

# **Libertarian Party of California Executive Committee Minutes**



**18 May 2019**

Marriot Riverside at the Convention Center  
3400 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501



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## Call to Order

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Chair Robson, called the meeting to order at 10:00am on 18 May 2019 at the Marriot Riverside at the Convention Center, 3400 Market Street, Riverside, CA.

## Roll Call

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A quorum of the Executive Committee was present with the following voting members:

### Officers:

Mimi Robson, Chair  
Kenneth Brent Olsen, Vice-Chair  
Paul Vallandigham, Secretary  
Steven Haug, Treasurer (arrived at 10:17am)

### At-Large Members:

Rick Dawson  
Chuck Hamm  
Jason Quintero  
Boomer Shannon (arrived at 10:16am)  
Kevin Shaw

### Area Coordinators:

Justin Quigley, Central Area  
Coordinator  
Wendy Hewitt, Southern Area  
Coordinator

### At-Large Alternates

Jillian Olsen

### The following guests were in attendance:

### Members Not Present

Brandon Nelson, Northern Area  
Coordinator  
Rebecca Lau  
Kalish Morrow  
Joshua Smith  
Devin Harris

Peter Moulds, Santa Clara County  
Michael Charles, Orange County  
Jennifer Charles (non-member,  
Orange County)  
Rachel Johnson, Los Angeles County  
David Naranjo, Chair, LP of Orange  
County  
Tim Ferreira, Los Angeles County  
Bruce Dovner, Los Angeles County  
Jeff Hewitt, Riverside County  
Supervisor & LNC Region 4  
Representative  
Mario Garai (non-member)

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**Adoption of Agenda**

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**Motion** Mr. Quintero moved with second to adopt the agenda with no objections.

- Call to Order (w/Roll Call) – 10:00am
- Adoption of Agenda (5 minutes)
- Public Comment (10 minutes – 3 minutes per comment)
- Approval of Meeting Minutes (10 minutes)
  - 2019 Convention Minutes (if available)
- Chair’s Report (15 minutes)
- Vice- Chair’s Report (15 minutes)
- Northern Area Coordinator’s Report (10 minutes)
- Southern Area Coordinator’s Report (10 minutes)
- Secretary’s Report (10 minutes)
- Operating Procedures Manual (15 minutes)
- Treasurer’s Report (10 minutes)
- County Organization Support Committee Report (10 minutes)
- BREAK FOR LUNCH
- Election - Bylaws Committee (5 members -- 20 minutes)
- Election - Platform Committee Coordinator (10 minutes)
- Election - Program Committee (5 members -- 10 minutes)
- Election-Budget Committee (4 members -- 10 minutes)
- Election of Social Media Committee (6 members -- 10 minutes)
- Election - Communications and Marketing Committee (2 members - 10 minutes)
- State Legislature Bills AB-262, SB-276, and SB-421 (15 minutes)
- LNC Report (10 minutes)
- Candidate Support Committee Report (10 minutes)
- Volunteer Coordination Committee Report (10 minutes)
- Historical Preservation Committee Report (10 minutes)
- 2018 Convention Committee Report (5 minutes)
- 2019 Convention (10 minutes)
- California State Fair (10 minutes)
- LPC Physical Asset Storage (5 minutes)
  - Where in the LA area to store the AV assets that will be convenient for the convention.
- New Business (5 minutes)
- Set Next Meeting -- North or Central (5 minutes)
- Action Items (5 minutes)
- Adjourn

## **Public Comment**

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There were no comments from the public.

**Motion:** Mr. Shaw moved with second to suspend the rules in order to pass a resolution authorizing the LPC to issue a public statement mourning the death of Grumpy Cat.

**Vote:** Motion passed on a 2/3 majority voice vote.

**Motion:** Mr. Shaw moved with second to adopt the following resolution:

We appreciate Grumpy Cat, all the years of fine memes she brought to our lives, and we mourn her passing.

Discussion ensued.

Chair Robson called for a roll call vote on the motion.

<b>Vote:</b>	<b>K. Shaw</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	<b>W. Hewitt</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	<b>J. Olsen</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	<b>J. Quintero</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	<b>K. B. Olsen</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	C. Hamm	Nay
	<b>R. Dawson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	<b>J. Quigley</b>	<b>Aye</b>
	P. Vallandigham	Nay
	<b>M. Robson</b>	<b>Aye</b>

The motion passed on an 8-2-0 vote.

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

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Chair Robson stated that Minutes from the 2019 Convention were transmitted in draft form to her on the morning of this Executive Committee meeting and she did not have sufficient time to print them. She therefore suggested a motion to table approval of those Minutes to an email motion so members would have adequate time to review them before voting.

**Motion:** Mr. Hamm moved with second to table adoption of the 2019 Convention Minutes to an email motion.

**Vote:** The motion passed with no objections.

Mr. Ferreira stated that he was receiving input from viewers of the meeting via the live stream that viewers were having difficulty hearing the conversation and the video was skipping. Chair Robson asked everyone to speak up and noted that a high resolution video recording would be available on YouTube after the meeting.

## **Chair's Report**

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Chair Robson submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix A), presented an oral report and fielded questions.

## **Vice-Chair's Report**

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Vice-Chair Olsen submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix B), and presented an oral report.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second to authorize Kevin Moore to reach out on the behalf of the Libertarian Party of California regarding the illegality in some jurisdictions for individuals to feed the homeless, on the condition that he submit the wording of his initial letter for approval by the Executive Committee via email ballot.

Discussion ensued.

**Motion:** Mr. Hamm moved with second to amend the motion to authorize Kevin Moore to reach out on the behalf of the Libertarian Party of California regarding the illegality in some jurisdictions for individuals to feed the homeless on the condition that he submit the wording of his initial letter for approval by the Executive Committee via email ballot, with the authorization to expire on 31 Dec 2019.

Discussion on the amendment ensued.

The question was called by Mr. Shannon without objection.

**Vote:** The amended motion passed on a voice vote.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second to amend the main motion as amended to authorize Kevin Moore to reach out on behalf of the Libertarian Party of California regarding the illegality in some jurisdictions for individuals to feed the homeless on condition that he submit the wording of any letters for approval by the Executive Committee via email ballot, with the authorization to expire on 31 Dec 2019.”

The question was called by Mr. Shannon without objection.

**Vote:** The amended motion passed on a voice vote.

No further discussion on the main motion (as amended) was offered.

**Vote:** The main motion (as amended) passed on a voice vote.

## **Northern Area Coordinator's Report**

Northern Area Coordinator Nelson submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix C). Vice-Chair Olsen read the report on Mr. Nelson's behalf.

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Coordinator Nelson requested (via his report, read by Dr. Olsen) clarification on how the \$2,000.00 budget for each area is authorized to be spent. Discussion ensued.

Chair Robson noted that time had expired on this agenda item.

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to extend time on this item for 10 minutes with no objections.

Further discussion ensued.

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to add a Standing Rule to the Operating Procedures Manual as Follows:

**Area Coordinator Budget**

Area Coordinator budgets shall be restricted to the following uses:

- Tangible assets
- Promotional opportunities
- Marketing and advertising
- Office supplies

The question was called by Mr. Shannon without objection.

**Vote:** The motion passed on a voice vote.

**Central Area Coordinator's Report**

Chair Robson noted there was no Central Area Coordinator's Report submitted and this report was not on the agenda, but offered Central Area Coordinator Quigley the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Quigley reported he has received an inquiry from a member in Stanislaus County regarding legislation in Sacramento potentially restricting vaping and asking if there are any LPC members who are medical doctors and might be interested in addressing this legislation.

He also reported there is interest from a member of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers' Association in organizing mutually-organized fundraising events in Stanislaus County.

Mr. Quigley reported he is seeing increasing interest in organizing from members in Merced and San Joaquin counties. Mariposa County is currently writing bylaws. He is interested in utilizing the Central Area budget in Tuolumne and Calaveras counties to grow interest in the LPC – they currently have no members.

Mr. Quigley reported he has spoken with Mark Herd, who has expressed interest in helping to get those counties activated. Mr. Shannon provided input on potential opportunities related to this offer from Mr. Herd.

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## **Southern Area Coordinator's Report**

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Southern Area Coordinator Hewitt submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix D) and fielded questions. She stated she has submitted a report and she has emailed all the relevant counties.

Chair Robson offered to fill in details on San Diego County. She reported that they now have a treasurer, are working diligently to comply with FPPC regulations, and are eager to associate with the LPC organization.

Ms. Hewitt stated that she has contacted several people in Imperial County and is working to get them organized.

Ms. Hewitt reported that Riverside County is becoming more active, with the formation of three regional meetings. Mr. Shannon added that this is at least in part due to the election of Jeff Hewitt to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors. He noted we have a Libertarian Mayor, Susan Marie Weber, in Palm Desert and two of our members have announced they are running (and gained the endorsement of the LPC at the convention) for City Council positions in Palm Springs (Scott Myer, District 1) and Menifee (Ricky Estrada). Jeff Hewitt is raising funds for re-election and already has close to \$100,000.00 raised.

Lastly, the Southern California Conference is coming in July and will be held at Geezers in Santa Fe Springs on July 20, 2019.

## **Secretary's Report**

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Secretary Vallandigham submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix E) and presented an oral report.

## **Operating Procedures Manual (OPM)**

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**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to omit the Style Committee/Platform from the Operating Procedures Manual.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to move the Convention Oversight Committee from the "Standing Committees" to the "Conventions" section of the Operating Procedures Manual.

The question was called by Mr. Shannon without objection.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to amend the section of the OPM describing the Convention Oversight Committee, thereby changing the composition of the Committee from five members to seven members as follows:

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**Convention Oversight Committee**

On matters concerning the Party's annual convention, the committee shall plan and manage the Party's upcoming convention, included the following tasks:

- Conveying requirements to the convention planners.
- Ensuring the convention meets the Party's needs.
- Reviewing and approving in a timely manner, major elements such as the convention program.

