeting time

to be 8pm on the second Wednesday of each month. The motion was made by Taylor Rickey, seconded by Erik Bourque. Motion was approved, 8 of 9 vote, Will Abstained.

- Pablo asked if the format of the meeting suited everyone, Eric Pinnell said that he may suggest a different one later. Pablo stated that it is flexible and can be worked on in the future.

8. Onboarding

- The onboarding of new board members was discussed
- Pablo asked the members to complete the form in order to help gather all the necessary contact information.
- Pablo discussed the need for members who will be accessing private data to fill out a non-disclosure agreement(NDA).

9. Chair's Report - Setting Goals and Objectives

- Pablo discussed key goals and objectives for LP Oregon Chair for the upcoming weeks.
- Eric Pinnell wanted to make a note that in order to avoid burnout and spread responsibility that it should be someone who works with the treasurer or the treasurer himself should be the one that takes on ORESTAR. It was recommended that we sort that out later.
- Fundraising: Pablo suggested the donation option be changed from click and pledge to one of the other options available.
- Bylaws: new bylaws were passed at convention but Pablo discussed the cost associated with sending out the notice to have libertarian party members vote to ratify the bylaw amendments. Pablo encouraged that fundraising was important to achieve the vote.
- Pablo discussed the need to be able to set up merchandising
- A comment was made that there may be party members that can assist in printing shirts and we should reach out to people who may be able to help in other ways

10. Committee Assignments

- Pablo discussed the current status of the committees and called for members to look over and consider membership on the various committees.
- Pablo asked that members review the policies below in order to potentially vote on making these changes in the future.
 - i. Policy for the LPO Board to Committee Formation and Committee Chair Appointment Policy: Review policy here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/17RY-TN8x_hJVU_gE-LjJ9zRDhmginueyLwToio1OHfk/edit#bookmark=id.fa5hpg99pba9

- ii. Policy for Committee Chairs as Non-Voting Members of the Board of Directors
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11. Open Forum

- Forum was opened
 - i. The incoming treasurer Travis made a small report on the transition of the treasurer position. Kenny the former treasurer was willing to stay on as the alternate transaction filer in ORESTAR.
 - ii. Timothy Perkins stated that he would be working with the new secretary to help guide in the formation and process of the new minutes. He reiterated the importance of filling out the contact info form in a timely manner.

12. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

- The meeting was determined to be July 12th at 8pm.
- Motion to adjourn meeting made by Taylor Rickey, second by Eric Pinnell.



Agenda for LP Oregon Board Meeting

Date: June 14th

Time: 7pm

Location: Zoom:

1. Call to Order upon quorum
2. Roll Call
 - Take attendance to ensure all board members are present. Note any absences.

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4. Selection of Officers

Discuss and vote on the appointment of officers for the LP Oregon Board.

Positions to consider are:

- a. Chairperson
- b. Vice Chairperson
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer

- Any other necessary positions

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7. Discussion on Cadence of Subsequent Monthly Board Meetings

- Determine the frequency and timing of future monthly board meetings. Consider the availability and preferences of board members.

- Discuss the duration of each meeting and any specific guidelines or rules for efficient and effective board meetings.
8. Onboarding
- Email addresses
 - Notification preferences
 - Directory of Libertarian Party Volunteers
 - Voter Data
9. Chair's Report - Setting Goals and Objectives
- Brainstorm and establish the key goals and objectives for LP Oregon for the upcoming term.
 - Define specific targets and milestones to track progress and measure success.
10. Committee Assignments
- Assign board members to various committees or working groups based on their expertise, interests, and availability.
 - Discuss the responsibilities and expectations of each committee and ensure appropriate representation.
11. Open Forum
- Provide an opportunity for board members to raise any additional topics, concerns, or suggestions.
 - i. IT Committee Needs
 1. Currently using Sitegrounds
 2. Evaluating Hostinger
<https://www.hostinger.com/web-hosting>
12. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment
- Determine the date, time, and location of the next board meeting.
 - Officially adjourn the meeting.

Appendix

Bylaws Amendment Proposals

Include Non-Partisan Races

Reasoning: The LPO's purpose statement only refers to electing Libertarians to partisan office, but most elected positions in Oregon are nonpartisan. This change would authorize the party to dedicate resources in pursuing impactful local races like school boards and city councils.

