

THE AGORA LIBERTARIAN CLUB (OF NEW YORK)

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES

The AGORA LIBERTARIAN CLUB, an affiliate of the FREE LIBERTARIAN PARTY, Inc., (of New York), adopts and supports the Principles and Objectives of that body as stated in its bylaws.

Beyond that support, the ALC declares as its objectives:

1. To be in the vanguard of those who labor to apply Libertarian principles to concrete social and political problems.
2. In these labors to avoid the trap of narrow dogmatism by acknowledging the rich variety of Libertarian options.
3. To establish and maintain the widest possible contacts outside of the Party to more effectively promote Libertarian ideals.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

A. Requirements

Membership in the ALC shall be open to any member in good standing of the FREE LIBERTARIAN PARTY, Inc.

B. Dues and Fees

There shall be no dues or yearly fees in the ALC.

Membership in the ALC shall not be denied to any member of the FLP on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, or sexual preference.

ARTICLE III

MEETINGS

The ALC shall meet at least monthly and more frequently at the pleasure of the members, except that the members may vote to suspend regular meetings during June, July, August and December unless such month immediately preceeds the month of a convention of the FLP, in which case a meeting must be held.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

A. Titles

The members of the ALC shall elect a Chairperson and State Committeeperson(s) and such other officers as the members see fit.

B. Nominations

Nominations of all officers shall be from the floor, no nominating committees being permitted.

C. Terms of Office

All elected officers shall serve terms of one year and may not hold the same office for more than two consecutive terms.

D. Manner of Elections

All officers and State Committeepersons shall be elected during the month preceeding the month of the Regular convention of the FLP.

ARTICLE V

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The members of the ALC may, at their pleasure, appoint or elect an Executive Committee to manage the affairs of the club and such committee shall have powers as the members deem advisable.

ARTICLE VI

SUSPENSION, TERMINATION AND REMOVAL

A. Suspension

There shall be no suspension of membership in the ALC.

B. Termination of Club Membership and/or Removal of Club Officers

1. Termination and/or removal shall be automatic for any member whose membership in the FLP shall lapse.
2. No member shall be removed from the membership roll or from an elected club office unless i.) the member shall resign; ii.) in a duly held meeting of the club the member in question a.) is present and fully informed of the charges to be made and b.) is permitted to be accompanied and advised by a FLP member in good standing but not a member of the club, and c.) is permitted to respond to the charges and d.) there shall be an unanimous vote of the entire club membership (the member in question having no vote) to terminate the member's membership in the club and/or remove the member from office; or iii.) all or part of the club membership shall individually request, in writing and stating the reason(s) for the request, that the State Committee of the FLP either remove the member's name from the club's membership roll or appoint an arbitrator to settle the dispute between the member in question and the several club members.
3. In termination or removal proceedings involving more than one member on the same charge, all such charged members shall not vote.

ARTICLE VII

VOTING PROCEDURES

A. Quorum

At all meetings, a quorum consisting of 80% of those members of the club in good standing shall be required to conduct official business.

B. Voting

At all club meetings a motion shall be passed on the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the votes cast.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENIMENT PROCEDURES

- A. Any member of the club may propose amendments to these bylaws at any duly held meeting of the club.
- B. Proposed amendments may be put to a vot at any meeting at which a quorum is in attendance; otherwise the vote on the amendment shall be conducted at the next scheduled meeting provided that a quorum is in attendance and provided that all club members are informed in advance and in writing of the proposed amendment and that a vote on the amendment will be held.

ARTICLE IX

VACANCY AND SUCCESSION

- A. In the event of the temporary inability of a club officer to perform the officer's duties, the members shall select a pro tem replacement.
- B. In the event of a vacancy in any office of the club, the mabership shall hold an election to fill the unexpired term of that office.

ARTICLE X

CLUB PROJECTS

A. Funding

All club projects requiring funding will be financed by the members voting in favor of the project. Such funding shall be apportioned as seen fit by the members providing the funds.

B. Participation

Participation in funded club projects by non-contributing club members or others shall be at the discretion of the funding members. Participation in non-funded projects by non-club or non-Party members shall be at the discretion of the members participating in the project.