The committee shall periodically report its decisions and actions to the Executive Committee. The committee shall consist of **five seven** members appointed by the Party Chair, including a Committee Chair to be selected by the Party Chair. The committee may begin its work as soon as its members are appointed. (04/09/2019)

Mr. Shannon suggested the Chair should pass the gavel to the Vice-Chair, since it appeared that she had a slate of motions to offer. Chair Robson passed the gavel to Vice-Chair Olsen, who asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The question was called by Mr. Shannon without objection.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to amend the standing rule for the Budget Committee as follows:

**Budget Committee**

- 1) The operations of the LPC shall be governed by a budget adopted by the Budget Committee.
- 2) The Budget Committee shall consist of the Treasurer and four members elected by the Executive Committee at the **post-convention first quarterly** Executive Committee meeting **following the convention**. It will consider and construct a budget of income and expenditures for a period of January 1 through December 31 and distribute the budget to the **new** Executive Committee **within 30 days. (06/09/2018) at its final meeting of the fiscal year for ratification.** (05/18/2019)
- 3) The Executive Committee may amend the budget by deletion at any time with a majority vote. Any other changes by the Executive Committee will require a 2/3 vote.
- ~~4) **The outgoing Treasurer will provide a temporary budget at the convention Executive Committee meeting. (8-82-50.8)**~~
- 5) **The Treasurer shall present the Budget Report and the adopted budget at the Party's annual convention. (05/18/2019).**

Discussion ensued.

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**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to amend the standing rule for the Membership Committee as follows:

**Membership Committee**

A Membership Committee, made up of five Central Committee Members, shall be appointed by the Chair to manage the LPC's programs to promote membership. (04/07/2019) The committee members shall select the Committee Chair.

- 1) Develop and implement programs and materials for membership recruitment and upgrade (i.e., prospecting for new members, increasing *dues contributions* membership dues by encouraging upgraded membership levels from existing members, getting national-only members to join as state members, and getting state-only members to join as national members), including membership promotion literature, membership application forms, direct mail letters, advertisements, and in-person contact such as fair booths. (95)
- 2) Develop and implement programs and material for membership retention, including new member packets, renewal letters, renewal forms, and membership premiums. (95) The committee should actively contact recently lapsed members to encourage them to renew. (05/18/2019)
- 3) Encourage membership recruitment by LPC *regions* County Central Committees. (95)
- 4) Track, share information and analyze membership progress and the results of membership programs. (95)
- 5) Review policies concerning membership qualifications and dues and report recommendations for improvements to the Executive Committee and/or Bylaws Committee for consideration. (95)
- 6) Work with other LPC committees (*e.g., Inquiry Response, Fundraising*) and the newsletter editor to coordinate activities which involve solicitation of new memberships or dues. (95)
- 7) The Membership Committee has the authority to establish membership categories and pricing for the Libertarian Party of California. (09/23/17)
- 8) The Membership should attempt to contact Life Members to insure they are still active and engaged.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

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**Motion:** Ms. Robson moved with second to amend the standing rule for the Credentials Committee as follows:

**Credentials Committee**

~~*As it is too much for the LPC Secretary to be responsible for both taking the minutes and credentialing at the Convention, a*~~ A Credentials Committee made up of five Central Committee Members ~~*will*~~ shall be created ~~*(the same as what's done at the National Convention)*~~ to assist the Secretary at the Party's Annual Convention. Five members will be appointed to the Credentials Committee by the Executive Committee and the ~~*Chair will appoint the*~~ committee shall select the Committee Chair. The Credentials Committee is required to retain a list of all Delegates in attendance of the Convention and provide periodic credentials reports to the Secretary during the convention to be reported to the delegates.  
~~*(06/01/2002)*~~

Discussion ensued.

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved to amend the motion with second as follows:

**Credentials Committee**

A Credentials Committee made up of five Central Committee Members elected at the second quarterly meeting after the convention shall be created to assist the Secretary at the Party's Annual Convention. Five members will be appointed to the Credentials Committee by the Executive Committee and the committee shall select the Committee Chair. The Credentials Committee is required to retain a list of all Delegates in attendance of the Convention and provide periodic credentials reports to the Secretary during the convention to be reported to the delegates.  
~~*(06/01/2002)*~~

**Vote:** The amendment passed by voice vote.

**Vote:** The main motion (as amended) passed by voice vote.

Dr. Olsen passed the gavel back to Chair Robson.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Haug submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix F) and presented an oral report.

Discussion ensued following Mr. Haug's update on the two IRS letters to the LPC received in March requesting the LPC to file employer tax return forms for tax year 2008. Mr. Haug reported he is working on contacting a CPA and a tax attorney he knows to determine the best approach to notify the IRS that our records indicate

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we have never had an employee. Mr. Hamm suggested hiring a professional immediately and paying them to resolve it before the fines and interest are taken from our bank account. Mr. Haug stated he intends to take appropriate action within the next several weeks to prevent that from happening. He hopes to gain information from the IRS on how they came to the false conclusion that we had employees and then possibly use that information to make a public report of IRS fraud and gain positive publicity for the LPC.

### County Organization Support Committee Report

Committee Chair Naranjo submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix G) and presented an oral report.

**Motion:** Mr. Shaw moved with second to change the name of the “County Organization Support Committee” back to the “Affiliate Support Committee”.

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Haug presented the idea that financial assistance from the LPC for new county affiliates [in addition to dues sharing] might be a good idea to make it easier to get started.

Mr. Shannon made the following motion:

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to extend time by five minutes with no objections.

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to table the remainder of the County Organization Support Committee Report until after lunch with no objections.

### Break for Lunch

Meeting was recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon.

Meeting was resumed at 1:14 PM.

### County Organization Support Committee Report (cont'd.)

Discussion about providing financial assistance from the LPC for new county affiliates [in addition to dues sharing] resumed.

Mr. Shannon called for orders of the day. Chair Robson stated we are two minutes and nineteen seconds into the 10-minute extension.

Mr. Shannon called for orders of the day. Chair Robson stated there was about two minutes left on this agenda item.

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**Motion:** Mr. Dawson moved with second to extend time by five minutes.

**Vote:** The motion to extend time failed by raise of hands.

### Election – Bylaws Committee

The Bylaws Committee consists of 5 members. The Chair opened nominations for this committee.

Mr. Dawson nominated:

- Kenneth Brent Olsen
- Jillian Olsen
- Brandon Nelson
- Chuck Hamm
- Rick Dawson

**Motion:** Mr. Dawson moved with second to elect the Bylaws Committee as a slate with no objections.

**Vote:** The motion to elect the committee as a slate passed by voice vote. Kenneth Brent Olsen, Jillian Olsen, Brandon Nelson, Chuck Hamm and Rick Dawson were elected to the Bylaws Committee.

### Election – Platform Committee Coordinator

Applicants were received and reviewed for Platform Committee Coordinator. The applicants were:

- Michael Charles
- Kristin Marzec
- James Ogle
- John David Ward

Mr. Hamm nominated **John David Ward**.

Mr. Shannon nominated **Kristin Marzec**.

**Vote:** Ballots were cast and the results were as follows:

**John David Ward: 8**  
Kristin Marzec: 4

John David Ward was elected Platform Committee Coordinator.

### Election – Program Committee

The Program Committee consists of 5 members. The Chair opened nominations for this committee.

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Mr. Shaw nominated **Bruce Dovner**.

Dr. Olsen nominated **Jason Quintero**.

Mr. Shannon nominated **Gail Lightfoot**.

Mr. Shannon nominated Boomer Shannon.

Mr. Shaw nominated **Kevin Shaw**.

Mr. Shannon nominated Mimi Robson. Ms. Robson declined the nomination.

Mr. Shannon rescinded his self-nomination.

Mr. Shannon nominated Justin Quigley. Mr. Quigley declined the nomination.

Mr. Shannon nominated **Rick Dawson**.

**Motion:** Mr. Quigley moved with second to elect the five members of the Program Committee as a slate with no objections.

**Vote:** The slate was elected by voice vote and Bruce Dovner, Jason Quintero, Gail Lightfoot, Kevin Shaw and Rick Dawson were elected to the Program Committee.

### **Election – Budget Committee**

The Budget Committee consists of 4 elected members and the Treasurer is the Chair of the committee. The Chair opened nominations for this committee.

Dr. Olsen nominated **Kristin Marzec**.

Mr. Shaw nominated **Boomer Shannon**.

Mr. Dawson nominated **Chuck Hamm**.

Mr. Shannon nominated **Wendy Hewitt**.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second to elect the four members of the Budget Committee as a slate with no objections.

**Vote:** The slate was elected by voice vote and Kristin Marzec, Boomer Shannon, Chuck Hamm and Wendy Hewitt were elected to the Budget Committee.

### **Election – Social Media Committee**

The Social Media Committee consists of 6 members appointed by the Executive Committee and a Chair appointed by the LPC Chair for a total of 7 members.

Chair Robson stated she has appointed John Ferrero as Chair, but she will ask the Committee to hold their own election for Chair once the Committee is seated.

Applications for this committee were submitted by:

- Rachel Johnson
- Angela McArdle

Mr. Shannon nominated **Joshua Smith**.

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Mr. Quintero nominated **Elizabeth Stump**.

Ms. Hewitt nominated **Rachel Johnson**.

Mr. Dawson nominated **Angela McArdle**.

Dr. Olsen nominated **Kalish Morrow**.

Dr. Olsen nominated **Justin Quigley**.

Mr. Quintero nominated **Jason Quintero**.

**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to close nominations with no objections.

**Vote:** Ballots were issued with instructions given to vote for no more than six seats or none-of -the-above. Votes were cast and all six seats were filled with a minimum of a majority vote, as follows:

<b>Kalish Morrow</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Rachel Johnson</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Jason Quintero</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Angela McArdle</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Justin Quigley</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Elizabeth Stump</b>	<b>8</b>
Joshua Smith	5

One vote was not counted because the name written on the ballot was “Justin Smith”.

Kalish Morrow, Rachel Johnson, Jason Quintero, Angela McArdle, Justin Quigley and Elizabeth Stump were elected to the Communications & Marketing Committee.

### **Election – Communications & Marketing Committee**

The Communications & Marketing Committee consists of 5 members: one member appointed by the Website Committee, one member appointed by the Social Media Committee, two members appointed by the Executive Committee and a Chair appointed by the LPC Chair.