Article 2 - Purpose

The purpose of the LPO is to perform the activities necessary to place as many **partisan Libertarian of its own members as** candidates on the ballot for elections in the State of Oregon as possible, **to support its own members in running for public office**, and to promote the system of governance espoused by the Libertarian Party Statement of Principles.

Remove Wright System Specification and Reweighted Range Method

Reasoning: There are several online voting platforms that could be used for LPO elections, but none of them use the specific Single Transferable Vote (STV) method called out by our bylaws, meaning we can't use them or else have to process the votes using a separate custom software. The LPO has not used the Reweighted Range Voting method (RRV) to conduct any elections, which is arguably an inferior form of score voting compared to Score Then Automatic Runoff (STAR)

Article 9 - Elections

Sec 2: Rules for Elections

Elections for a single position shall be tabulated by instant runoff voting, ~~unless the board of directors votes to instead use the~~ or score then automatic runoff method ("STAR").

Elections for multiple positions shall be tabulated using ~~the Wright system of~~ single transferable vote ~~as defined by the proportional representation society of Australia, unless the board of directors votes to instead use or~~ the multi-winner or proportional representation version of the score then automatic runoff method ("STAR-PR"), ~~or the Reweighted Range Voting method ("RRV").~~

Make Conventions Annual

Reasoning: The LPO has often struggled to meet quorum requirements, which has prevented needed bylaws changes from being able to occur. A yearly event is more engaging with the membership, which could lead to increased participation.

Article 5 - Board of Directors

Sec 8: Transitional Board Meeting

Following each director election, tThe outgoing board of directors must schedule a transitional board meeting to occur no later than the day after the next regular convention. At this board meeting, the term of office for the outgoing directors ends and the term of office for the incoming directors begins. The incoming directors must elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among the board of directors at this meeting.

Article 8 – Conventions

Sec 1: Regular ~~Biennial~~Annual Convention

The LPO shall hold its regular ~~biennial~~Annual business convention in the state of Oregon ~~in the spring~~ of each ~~odd-numbered~~ year, at a time and place chosen by the board of directors. Conventions in even-numbered years shall not be scheduled to occur within two weeks of the Libertarian Party national convention, and shall also be scheduled to occur at least 60 days before the State of Oregon deadline for filing partisan candidates in that year's general election

Article 9 - Elections

Sec 1: Methods of calling election

B. Director Elections

In odd-numbered years elections for directors shall be held on a schedule that permits the results to be announced at the regular convention. Electors for the election of the board of

directors shall be those LPO members who meet any of the following additional criteria relating to LPO business:

- were a delegate in the previous **odd-numbered-year** regular convention
- were a delegate in any convention since the previous **odd-numbered-year** regular convention
- served on any board or committee since the previous transitional board meeting
- returned a timely ballot in the previous primary election
- made a cash or in-kind donation at or since the previous **odd-numbered-year** regular convention

People may be electors by virtue of their status as a convention delegate without regard to whether that convention made quorum.

Hybrid and Remote Conventions

Reasoning: Improves delegate access and provides an option to reduce the financial burden of conventions.

Article 8 – Conventions

Sec 5: Hybrid and Remote Conventions

Regular conventions shall provide an option for delegates to attend and vote remotely, with continuous audio available. The board of directors may choose to hold regular conventions fully remotely via two-thirds vote.

Rename Public Policy Board

Reasoning: The Libertarian Party of Oregon has a Board of Directors, which serves as the executive oversight of the party. Calling both bodies "Board" is a bit inconvenient, and possibly misleading at first glance.

Article 6 – Public Policy **Board**Council

Sec 1: Composition

A. Eligibility

1. To stand for election to or remain a member of the Public Policy **Board**Council, a person must meet the same qualifications as those set for the Board of Directors, and must pledge in

writing "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals."

2. No person may simultaneously be a voting member of the Board of Directors and a voting member of the Public Policy **BoardCouncil**. One position must be resigned before that person may exercise their vote in the other. A person elected simultaneously to both ~~boards~~ **bodies** may resign from one before the start of their term, allowing election runners-up to earn the position as if the resigning person had not been a candidate.

3. A person who no longer meets the eligibility requirements to serve is automatically and immediately removed from the Public Policy **BoardCouncil**.

4. A member of the Public Policy **BoardCouncil** who fails to attend two regularly scheduled consecutive meetings may be removed by a two-thirds vote at the next meeting. If then present, the member facing removal may not vote on this question.

B. Maintenance

1. The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** shall be elected by the LPO membership at large, using the same schedule, voting method, electors, and balloting as for the election of the Board of Directors.

2. The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** shall have 11 members, whose terms start and end concurrently with those of the Board of Directors.

3. Vacancies may be filled by appointment by the remainder of the Public Policy **BoardCouncil**.

4. Vacancies persisting for more than 90 days may be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors.

C. Non-voting Members

The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** may appoint or remove non-voting members to serve as advisers, writers, subcommittee chairs, or any other role they deem useful to the business of the Public Policy **BoardCouncil**. Non-voting members enjoy every privilege of membership on the Public Policy **BoardCouncil** except voting.

Sec 2: Authority

A. Duties

The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** shall:

1. in their first meeting of a new term, select from among the regular members a Chair and Secretary.

2. submit written meeting minutes to the Board of Directors within one week of adoption.

3. advise the Board of Directors on the exercise of its power in Article 8, Sec. 1 (A) to choose a nominee for election to public office.

4. maintain records of public policy positions adopted in convention.

5. maintain the public policy platform.
6. oversee public communications related to LPO public policy positions and platform.

B. Powers

The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** is empowered, with a two-thirds quorum requirement, to:

1. upon a three-fourths vote, adopt positions on specific matters of public policy.
2. upon a three-fourths vote, create and amend the public policy platform of the LPO.
3. upon a three-fourths vote, issue candidate and ballot measure endorsements.
4. upon a three-fourths vote, approve statements for the Voters' Pamphlet in support of or in opposition to ballot measures.
5. approve a political party statement for the Voters' Pamphlet.
6. upon a two-thirds vote, provide feedback and public testimony on legislative bills and administrative rules, or authorize LPO members to do so.
7. recommend LPO members to serve in government organizations.
8. recommend LPO members to fill vacancies in public office.
9. veto the nomination of any non-member of the LPO to election for public office.
10. veto the nomination of any LPO member to election for public office, but only with the concurrence of the Board of Directors, and requiring a two-thirds vote of each **beardbody**.
11. delegate any of these powers to subcommittees, the motion to do so being subject to the same vote margin requirement as the power(s) thus delegated, and to set the policies by which the subcommittee members and leadership are seated.

C. Exclusions

The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** has no authority to:

1. conflict with the Libertarian Party Statement of Principles.
2. conflict with public policy positions adopted in convention.

D. Funding

The Public Policy **BoardCouncil** may request funding from the Board of Directors to:

1. pay for approved Voters' Pamphlet statements.
2. transfer to an LPO nominee or their candidate committee.
3. transfer to a political action committee that is not a candidate committee.
4. fund other political advocacy of the LPO.

Sec 3: Transition

The officers of the outgoing Public Policy **BoardCouncil** shall convey to the incoming members pending business items, unapproved minutes, recent drafts, and any other materials they deem to be of importance or urgency. These items shall be conveyed no later than the date of the incoming Public Policy **Beard'sCouncil**'s first meeting, which in turn shall be no earlier than the corresponding transitional meeting of the Board of Directors that marks the beginning and end of the term of office.

Sec 4: Meetings

The Public Policy **Board**Council must adopt a policy establishing regular meetings. In the absence of such a policy, the Public Policy **Board**Council meets at the call of its Chair.

Non-Voting Directors as Committee Chairs Policy

1. Introduction

- a. Purpose: This policy manual outlines the guidelines and procedures for appointing non-voting directors as chairs of committees on the LP Oregon Board of Directors.
- b. Scope: This policy applies to the LP Oregon Board of Directors and its committees.

2. Non-Voting Directors as Committee Chairs

- a. Definition: Non-voting directors are board members who do not possess voting rights during board meetings.
- b. Appointment: The appointment of non-voting directors as chairs of committees shall require a two-thirds majority vote of the LP Oregon Board of Directors.
- c. Responsibilities:
 - i. Reporting: Non-voting directors who serve as committee chairs shall provide regular reports to the board, summarizing the committee's activities, progress, and recommendations.
 - ii. Seconding Motions: Non-voting directors serving as committee chairs have the authority to second motions made by other board members during meetings.
 - iii. Feedback: Non-voting directors are encouraged to provide feedback and engage in discussions during board meetings to contribute their expertise and insights.
- d. Limitations:
 - i. Voting: Non-voting directors are not permitted to cast votes during board meetings.

ii. Motion Making: Non-voting directors can make motions during board meetings, but they cannot vote on those motions.

iii. All Other Duties: Non-voting directors are expected to fulfill all other duties and responsibilities of a regular board member except for the voting privilege.