Applications for this committee were submitted by:

- Marvin Byrd
- John Drebs
- Elizabeth Stump

Dr. Olsen nominated **Elizabeth Stump**.

Dr. Olsen nominated **Kalish Morrow**.

Mr. Dawson nominated **Marvin Byrd**.

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**Vote:** Ballots were issued with instructions given to vote for no more than two seats or none-of-the-above. Votes were cast and one seat was filled with a minimum of a majority vote, as follows:

<b>Elizabeth Stump</b>	<b>10</b>
Marvin Byrd	6
Kalish Morrow	5
NOTA	1

**Motion:** Chuck Hamm moved with second to elect Marvin Byrd by acclimation.

**Vote:** Marvin Byrd was elected to the second seat by voice vote.

Elizabeth Stump and Marvin Byrd were elected to the Communications and Marketing Committee.

Chair Robson asked the body to stand at ease for five minutes.

### **State Legislature Bills**

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Chair Robson stated she had received emails from several county affiliates before the April 2019 LPC convention requesting that the LPC submit letters to the California Legislature in opposition to several bills (AB 262, SB 276 & SB 421) related to mandatory vaccinations that are working their way through the legislative process. The bills would drastically reduce the ability of parents to qualify for exemption from mandatory vaccination. Chair Robson read the emailed letter to the Executive Committee. She stated that:

- 1) she does not believe the Chair has the authority to take such action without presenting the request to the Executive Committee
- 2) the email was received after the last pre-convention Executive Committee meeting
- 3) an attempt to hold an Operations Committee meeting about the topic prior to the convention was unsuccessful and
- 4) there was no time for an email ballot prior to the convention.

She therefore brought this request before the Executive Committee for a decision on whether to submit the requested letter(s) of opposition.

Discussion ensued.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second to give the Chair the authority to take a position on this issue and send that position to the various government agencies or bodies looking at these bills.

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**Motion:** The Chair moved with second to amend the motion to add that the Chair will address this and then submit it to the Executive Committee for approval, amendment or rejection.

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** The amended motion passed by voice vote.

**Vote:** The motion (as amended) passed by voice vote.

Chair Robson asked for assistance from Executive Committee members in writing the letter(s) of opposition.

### **LNC Report**

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LNC Region 4 Representative Jeff Hewitt submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix H), presented an oral report and fielded questions.

### **Candidate Support Committee Report**

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Candidate Support Committee Chair, Ms. Robson submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix I), presented an oral report and fielded questions.

Tim Ferreira provided additional commentary on the Jay Beeber race, urging members to volunteer for the campaign and talk to voting friends and neighbors in District 12 (Northern San Fernando) about voting for Mr. Beeber.

### **Volunteer Coordination Committee Report**

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Volunteer Coordination Committee Chair Paul Vallandigham submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix J) and presented an oral report.

### **Historical Preservation Committee Report**

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Historical Preservation Committee Chair Joe Dehn submitted a written report in advance (included as Appendix K). Chair Robson noted there is an opening for one member on this committee and read the submitted report.

### **2018 Convention Committee Report**

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Chair Robson reported that the 2018 Convention Report had not been given to the Executive Committee previously, so as the Chair of the Convention Committee, she reported key factors of the previous convention. The final report was not yet completed but would be issued and made a part of these meeting minutes (included as Appendix L).

## **2019 Convention Report**

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The 2019 Convention Committee had not yet completed its report however the Chair Robson reported a number of key performance indicators and provided a profit statement for the event (included as Appendix M).

## **California State Fair**

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Chair Robson reported that the LPC has made an initial payment for an LPC outreach booth at the State Fair in Sacramento and Mark Hinkle is the Chair of the State Fair Committee. Ms. Hewitt asked if there were any performance indicators available from prior State Fair participation and the Chair stated that she didn't know of any.

Ms. Hewitt made the following motion:

**Motion:** Ms. Hewitt moved with second that the booth volunteers keep track of how many flyers they hand out.

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** The motion failed by voice vote.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second that the California State Fair Committee are required to report back to the Executive Committee on any contact information or voter registrations or Party membership are received.

Discussion ensued.

Chair Robson stated there are 2 open positions on the (ad hoc) State Fair Committee.

Justin Quigley volunteered to fill one of the open positions.

Discussion continued on methods for attracting people to the booth and tracking performance.

**Vote:** The motion passed by voice vote.

## **LPC Physical Asset Storage**

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Chair Robson reported there are a number of LPC physical assets (audio/visual equipment) that are in need of consolidation for the purpose of inventorying and in need of a more permanent storage place(s). Dr. Olsen noted that Mr. Ferreira has a business associate that would be willing to inventory and store the assets and ship them as needed (with shipping paid by the LPC). Discussion ensued.

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**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved with second to accept Mr. Ferreira's associated proposal to store and ship LPC physical assets as needed and therefore we will consolidate our assets at that location.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Olsen called the question with objections.

**Vote:** The motion to end debate passed on a voice vote.

**Vote:** The motion to store the assets failed on a voice vote.

Chair Robson noted time on the item had expired.

**Motion:** Mr. Quigley moved with second to extend time by 5 minutes with no objections.

Discussion ensued.

Chair Robson noted time on the item expired and noted that action on this item is not required until December, so it would be appropriate to bring this up again at the next Executive Committee meeting.

## New Business

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None

## Set Next Meeting

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Chair Robson noted that it would be appropriate to schedule the next (3<sup>rd</sup> quarter) Executive Committee meeting in either the Northern or Central Area.

**Motion:** Dr. Olsen moved to hold the next Executive Committee meeting on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at the Courtyard by Marriot in Fresno, California.

**Motion:** Mr. Haug moved to substitute the motion and hold the next Executive Committee meeting on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at the I HOP in Santa Clara, California

Discussion ensued.

**Vote:** The substitute motion passed on a voice vote.

The substitute motion now becomes the main motion.

Mr. Shannon called the question without objections.

**Vote:** The main motion passed with a vote of 9-1 by show of hands.

**Final**

**Action Items**

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The Chair, Ms. Robson, requested assistance with ideas and suggestions on writing the letters regarding mandatory vaccination legislation that was addressed earlier in the meeting.

**Adjournment**

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**Motion:** Mr. Shannon moved with second to adjourn with no objections.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul K. Vallandigham  
Secretary, Liberty Party of California

Minutes were approved by the Executive Committee at the August 10, 2019 meeting in Santa Clara, CA

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# Chair's Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Chair:** Mimi Robson

## Mission

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At our recent convention I laid out my plans for the next two years if reelected Chair. The delegates at the convention saw fit to give me these additional two years and therefore it's my intention to put these plans into motion.

I believe to grow the party we need to focus more on increasing the registered Libertarian voters in the state, getting more people involved in activism and growing our donor base. These things need to happen at the local level first so I think the number one responsibility of the Chair is to make sure that each county organization has the tools and resources necessary to do outreach in their communities. The way to get new members isn't to send out something that simply asks for \$25 a year, but rather to first let people know our message, second find out what they are most interested in and then giving them the tools they need to achieve those goals. Once they're engaged they will be willing to make the investment of joining and donating to the party. As we grow our base of voters, volunteers, members and donors we will better be able to achieve the ultimate goal of getting Libertarians elected!

To get Libertarians elected, I want to help serious candidates become viable candidates. In the past we have looked for numerous "paper candidates" to get the Libertarian Party on the ballot and to put forth our message. These candidates were given little support from the Party, and generally little was expected in return. However, the tide changed in 2016 when serious candidates were recruited who wanted to run viable campaigns but we continued to offer little to no support; I was one of those candidates. This is the major change I want to make! I want to insure we provide each serious candidate the support they need to win, which would include a treasurer to help them meet all of the stringent FPPC filing requirements; I want to provide candidates and their campaign teams training and resources to run effective campaigns; and I want to insure we raise significant amounts of money for their campaigns to be competitive. I want to help Libertarians become competitive enough to win elections across the State of California! I want to have more WINS like that of the Jeff Hewitt campaign of 2018!

Last year when I ran for Chair I said I was in it to win it! I said we all needed to put on our "big boy pants" and get the job done and I believe we are doing just that! We are resonating with the voters in California which can be seen in the fact that we had our first partisan candidate progress to the general election in a contested

primary and we had a HUGE win in Riverside County when Jeff Hewitt was elected County Supervisor. I know that to be successful as a political party we need funds to further our outreach. Although our contributions are up in the past year from where they were, there is much more to be done. I have been actively meeting with donors and am optimistic that in the next year we will be in a position to be a force to be reckoned with. I am confident that we will have the resources we need going into the 2020 elections to grow and have Libertarians elected for both partisan and non-partisan offices.

### **General Overview**

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This past month, following the convention, has been very rough for me. As many of you know, my father went into the hospital just a few days after I returned from Concord and unfortunately he was not able to beat his fight with pneumonia and passed on April 30, 2019 at 74 years old. This is a devastating loss to me, my family and his many friends, as well as anyone whose life he's touched. That being said, I've not gotten as much done as I had hoped, but I know that my Dad wants this party to succeed so going forward I will work tirelessly to make all of the above goals a reality.

At the beginning of this month I was invited by the LNC to be a guest on a dinner cruise that was sponsored by Chris Rufer and his wife Melody on their boat. I wasn't sure if I was up to it being it was just 4 days after my father passed, but knew my dad would want me to go and help the party. There were several people on the boat including Nick Sarwark and others from the LNC; County Supervisor Jeff Hewitt and Boomer Shannon, as well as several generous donors which included Tim Ferreira, Steve Haug and Peter Moulds. I was glad that I went! It was wonderful evenings with people that I feel are my extended family, and an excellent opportunity to talk to others about their vision of the Libertarian Party.

Unfortunately, I have not been writing as much as I planned. I've found that writing a bi-weekly op-ed of 700 words takes a lot of time, research and energy. So I am going to ask that if anyone would like to help me with this please know that I will take all suggestions for topics and will work with anyone that wishes to do so, to collaborate on these pieces. This is a really incredible opportunity for the party and I can't do it alone.

### **2018 Concord Convention**

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I will be going over a bit more about this later in the agenda, but wanted to mention that our recent convention was a HUGE success! During the course of the weekend there were 262 people that attended the convention with 152 delegates that signed in. On Sunday morning we had 136 delegates on the floor for the Chair election!

We also raised a substantial amount of money during the course of the weekend. In addition to the convention itself being profitable we raised over \$8,000 for the Candidate Support Committee and had eight members upgrade to Life Membership for an additional \$8,000 bringing the total to over \$16,000! And being the new Life Members were all upgraded that means that \$4,000 will go to the County Organizations that those members are affiliated with.

At the Convention we had a special Early Bird special for the Platinum Package for the 2020 Convention that will be held in Los Angeles over President's Day in February 2020. We sold 12 packages (\$3,600) which fully paid the deposit that was required by the host hotel.

I would like to thank the Convention Committee; Chair of the Committee Brent Olsen, Nick Smith, Kevin Moore, Rebecca Lau, , Eduardo Flores, Steve Haug and Tyler Kuskie for doing an amazing job! I would also like to thank everyone at the Concord Crowne Plaza Hotel for insuring our convention was successful in every way.

## LPC Committees

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Per the Bylaws and the Operating Procedures Manual there are several committees which are either in-part or in-full appointed by the Chair. The following are the current members of each of these committees:

### **Candidate Support Committee:**

Mimi Robson                      Chair  
Emily Henkel-Tilford          Treasurer  
Angela McArdle          Secretary  
Tim Ferreira  
John Ferrero  
Mark Hinkle  
Brent Olsen

Bill MacElroy - NA  
Jonathan Prosser - CA

### **Historical Preservation Committee:**

Joe Dehn                      Chair  
William Hajdu  
Gail Lightfoot  
Jonathan Prosser

### **Communication and Marketing Committee:**

Peter Moulds                      Chair

### **IT Committee:**

Tim Ferreira                      Chair  
Justin Emsoff  
Tim Ferreira

### **Convention Committee:**

Thom Taylor                      Interim Chair

### **Membership Committee:**

Mark Hinkle                      Chair  
Chuck Hamm  
Steve Haug  
Brent Olsen  
David Schrader

### **County Organization Support Committee:**

David Naranjo - SA Chair  
Brent Olsen - LPC Vice-Chair  
Brandon Nelson - LPC NAC  
Justin Quigley - LPC CAC  
Wendy Hewitt - LPC SAC

**Social Media Committee:**

John Ferrero           Chair  
Eduardo Flores  
Rachel (Matt) Johnson  
Angela McArdle  
Kalish Morrow  
Avens O'Brien  
David Schrader

**Style Committee:**

Joe Dehn               Chair

**Volunteer Committee:**

Paul Vallandigham   Chair  
Devin Harris  
Wendy Hewitt  
Kevin Moore  
Jillian Olsen

**Website Committee:**

Nick Smith            Chair  
Rick Dawson  
Justin Emsoff  
Tim Ferreira

• **Candidate Support Committee:**

- Ted Brown resigned from the CSC just before our May 6, 2019 meeting however he has agreed to still be involved in finding candidates for the 2020 conventions for which I'm grateful as he has many years' experience in doing this.
- In the past the Treasurer of this committee has been a non-voting member however there's nothing in the Bylaws or Operating Procedures Manual that states this as a requirement. Especially now that the two FPPC Committees have been merged I feel that Emily Henkel-Tilford should be a voting member. Therefore I have added her to the committee to replace the vacated seat.
- Additional volunteers to the committee are always welcome, even if they aren't voting members of the committee, so if anyone else would like to become involved please let me know.

• **Communications and Marketing Committee:**

- This committee is something I have been working on since the former Communications Director, which had been appointed by the previous Chair, resigned in June of 2018. I strongly felt that our communications and marketing for the Party should not be left to one person and thought a committee would better serve our needs.
- After discussing this with Brent Olsen, he drafted a motion to add this committee to the Operating Procedures Manual and the make-up of the committee will be a committee chair appointed by the Chair, two members appointed by the Executive Committee and two additional members, one appointed by the Website Committee and one

appointed by the Social Media Committee. This motion was approved at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting.

- I have appointed Peter Moulds to be the Chair of this Committee. Pete spent most of his career in the computer industry as an executive in marketing, sales and business development. He is now retired and holds advisory positions with several software companies. In college, before changing his major to computer science, he studied political science and since then has retained a keen interest in public policy and political ideology. Because of his extensive background in developing marketing programs for various large companies and start-ups, and his interest in better branding and marketing the Libertarian Party, I believe he is the ideal person to lead this committee.
- Two additional members of this committee will be appointed by the ExCom today and once the Website and Social Media Committees are populated they will be asked to fill the remaining two seats.
- **Convention Committee:**
  - At our February 9, 2019 Executive Committee the Los Angeles Double Tree by Hilton proposal was submitted by Thom Taylor and approved by the committee.
  - I signed the contract with the hotel on April 5, 2019.
  - I have appointed Thom Taylor as the interim Chair of this committee and will be populating the remainder of the members after reviewing the applications that have been received. The committee will consist of a total of 5 members and the committee will be asked to elect their own Chair.
  - Additional volunteers are needed for both planning the convention and running the operations during the convention. If you are interested please let me know so I can put you in contact with the committee once it's populated.
- **County Organization Support Committee:**
  - I had initially created this committee last year as an ad hoc committee with the intention of formalizing it after the convention. At that time the committee was made up of the LPC Northern and Southern Vice-Chairs and three Central Committee members, one from each area. The members were Brent Olsen, Jonathan Jaech, Brandon Nelson, Jonathan Prosser and David Naranjo with David being elected as the Chair.
  - Brent Olsen made a motion at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting to include this committee as a Standing Committee in the Operating Procedures Manual which was adopted.

- The make-up of this committee is the LPC Vice-Chair; Northern, Central and Southern Area Coordinators; and three State Central Committee members, one from each area.
- After the Convention, with the elections of LPC officers and area coordinators, I added Bill MacElroy from the Northern Area and David Naranjo was re-elected as Committee Chair.
- **Historical Preservation Committee**
  - This committee was added to the Operating Procedures Manual on 09/08/2018 and was originally and had five members appointed by the Chair.
  - I appointed Joe Dehn, William Hajdu, Gail Lightfoot, Brent Olsen and Jonathan Prosser and the committee elected Joe as the committee chair.
  - Prior to the convention Brent Olsen resigned from this committee so I am currently looking for another member to fill that vacancy.
- **IT Committee:**
  - This committee is made up of three members appointed by the Chair.
  - I do not anticipate making any changes to this committee at this time.
- **Membership Committee:**
  - This Committee is in the Operating Procedures Manual and consists of five members that are appointed by the chair.
  - There are currently five members of the committee; however both Chuck Hamm and Brent Olsen have given me their intent to resign. Therefore I will be appointing two new members to fill those seats.
  - I will be making a motion to amend the OPM regarding this committee to make it clear that the committee will elect the committee chair. Once the additional members are appointed to the committee I expect that the committee will hold an election for the chair of the committee.
- **Social Media Committee:**
  - In the past this committee has been an ad hoc committee that was appointed by the Chair, but at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting a motion was made by Brent Olsen to instead to create a Standing Committee to be added to the Operating Procedures Manual which passed.
  - In the OPM this committee is now elected by the Executive Committee with the exception of the committee chair which is appointed by the Chair.

- Brent Olsen resigned as committee chair prior to the convention and I appointed John Ferrero as the new committee chair.
- There are currently six additional members (listed above) on the committee but I have placed committee elections on the agenda, so these members may change.
- Of the existing members, Rachel (Matt) Johnson, Kalish Morrow and Angela McArdle have expressed interest in remaining on the committee. Other members may wish to also be considered but haven't reached out to me directly
- **Style Committee:**
  - Per the Bylaws the Chair may appoint no more than five members to this committee. Currently the only member of this committee is Joe Dehn and I will be looking for a minimum of two other members.
- **Volunteer Committee:**
  - This was originally an ad hoc committee that I instituted at the June 2018 ExCom meeting. At that time I appointed Paul Vallandigham as Chair.
  - At the 2/9/18 ExCom meeting a motion was made to add this as a Standing Committee in the Operating Procedures Manual which passed. In the motion it states that the Chair shall appoint all five members within 14 days of the convention.
  - Brent Olsen resigned from the committee prior to the convention leaving two openings on the committee.
  - Immediately after the conclusion of the convention I appointed Jillian Olsen and Kevin Moore to fill the vacant seats so all five seats are now populated.
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- **Website Committee:**
  - There are currently only four members of this committee as the additional members had resigned prior to the convention.
  - At the Post-Convention ExCom meeting a motion was made to amend the standing committee in the Operating Procedures Manual to require there be five members of this committee.
  - I will be filling the remaining seat on the committee after all applications have been received from those wishing to be part of the committee.

We currently have an application online for all LPC Committees so if you are interested in getting involved in any of the standing or ad hoc committees please fill go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Committee-Volunteer>.

In addition to the above committees, I am creating an ad hoc committee for the State Fair which will be held in Sacramento, July 12-28, 2019. Mark Hinkle has been involved in this outreach opportunity many times and he will be the Chair of this committee. In addition Emily Tilford and Barbara Engelhardt have volunteered to be involved and I will be looking for 2 more people.

### **Libertarian Party of California Judicial Committee Appeal**

At the recent Convention, on Sunday, April 7, 2019, the delegates voted to delete the Libertarian Party of California's Platform. After failing to get the votes to adopt the National Platform, the Party was left with no Platform.

On May 11, 2019 eight Central Committee Members filed an appeal with the Judicial Committee to overturn the actions of the delegates at convention and reinstate the previously approved Platform (the full text of the appeal, as authored by Caryn Ann Harols is included below). The seven members that are appealing this action are Mark Hinkle, Gail Lightfoot, Jonathan Jaech, Mark Herd, Jennifer and Robert Imhoff, Starchild and Ted Brown.

The three people specifically mentioned in the appeal are; Platform Committee Chair, John David Ward; Convention Chair, Mimi Robson; and Convention Parliamentarian, Alicia Mattson. We are now awaiting further instructions on how the proceedings will be handled by the Judicial Committee.