3. Committee Chair Selection Process

a. Nomination: Non-voting directors interested in serving as committee chairs must submit a nomination to the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

b. Evaluation: The board shall review the nominations and assess the qualifications, expertise, and suitability of the non-voting director for the specific committee chair role.

c. Selection: The selection of non-voting directors as committee chairs shall be decided by a two-thirds majority vote of the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

d. Term: The term of a non-voting director serving as a committee chair shall be determined by the board, typically aligning with the regular board member term.

4. Roles and Responsibilities of Committee Chairs

a. Leadership: Committee chairs, including non-voting directors, are responsible for providing leadership and guidance to their respective committees.

b. Committee Oversight: Chairs shall ensure the committee operates effectively, meets its objectives, and adheres to relevant policies and procedures.

c. Communication: Chairs are responsible for maintaining open lines of communication with committee members, other board members, and relevant stakeholders.

d. Reporting: Committee chairs, including non-voting directors, shall provide regular reports to the LP Oregon Board of Directors, addressing the committee's progress, recommendations, and any significant developments.

5. Amendment and Review

a. Amendment: Any proposed amendments to this policy manual must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

b. Review: This policy manual shall be reviewed periodically to ensure its continued relevance and effectiveness. Amendments or updates may be made as necessary.

6. Conclusion

This policy manual aims to establish a framework for non-voting directors to serve as committee chairs within the LP Oregon Board of Directors, allowing them to contribute their expertise and provide valuable insights while respecting the limitations on voting rights.

Committee Formation and Chair Appointment Policy

1. Introduction

a. Purpose: This policy outlines the guidelines for the formation of committees within the LP Oregon (LPO) organization, the appointment of committee chairs, and the process for becoming a non-voting director.

b. Scope: This policy applies to all committees formed within LP Oregon and their respective chairs.

2. Committee Formation

a. Individual Formation: Committees may be formed by an individual within LP Oregon, who identifies the need for a specific committee to address a particular area or project.

b. Proposal Submission: The individual proposing the committee shall submit a formal proposal outlining the committee's purpose, objectives, and expected outcomes to the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

c. Board Approval: The LP Oregon Board of Directors shall review the proposal and approve the formation of the committee by a majority vote.

3. Committee Chair Appointment

a. Role of the Chair: The committee chair is responsible for leading and coordinating the committee's activities, ensuring its objectives are met, and serving as a liaison between the committee and the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

b. Chair Selection Process:

i. Call for Nominations: The LP Oregon Board of Directors will issue a call for nominations for the committee chair position.

ii. Nomination and Evaluation: Interested individuals may nominate themselves or others for the committee chair position. The board shall evaluate the qualifications, experience, and suitability of the nominees for the role.

iii. Voting and Appointment: The LP Oregon Board of Directors shall vote on the appointment of the committee chair. A majority vote is required for appointment.

c. Non-Voting Director Status: Individuals appointed as committee chairs shall also be voted on as non-voting directors by the LP Oregon Board of Directors. A majority vote is required for non-voting director status.

4. Committee Membership

a. Board Delegation: The authority to add members to committees is delegated to the LP Oregon Board of Directors. Committees do not have the autonomy to add their own members.

b. Board Oversight: The LP Oregon Board of Directors shall review committee membership and make additions or changes as deemed necessary to ensure effective representation and expertise within each committee.

5. Committee Responsibilities

a. Committee Objectives: Committees shall work towards achieving their defined objectives as stated in their proposal, in alignment with the overall goals of LP Oregon.

b. Reporting: Committee chairs shall provide regular reports to the LP Oregon Board of Directors, summarizing the committee's activities, progress, and recommendations.

c. Collaboration: Committees should collaborate with other committees, board members, and relevant stakeholders as necessary to fulfill their responsibilities.

6. Amendment and Review

a. Amendment: Any proposed amendments to this policy must be approved by a majority vote of the LP Oregon Board of Directors.

b. Review: This policy shall be reviewed periodically to ensure its continued effectiveness. Amendments or updates may be made as necessary.

7. Conclusion

This policy establishes the guidelines for the formation of committees, the appointment of committee chairs, and the process for becoming a non-voting director within LP Oregon. By adhering to these guidelines, committees can contribute effectively to the organization's goals, while maintaining oversight and accountability by the LP Oregon Board of Directors.