In Liberty,

Honor "Mimi" Robson  
Chair  
Libertarian Party of California

## APPEAL TO JUDICIAL COMMITTEE REGARDING BYLAWS, CONVENTION RULES, AND MEMBER RIGHT'S VIOLATIONS DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE PLATFORM COMMITTEE REPORT AT 2019 LPCA ANNUAL CONVENTION

It is fortunate that the 2019 LPC convention was recorded so that reliance on faulty memories can be minimized; thus providing two sources to examine to determine if any errors during the Platform Committee report deliberations were merely *pro forma*, causing concern, but not rising to the level of fundamental rights, or whether they were of such a nature to go against the very principles of the party and its governance structure.

### BACKGROUND

#### Governance Structure

The LPCA, writ large, is organized as a deliberative assembly under a set of bylaws and a parliamentary authority.<sup>i</sup> The principles underlying parliamentary law, as specified by RONR, are in place to balance the rights of multiple subgroups within the organization. This includes protecting the rights of the majority as well as the rights of the individual members and any minority views. However, RONR takes care to note that protection of a strong minority (*i.e.*, more than one-third) is the type of minority that is particularly in view.<sup>ii</sup>

#### PARTY PRINCIPLES

In speaking of principles, we are not referring to the broader Statement of Principles that guide public policy positions but of the spirit behind them which is protection of the rights of the individual and the fundamental sense of fairness that arises from this position as exemplified by various positions the state affiliates and the national party have taken over the years. And one thing is certain, any irregularity in voting protocol that prejudices or potentially censors a less powerful voice, is met with reproach; regardless of the letter of the law.<sup>iii</sup> Libertarians have a keen sense of justice, equity, and a level playing field, and take great pains to never appear as practicing what they condemn, being rightly suspicious of sleek lawyerly “explanations” that merely perfume the skunk.

#### RECORDINGS

The area of dispute involved the Platform Committee deliberations. The recording may be found here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=1&v=uSQRLlgSihs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=uSQRLlgSihs) with the specific relevant portion beginning at timestamp 2:18:00.

### SPECIFIC VIOLATIONS INVOLVING FUNDAMENTAL MEMBER RIGHTS

#### MASS DELETION/MASS ADOPTION OF PLATFORM PLANKS

The Platform Committee chair (PCC) stated the committee's recommendations to revise the platform in two inter-related steps: delete the entire existing platform in one vote and then adopt the entire national platform in one

vote. At timestamp 2:20:00 the PCC moved to delete the entire existing platform. This is a clear violation of both the party convention rules and RONR. The applicable sections are reproduced below (additional emphasis added).

**Rule 8: Platform Committee**

The Chair of the Platform Committee shall report the Committee's recommendations to the floor, **plank by plank**. The delegates shall vote **on each recommendation separately**. After the delegates have debated and voted on all of the Committee's recommendations, if time permits, any delegate may propose new planks or additional amendments from the floor, which the delegates shall vote on separately.

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**RONR, page 277 beginning at line 34 through page 278, line 1) from the section on "Consideration by Paragraph"**

In adopting a set of bylaws or the articles of a platform, consideration by paragraph is the normal and advisable procedure, **followed as a matter of course unless the assembly votes to do otherwise**.

While the party convention rules are suspendable and would supersede RONR, they were not, in fact, suspended—to put it bluntly they were ignored. *The body as a matter of right is entitled to consider all proposals plank by plank which is obviously a sanction against mass adoptions or deletions.* The chair advised the PCC of the procedure to move the recommendations and advised the assembly of the voting threshold required but did not advise of the existence of this convention rule, not through any mal-intent, but through honest mistake.

There was vibrant opposition to this proposal, certainly more than a strong minority as defined by RONR, and much of the discussion revolved around the fact that there should be planks retained that are specific to California as required by Bylaw 20; thus indicating a clear desire to consider the report plank by plank and demonstrating an ignorance of their right to this as a matter of course, trusting the direction of the chair, parliamentarian, and the PCC. Beginning at timestamp 2:30:40, a delegate referenced "our procedure" as consideration by plank and asked that this course be followed. This should have been taken as a point of order at that time. Member rights should not be prejudiced because they do not know the technical lingo of parliamentary law. Additionally, at approximately 2:37:35, a delegate noted that a mass approval would be an end-run around past failures to achieve a 2/3 consensus on issues such as the death penalty, implicitly arguing the impropriety of considerations en masse.

A point of order (beginning at 3:10:20 and following) was also raised on both the mass deletion and mass adoption votes citing the above section of RONR, and the chair was advised by the parliamentarian that the method of consideration by paragraph was *optional* (interpreting "advisable" as available but not *obligatory*) but RONR clearly states it is a matter of course UNLESS the body votes to do otherwise, which it did not. There was never a proper ruling on this point of order so there was no opportunity for appeal, and this point of order was miscast by the parliamentarian as a point of parliamentary inquiry on a theoretical situation contrary to fact, that is, an affirmative action requesting consideration by paragraph must have preceded the point of order which of course did not happen. However, that is contrary to RONR which clearly states that consideration by paragraph in this instance is the default without any affirmative motion by the assembly required. In fact, an affirmative motion would be required to *wave* consideration by paragraph. The whole process was turned on its head, and the member raising the point of order requested independent parliamentary assistance and was denied.

## POINT OF INQUIRY INCORRECTLY ANSWERED

Beginning at 3:09:00 a delegate asked if the assembly failed to adopt a new platform whether a motion to reconsider would be in order and was improperly told no because the motion made by the PCC did not make deletion of the platform conditional upon adoption of a new one. However, that conditionality is not required for a motion to reconsider which can be made by any qualified delegate for any reason. This instruction was later correctly stated, but the prejudice was already incurred, and the delegates were worn out.

## VOTING RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

Voting on the mass plank deletion began at 2:40:50 by a rising vote with the chair informally counting the numbers at 36-32. A formal counted vote/division was then demanded. Beginning at 2:46:10, **the chair informed the delegates that only the delegates that voted previously could participate and that everyone must vote the same way they previously voted.**

This is, however, incorrect and fatally so, though affirmed by the parliamentarian. Division of the Assembly is dealt with in RONR pages 280-282. First, when division was called for, the intention of the member doing so was improperly cast by another member as saying "he thinks you counted wrong" (see timestamp 2:45:00) though the member said no such thing, and that is not the only reason for division, particularly in a close vote. For example, a chair may call for a rising vote *sua sponte* after a show of hands (or voice vote) if she feels the vote is "unrepresentative," *i.e.* members held back from voting or might not have properly considered their vote. The fact that a member can change their vote is presumed throughout this section, such as in this sentence, "*The rising vote may be more effective in causing a maximum number of members to vote.*" Precluding members from changing their vote on such a tight margin is a fatal error, and it is known to the authors that at least one member would have changed their vote from "aye" to "nay" because they did not want such a tight margin on a momentous vote that would cause bitterness in the body.

However, *assuming arguendo*, that the above error did not exist, the process was still fatally flawed. The counted rising vote resulted in a count of 37-27 with the chair observing that "more people voted last time" (see timestamp 2:49:46) which means that everyone who voted previously did not vote in the second count as instructed. The chair noted that she might have incorrectly counted people in the back of the room during the first vote, but that is highly unlikely as explicit instructions were given to "cop a squat" (see timestamp 2:40:25) during that vote so that no illegitimate votes would be counted and this was instruction enforced by the chair. Clearly votes were changed, and the disparity is not within the reasonable margin of error for a group of this size.

Additionally, the majority vote threshold can reasonably be determined to be improper according to the obvious intent of Bylaw 20 which provides that the substitution of a plank for another requires "*a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates.*" Despite the fact that this was recommended to be done in two steps rather than one, the whole discussion was framed in both the floor debate and the Platform Committee report as deleting one platform (comprising many planks) and substituting with another. The bylaws are rendered absurd if one could merely bundle more than one plank to subvert this requirement obviously intended to protect the minority (and the platform itself).

## PARTICIPATION BY PARLIAMENTARIAN

The parliamentarian improperly voted for the mass platform deletion (see RONR page 467, lines 8-12: *A member of an assembly who acts as a parliamentarian has the same duty as the presiding officer to maintain a position of*

*impartiality, and therefore does not make motions, participate in debate, or vote on any questions except in the case of a ballot vote.*) When this point of order was raised, the parliamentarian improperly stated that this was not the case (without citing anything from RONR as justification), but there is a clear conflict of interest to have the person being challenged also being the person to advise the chair as to whether that challenge is correct. The parliamentarian later conceded the point when the passage in RONR was read aloud.<sup>iv</sup>

## IMPROPER MOTION TO ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn was treated as a privileged motion to adjourn, i.e. non-debatable, non-amendable, and able to interrupt a pending question. However, the motion to adjourn should have been treated in its unprivileged form as there is no allowance for a privileged motion to adjourn on the last meeting of a convention (*see* RONR page 234, lines 18-21). There were pending points of order at the time (not parliamentary inquiries as stated by the parliamentarian) and debate may have changed votes.

## QUORUM ISSUES<sup>v</sup>

Beginning at timestamp 2:43:00 the issue of quorum was raised with the number of 69 being fixed as the quorum. This challenge to quorum was done as a result of the counted vote, and if that count is correct, quorum was not present, and if that count is not correct because people left, changed their vote etc., the re-count was invalid and still in question. Further, the chair and the parliamentarian were counted in quorum yet they are not members present in order to determine quorum as those are defined as persons entitled to make motions, to speak in debate, and to vote (*see* RONR pages 3 and 345), which are not rights that those two individuals possessed. In the first vote, the number of votes totaled 68 which is one less than quorum but since the chair did not vote, she was added to that total to barely make quorum at 69. Further, one member expressly abstained (no others claimed so) so that quorum was noted to have been exceeded by one with a total of 70. However, neither the chair nor the parliamentarian should have been counted, making the assembly at less than quorum at 68 (*further see* footnote 6).

Further the subsequent voting on the adoption of the national platform was illegitimate as there was not a sufficient number of delegates present to satisfy the requirement in Bylaw 20 as follows:

The delegates, by a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates, may add a new plank, or substitute a new plank for an old plank.

Although all votes on this failed, they should not have been allowed to begin with, and if so, it is highly likely that a member would have brought a proper motion to reconsider but was prejudiced by this delay and diversion.

## IDEOLOGICAL AGENDA

When there are points of ideology at issue (rather than strictly pragmatic concerns about presentation, length, clarity, etc.) it is essential that these points be out in the open and not cloaked as mere pragmatism. At least one platform committee member clearly stated that the ultimate reason for the deletion was the hardline stance taken by the platform which may hobble candidates who wish to take softer positions (*i.e.*, advocate for the initiation of physical force).

## LACK OF TRANSPARENCY/AMBUSH

It is noted that although the bylaws do not require any previous notice of platform recommendations or amendments while it does for bylaws, it would have been relatively simple to provide the same notice. On the party website, the complete Bylaws Committee report is easily accessed but the Platform Committee report is not to be found and multiple members complained of ambush. For such a drastic change, it would seem that this would have been prudent. Additionally, there were no public notices of the committee meetings thereby depriving interested members of the opportunity to offer input and perhaps influence the committee members in a different direction.

## POWER IMBALANCE

There is a general flaw party-wide in assuming that every delegate is knowledgeable in RONR and the party bylaws (which is never the case), placing the board and committees in a superior position of power. Every attempt should be made by same to inform the delegates of their rights to reach a just result.

## THE PARTY BYLAWS REQUIRE A PLATFORM

The relevant bylaw is quoted below:

### **Bylaw 20: Platform**

#### **Section 1**

The Party Platform shall consist of a number of planks which state the Party position on specific state and national issues.

The Platform may be amended by deletion, substitution, or addition of any plank at any Party convention. The delegates may, by majority vote, delete a plank. The delegates, by a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates, may add a new plank, or substitute a new plank for an old plank.

It was argued that this article does not actually *require* a platform but merely describes what it will comprise *if it exists*. Note, however, the obligatory “shall” is used rather than the permissive “may.” Without compelling external reasons, the word “shall” imposes mandatory requirements or duties.<sup>vi</sup> This intent is made clear by the second paragraph of this section which uses the permissive “may” to describe amendments and deletions. While it is possible to interpret this bylaw in the permissive manner suggested (*i.e.* a requirement only if a platform exists)<sup>vii</sup>, this is contradicted by the fact that the absence of a Platform would render the following provisions absurd and unintelligible<sup>viii</sup> (additional emphasis added):

### **Bylaw 2: Purpose (2/3 required to amend)**

The Party exists to uphold, promote, and disseminate the philosophy and principles of libertarianism. To that end, it shall proclaim and implement the Statement of Principles of the national Libertarian Party by engaging in political and informational activities in California.

The Party **shall** do so by:

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F. Preparing a statewide political environment to enhance the election of Party candidates pledged to the Statement of Principles for the singular purpose of abolishing statist law, and restoring civil and economic liberty and property rights as proclaimed in the Principles and defined in the **Platform**;

#### **Bylaw 10: Officers**

##### **Section 5**

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The Secretary shall cause the **most recently adopted Platform**, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.

#### **Bylaw 21: Program**

##### **Section 1**

The Party Program shall consist of up to five planks which state interim measures and practical policies, designed to implement the Party position on issues of interest to California. The Program shall not conflict with the Statement of Principles or the **Platform**.

## **RELIEF REQUESTED BY PETITIONERS/APPELLANTS**

In this instance, there is no action that cannot be unwound and done properly and the rights violations are numerous, clear, and grievous. The result might be the same, but surely everyone wants things done cleanly. Therefore, we the undersigned maintain that the only equitable solution is to declare the entire platform voting portion of the 2019 convention null and void, leaving the convention delegates free to re-consider the issue cleanly at the 2020 convention if they so desire. Additionally, we hold that the process should be restarted with another platform committee (comprising the same or different members) operating in a transparent manner that actively seeks input and collaboration from party members.

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<sup>i</sup> The 2018 bylaws are located at <https://tinyurl.com/lpcabylaws> with appended convention rules that would function as special rules of order. There is no party constitution. The current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* (RONR) is specified by Bylaw 28 to be the current parliamentary authority.

<sup>ii</sup> See RONR, page li.

<sup>iii</sup> Laws can immoral, and rules can be unjust. A prime example would be the attempted excision of parts of the Statement of Principles at the 2008 national convention during what was described as "slick parliamentary maneuvering" that blatantly went against the spirit and intent of the subject bylaws. Many persons who supported the amendments opposed the strategy on grounds of sheer intuition that this was a dirty trick, no matter what technical justifications could be mustered. This sense is compounded when there is a clear opportunity for a "clean redo." Procedures should not be a "gotcha" and controversial decisions should be as free from the appearance of inequity as possible for the peace of the order. The 2006 national convention is another unfortunate example. The sense that things were not done fairly caused a major rift in the party that persists to this day.

<sup>iv</sup> It was noted that there was no harm done in the prior improper votes as the parliamentarian was not the deciding vote. This, however, ignores the possibility that members looked to her as a source of authority to guide their own votes. One cannot be both judge and jury.

<sup>v</sup> No verification was done regarding the correctness of the number of 69 as the quorum from earlier in the day but has been assumed herein to be correct. Conflicting statements on quorum were made (see timestamp 3:38:30 for example) so it is unclear whether 69 or 69+1 was the quorum.

<sup>vi</sup> There are some court cases in which “shall” has been interpreted as interchangeable with “may” but these were under certain unique circumstances, to wit (emphasis added), “As used in statutes and similar instruments, this word is generally imperative or mandatory; but it may be construed as merely permissive or directory, (as equivalent to “may,”) to carry out the legislative intention and in cases where no right or benefit to any one depends on its being taken in the imperative sense, and **where no public or private right is impaired by its interpretation in the other sense.**” [https://thelawdictionary.org/shall/] The ideological stances of the party certainly are a matter of member rights.

Additionally, this distinction was noted in a discussion on employment contracts and notice required for termination (emphasis added): “The reason for this result is the use of the word ‘may’ in the first sentence. It is a drafting trick. In both the law and common usage, the word ‘may’ means the same as ‘may or may not.’ Its nature is ‘permissive,’ not ‘mandatory.’ It permits an action to be taken, but does not require it. It imposes no obligation whatsoever. It is synonymous with ‘is permitted to.’ It does not mean ‘is required to.’ It would be an entirely different matter if the first sentence said ‘You or the Bank SHALL end your employment relationship . . .’ or ‘You and the Bank WILL,’ or ‘You and the Bank MUST.’ **‘Shall,’ ‘will’ and ‘must’ are not ‘permissive,’ but rather ‘mandatory’ in nature. They impose obligations, and are synonymous with ‘are required to.’**” [https://skloverworkingwisdom.com/dont-be-fooled-by-the-may-shall-trick/]

While RONR does not deal with the differences between “shall” and “may” (it is not a dictionary after all), in its discussion on content and composition of bylaws beginning on page 570 uses the word “shall” and “may” in the mandatory and permissive senses respectively.

<sup>vii</sup> If the term “shall” should be interpreted to mean what the platform will contain IF it exists, then also, for consistency’s sake Bylaw 10 (Officers) should be interpreted to describe *potential positions* with no requirements that *there actually be* any officers.

<sup>viii</sup> A reading of the entirety of the bylaws is instructive as it very carefully uses the terms “shall” and “may” to distinguish mandatory items from permissive ones.

# Vice-Chair's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/10/2019

**Northern Vice Chair:** K. Brent Olsen, Psy.D.

## Vice Chair Purpose, per Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of California

### *Section 4*

*The Vice-Chair shall act as an assistant to the Chair, performing such duties as the Chair shall prescribe, shall perform the duties of the Chair in the event that the Chair is, for any reason, unable to perform the duties of the office.*

### **Mission Statement**

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*My mission as Vice Chair is to work to accomplish my five-point plan:*

- 1) Speak no evil of a fellow Libertarian*
- 2) All politics is local*
- 3) Combine the wisdom of the elders with the energy of the youth.*
- 4) Money is the life blood of politics*
- 5) Registered Libertarians are key*

### **Executive Overview**

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- The week following the convention I participated in being recorded in a podcast video for the Libertarian Party of Kern County, along with Kevin Shaw (Vice Chair of LPLAC), Robert Foster (Vice Chair of LP of Kern County), and other Libertarians in Kern County. The video link has not yet become available.
- The Volunteer Committee developed an application using SurveyMonkey to have volunteers apply for committees which they are interested in filling. A link to this application has become available on the website, on Facebook, and was in an email Message from the Chair which was sent out to all members of the Party.
- The Operating Procedures Manual was updated to include the following Standing Committees: Social Media Committee, Communications and Marketing Committee, Awards Committee, Convention Oversight Committee, and the County Organization Support Committee.

# Northern Area Coordinator's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/6/2019

**Northern Area Coordinator:** Brandon Nelson

## **Northern Area Coordinator Purpose, per Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of California**

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- Bylaw 12, Section 1B: Three Area Coordinators. The Northern Area Coordinator shall be affiliated in a county in the northern area of the state. (T)he northern area shall be the 31 counties that begin north of the central boundaries. Each Area Coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating activities in their respective area of the state and shall be elected by the delegates from that area for two-year terms.
- Bylaw 9, Section 4: The appropriate Area Coordinator may appoint a county Chair Pro Tem for any county in which there is no active county organization. It shall be the responsibility of said Chair Pro Tem to promote the development of a county organization within that county.

## **Mission Statement**

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*My mission as the Northern Area Coordinator is to locate individuals able and willing to serve as Chair Pro Tem for their respective counties and to assist them in organizing sustainable local party affiliates in those counties who are active and engaged in promoting and building the Libertarian Party locally, as well as promoting and recruiting Libertarian candidates in those areas.*

## **Executive Overview**

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- At the beginning of my term as Northern Area Coordinator, we started with 13 of the 33 Northern Counties having fully organized affiliates. We now have 13 fully affiliated and active party organizations in the northern 33 counties. These are: Alameda, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Stanislaus, Tulare, and Yolo.
- In addition my predecessor had appointed all 5 of the current Chair Pro Tems that have not yet met the qualifications for affiliation. These are: Butte, Del Norte, Humboldt, Marin, and Mendocino. I do not intend to replace his appointments.

- Of the Northern 33 counties, 14 have no appointed Chair Pro Tem and are not organized. These are: Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Lassen, Modoc, Napa, Nevada, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, and Yuba.
- Since my election last month, I have found a potential candidate and Pro-Tem in Lake County, and am in talks with him hoping to make this happen as well as gather more information about his candidacy for 2020.

#### Requests for Clarification:

- Request clarification regarding how myself and the other 2 Area Coordinators can access our annual budget (\$2,000/per area for the 2019 budget) and what are considered appropriate expenditures (such as literature for counties, mailers, events, gas/travel to reach remote parts of Area, etc.). I want to make sure that the Area Coordinators are able to access these funds as necessary (and how we can do so), as well as ensure that we do so within whatever guidelines may be established.

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# Southern Area Coordinator Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Southern Area Coordinator:** Wendy Hewitt

## **Southern Vice Chair Report Q2 2019**

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Since the election in April I have sent out an email or have called all my county Chairs. San Diego County is doing good. They have got a cool Libertarian podcast that Joseph De Paul does once a week. They seem to be growing in their county little by little. I have started calling registered Libertarians in the Imperial county area. It's going to take some time to get a group together. L.A. county is growing. They have someone running for L.A. city council right now. Jay Beeber he helped end the red light programs throughout California. He could always use some extra help door knocking or passing out flyers. I spoke with the newly elected Chair of San Bernardino County, Jena Hill. She is happy to become more involved with the Libertarian party. I'm hoping to get to meet her soon at one of their meetings. I also want to give a shout out to Victor Valley Libertarian Alliance group they have an essay contest every year for the high school in their area and they will be giving out a \$1000 scholarship to the winner of that contest on May the 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marie Callender's in Victorville. Orange County seems to be doing good. They have two meeting places. One in Huntington Beach and the other in Fullerton. David Naranjo is doing a lot right now. Not only is he the chair of Orange county but he is also the chair of the County affiliate support committee. I'm looking forward to attending some of their meetings. Now for my own county Riverside. Riverside county is doing great. We are defiantly growing. Our chair Vincent Puccio is hoping to start another meet up group in the low dessert area near Palm Springs. We also have someone running for City council in Palm Springs Scott Myer. Our Outreach Director Ricky Estrada has been doing a great job going to colleges and universities to round up more people. Ricky is also going to be running for city council in Sun City in 2020. We are also hoping to get another meet up going in down town Riverside hopefully in the near future.

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# Secretary's Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Southern Area Coordinator:** Paul K. Vallandigham

## LPC Minutes

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**The following is the status of LPC Minutes since last reported at the Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2019 in Long Beach:**

- April 7, 2019 Executive Committee Minutes – Draft minutes were distributed by Secretary Vallandigham via email at 11:25pm on April 28, 2019. Suggested corrections were made by Member Shaw at 11:53pm on April 28, 2019. Discussion ensued. At 7:26am on April 29, 2019, a motion to approve the April 7, 2019 minutes draft version was made by Vice Chair Olsen. At 6:35am on April 30, 2019, having seen no second to Vice Chair Olsen's motion, Secretary Vallandigham made a motion to approve a revised version of the April 7, 2019 minutes that included corrections suggested during discussion, seconded by Vice Chair Olsen at 7:43am on April 30, 2019. Voting on the seconded motion commenced at 8:15pm on April 30, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 8:15pm on May 2, 2019 as follows:
  - **Voting Yes:** Honor "Mimi" Robson, Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Rick Dawson, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Boomer Shannon, Kevin Shaw, Joshua Smith
  - **Voting No:** none
  - **Expressed Abstentions:** Wendy Hewitt, Chuck Hamm
  - **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley

**With a final tally of 12-0-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with a greater than a supermajority.**

Alternates Jillian Olsen and Devin Harris both voted "Yes", but their votes did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

## LPC Email Motions

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**The following is the status of LPC Email Motions since last reported at the Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2019 in Long Beach:**

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Nelson, to amend the end of the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

**Except where otherwise indicated per the Bylaws, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to remove any member appointed by the Party Chair to any Standing Committee with a 2/3 supermajority vote of all members of the Executive Committee.**

- A. Voting commenced at 5:05pm on April 12, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 5:05pm on April 17, 2019 as follows:
  - **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Jillian Olsen, Devin Harris
  - **Voting No:** Rebecca Lau, Kevin Shaw, Joshua Smith
  - **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson

**With a final tally of 11-3-1 at the end of the 120-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a simple majority.**

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

County Organization Support Committee

This Committee shall be made up of seven members: the Vice Chair, the three Area Coordinators, and three members to be selected by the Chair, including one who is affiliated with a county in the Southern Area, one who is affiliated with a county in the Central Area, and one who is affiliated with a county in the Northern Area. This committee shall be responsible for providing the county **affiliates central committees** support in growing and developing a sustainable process and also in providing the appointed Chair Pro Tems support in organizing their **county organizations affiliates**, and the Area Coordinators support in finding suitable candidates to be appointed Chair Pro Tem.

- B. Voting commenced at 3:03pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 3:03pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:
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    - **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
    - **Voting No:** Brandon Nelson, Kevin Shaw
    - **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
    - **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 10-2-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

#### Candidate Support Committee

Per Bvlaw 16 the LPC shall establish at least one campaign fund which funds shall be allocated to candidates of the Libertarian Party. therefore The Libertarian Party of California Candidate Support Committee (LPC CSC) shall be formed to raise money to support qualified Libertarian candidates in California and /or support campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy. (07/20/2006)

The Treasurer of this Committee shall not be an officer of the LPC. shall serve a term contemporaneous with the term of the Treasurer of the LPC, and shall be the Assistant Treasurer of the LPC FPPC Committee. (02/09/2019)

The members of the LPC CSC and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair. The Candidate Support Committee shall consist of ~~five~~ **seven** members. (04/07/2019)

The Candidate Support Committee shall be charged with:

- 1) Determining which non-federal candidates to support
- 2) Review the unrestricted account records for accuracy and assist the LPC's treasurer with timely filing of Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) reports (02/09/2019)

D. Voting commenced at 4:04pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 4:04pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:

- **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
- **Voting No:** Kevin Shaw
- **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
- **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 11-1-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

#### Convention Oversight Committee

On matters concerning the Party's **annual convention** ~~conventions~~, the committee shall plan and manage the Party's upcoming convention, including the following tasks:

- conveying requirements to convention planners.
- ensuring the convention meets the Party's needs.
- reviewing and approving in a timely manner major elements such as the convention program.

The committee shall periodically report its decisions and actions to the Executive Committee. The committee shall consist of five members appointed by the **Party** Chair, including a committee Chair selected by the Party Chair. The committee may begin its work as soon as its members are appointed.

E. Voting commenced at 4:10pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 4:10pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:

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- **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
- **Voting No:** Kevin Shaw
- **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
- **Abstentions** (did not vote): Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 11-1-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

### LPC Bylaws

**The following is the status of LPC Bylaws amended during the LPC convention held April 6-7, 2019 at Concord, CA:**

- The LPC Bylaws as amended in convention have been updated to reflect the changes made, however have not been posted to the website yet. They will be posted once the Convention Minutes have been approved.

## LPC County Bylaws

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### Bylaw 10: Officers

#### Section 5

The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.

- Per the Bylaws, it is the Secretary's responsibility that the most current California Libertarian Party Bylaws as well as the Bylaws of each County Affiliate to be posted to the State website.

I will be attempting to collect current County LPC Bylaws and County LPC officer information from each affiliated county organization during the coming year. Results may vary depending on the level of cooperation of participants in this effort. I will be sending a notice to each county organization requesting:

- 1) Information and records verifying their most recent County election, including date of election along names and current physical addresses, email addresses and phone numbers of all officers elected
- 2) An electronic copy of their most recent County Bylaws
- 3) Verification of which officer(s) they choose to designate as their contact for communication with the Volunteer Committee

## Miscellaneous

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**The Secretary would like to publicly acknowledge and thank the Chair (and former Secretary) for her generous assistance over the past six weeks in helping him learn the many systems and tasks required of a person in his position.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paul K. Vallandigham, Secretary  
Libertarian Party of California

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# Treasurer's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/18/2019

**Treasurer:** Steven Haug

## **FPPC**

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The form 460 filed on April 25 was the first report that combined the activity of the LPC and the CSC. The report was started on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The 31 page report was completed the following day.

## **IRS Letters**

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In March we received two letters from the IRS pertaining to taxes due on form 941 for the first and third quarters of 2008. The total tax due is \$8,814.81 including interest on the original \$2005.50 tax for each period. Form 941 is an employers' quarterly tax return to report tax withheld from employee's paychecks. Several agents that I talked to by phone said to file a form 941 indicating we had no employees for the period. Since we have no record of ever having an employee there is no need to start filing employer tax returns. The plan is to decline to file a form 941 and ask for copies of filings that show when we had employees, identifying information of the employee(s) and who filed the original forms.

## **Dues Sharing**

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The January dues sharing payment was under budget by \$1,262.50. That leaves a budget balance of \$3,812.50. The dues sharing liability for July as of 5/11/2019 is \$6175.00. That will increase until the cutoff date of 6/30/2019.

## **Budget**

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Our income to date has come in over budget by more than \$25,000.00. Should we use a portion of these funds to promote the party?

The following files are part of this report:

Business Summary

Budget vs Actuals FY2019 YTD

Dues Share data V7 as of May 11

Income by Payment Type

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# County Org. Support Committee Report

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**Report Date:** 5/18/2019

**Committee Chair:** David Naranjo

**Members:** Bill MacElroy, Wendy Hewitt, Brandon Nelson, Kenneth Brent Olsen, Jonathan Prosser, Justin Quigley

## Committee Purpose

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- The Executive Committee of the Libertarian Party of California established the County Organization Support Committee to provide county central committees support in growing and developing sustainable processes, support Area Coordinators in finding suitable candidates to appoint as county chairs pro tem, and provide appointed county chairs pro tem support in organizing their county organizations.

## Mission Statement

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*The mission of the County Organization Support Committee is to foster coordination and cooperation among county organizations and to provide the necessary support and resources so that those organizations can grow and be maintained.*

## Executive Overview

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- The organizing meeting of the new committee was held on May 2, 2019. All committee members were in attendance.
- The committee re-elected Committee Chair, David Naranjo.
- Members reaffirmed the Mission Statement that the previous committee adopted.
- Members reaffirmed the objectives that the previous committee adopted:
  - Identify and understand what affiliates need and provide them with useful resources and guidance, and
  - Develop best practices that affiliates can follow to effectively run and grow their organizations.
- *The committee members disagreed with the changing of this committee's name and unanimously moved to ask the LPC Executive Committee to change this committee's name back to "Affiliate Support Committee."*
- The committee reviewed and discussed the results of the survey, which had previously been sent out to all County Executive Committees (see attached Survey Results). Based on the survey results, the committee decided the following:

- To ask the Communications and Marketing Committee to develop brochures and other marketing material for county organizations to use,
- To ask the IT Committee or Website Committee, whichever is appropriate, to develop an online Repository, so that County Officers can login and access documents and other resources developed by this committee.
- In addition, based on the survey results, the committee will do the following:
  - Develop best practice guides for Chairs, Secretaries, and Treasurers;
  - Create a handbook for new county organizations;
  - Work with Area Coordinators to organize “Leadership Summits” in the different areas of the state; and
  - Create an online group for County Organization Support.
- The next County Org. Support Committee meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2019.

Submitted By:  
David Naranjo  
Committee Chair, County Org. Support Committee

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## LNC Region 4 Report

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**Report Date:** May 18, 2019

**LNC Region 4 Representative:** Jeff Hewitt

### **LNC Report for CALP ExCom Meeting May 18, 2019**

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Next LNC meeting is @ J.W. Marriott in Austin Texas on 7/27 and 7/28. This will be the sight of our 2020 National Convention May 21-25, 2020.

On Nov. 16 and 17, 2019 LNC will have a budget meeting in Miami Florida.

Last meeting was in Alexandria, Virginia on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

May 4<sup>th</sup> the National Party had a river cruise with Chris Rufer on his boat for a meet-up and fundraiser. Approximately 30 people flew in from all over the country and had a good evening. It was similar to the meet-up with Patrick Byrnes in Salt Lake City, Utah on Jan. 12.

After the Executive Director Wes Benedict resigned late last year, Lauren Daugherty stepped in as interim E D and got party from deficit to balanced budget in 3 months.

On March 25<sup>th</sup> Chair Nick Sarawak chose Daniel Fishman from over 30 qualified candidates for our new E D.

2020 theme contest in March raised \$24,007 for TANSTAAFL (There ain't no such thing as a free lunch) beating out "Ancapistan". Thanks to Daniel Hays.

As of today, 32 states have ballot access with a lot of work to secure the other 18.

Texas legislature did not pass horrible law that would have made access twice as difficult.

Announced Presidential candidates include; Adam Kokesh, Arvin Vohra, Ben Leder, Kim Ruff, Vermin Supreme, Dan Berman, and many more unknown candidates.

Jeff Hewitt Region 4 Representative LNC

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# Candidate Support Committee Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Appointed by the Chair per the LPC Bylaws and Operating Procedures Manual**

**Committee Chair:** Mimi Robson

**Treasurer:** Emily Henkel-Tilford

**Secretary:** Angela McArdle

**Members:** Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle and Brent Olsen

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## Candidate Support Committee Purpose

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### **Bylaw 16: Campaign Financing**

The Executive Committee shall establish one or more Party campaign funds from which funds may be allocated to candidates of the Party. Such funds shall be independent of any campaign funds maintained by County Central Committees or other committees of the Party. The Campaign Committee shall have the discretion to allocate campaign funds among the various candidates. The campaign fund may also be used to support Party campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy.

### **Operating Procedures Manual**

#### **Candidate Support Committee**

Per Bylaw 16 the LPC shall establish at least one campaign fund which funds shall be allocated to candidates of the Libertarian Party, therefore The Libertarian Party of California Candidate Support Committee (LPC CSC) shall be formed to raise money to support qualified Libertarian candidates in California and/or support campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy. (07/20/2006)

The Treasurer of this Committee shall not be an officer of the LPC, shall serve a term contemporaneous with the term of the Treasurer of the LPC, and shall be the Assistant Treasurer of the LPC FPPC Committee. (02/09/2019)

The members of the LPC CSC and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair. The Candidate Support Committee shall consist of seven members. (04/15/2019)

The Candidate Support Committee shall be charged with:

- 1) Determining which non-federal candidates to support
- 2) Review the unrestricted account records for accuracy and assist the LPC's treasurer with timely filing of Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) reports (02/09/2019)

## Mission Statement

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*Promoting registered Libertarians who pledge to proclaim and implement the Statement of Principles of the Libertarian Party of California as candidates for public office in California; to that end the Candidate Support Committee shall raise money throughout the year to support our candidates and help elect Libertarians to public office.*

## Committee Goals

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The Candidate Support Committee has been working on realistic goals to help promote both the Candidates and the Libertarian Party itself. We have been working on developing strategies to reach out to members and donors to become monthly donors; this will insure a consistent revenue stream. We have also been working to plan and execute fundraising events which include dinners and online campaigns.

## Executive Overview

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The Banquet at the Convention this year raised over \$8,000 for the Candidate Support Committee, bringing the current balance in the account to 18,831.93. We are now getting \$273 per month in reoccurring donations which brings us to \$3,276 annually, however I'm hoping we can increase this and the committee plans to do additional outreach to increase the number of monthly donors. If you haven't already done so, please consider giving at least \$5 per month.

Jay Beeber is running for Los Angeles City Council and is on the June 4<sup>th</sup> ballot. He was able to raise over \$20,000 dollars which meant he got matching funds from the City of Los Angeles of six times that amount giving him more than \$140,000 in his campaign account. He's received endorsements by The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, the John and Ken Show (KFI radio), and others. Tim Ferreira and Angela McArdle have taken the lead on helping Jay with this campaign and are organizing volunteers. If anyone can help out please contact them for more information.

## Meeting History

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- We have held meetings on the following dates:
  - April 15, 2019, Video Conference via Zoom, with Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle, Angela McArdle, Brent Olsen, Mimi Robson and Emily Tilford (non-voting member) in attendance.
  - May 6, 2019, Video Conference via Zoom with Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle, Angela McArdle, Brent Olsen and Mimi Robson in attendance.
- Upcoming meeting: May 20, 2019 via Video Conference via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Honor "Mimi" Robson  
Chair  
Libertarian Party of California  
Candidate Support Committee

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# Volunteer Committee Report

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**Committee Chair:** Paul Vallandigham

**Members:** Wendy Hewitt  
Devin Harris  
Jillian Olsen  
Kevin Moore  
Mimi Robson, LPC Chair & Ex-Officio

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## Committee Purpose

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The purpose of the LPC Volunteer Committee is to expedite the connection of all potential activists and volunteers with local CA LP affiliates and campaigns near them in a convenient and systematic manner to grow our “army” of party members and volunteers in support of getting Libertarians elected to political office in California.

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## Committee Goals

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- 1) Insure that all inquirers/volunteers are provided with the necessary information to enable them to connect with their local affiliate and/or campaign (and notify said affiliates/campaigns that inquirers/volunteers have expressed an interest in the Libertarian Party) within 7 days or less after the committee receives initial notification of said inquiry/offer to volunteer. In support of achieving Goal #1:
- 2) Develop & maintain an accurate database of local affiliates and campaigns that includes preferred contact information/person for each affiliate and each campaign seeking volunteers within California.
- 3) Develop & maintain an accurate log/database of Committee member interactions with persons residing in California who have expressed an interest in receiving information from the Libertarian Party and/or have expressed an interest in volunteering for the Libertarian Party.

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## General Overview

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During this reporting period, all inquiries and volunteer offers have been received from the following sources:

- 1) LP National Office: [volunteers@lp.org](mailto:volunteers@lp.org); [inquiries@lp.org](mailto:inquiries@lp.org)
- 2) LPC Office: [inquiries@ca.lp.org](mailto:inquiries@ca.lp.org); [volunteers@ca.lp.org](mailto:volunteers@ca.lp.org); [Survey Monkey](#)

Composition of the Committee has changed during this reporting period, as member Kenneth Brent Olsen submitted his resignation from the committee, effective 7 Apr 2019 in anticipation of his new duties as Vice Chair and new members Jillian Olsen and Kevin Moore have come on board.

Responses to the Survey Monkey inquiry source that was created during the previous reporting period were not included in the previous report and are included in this report.

As you can see from the charts at the end of this report, during this reporting period, the committee has not only met, but exceeded its goal of responding to all inquiries within seven days or less (when factoring out the Survey Monkey data that was not delivered to the committee until well after 7 days of collection), as the maximum lag time during the period for all but one response (10 days) was 4 days or less (98% of the goal of seven days or less). Unfortunately, the rate of responses within 1 day or less has fallen from 92% during the previous reporting period to just 37% during the current reporting period (when factoring out the Survey Monkey data). The mean lag time was 1.19 days

Time did not permit updating the bar graph and line graphs in previous reports, but will be included in subsequent reports if at all possible.

### **Meeting History**

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There have been no meetings of the Volunteer Committee since the last Volunteer Committee report to the Executive Committee, written on 26 Jan 2019. The committee has, however, been processing inquiries as usual and has, in addition, created a Volunteer Application that has been posted to the website for anybody interested in volunteering for positions on the state level (e.g., standing committees). The intent of creating this application process is to provide an opportunity for more LPC members to get involved and to spread the workload (especially for committees) beyond members of the Executive Committee in order to make task completion more likely.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul K. Vallandigham, Chair

LPC Volunteer Committee

## Current Report Statistics from Google Volunteer Spreadsheet

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**Reporting Period:** 25 Jan 2019 to 8 May 2019

**Total Contacts:** 91

### **Contacts from each Source:**

**National:**

**inquiries@lp.org:** 8

**volunteers@lp.org:** 11

**LPC:**

**inquiries@ca.lp.org:** 17

**volunteers@ca.lp.org:** 17

**Survey Monkey:** 39

### **Inquiry → Response Lag Time (in days), factoring out the Survey Monkey data:**

**Minimum:** 0

**Maximum:** 10

**Mean:** 1.19

**Median:** 1

**Mode:** 1

### **Contacts by Committee Member (per GoogleSheet entries as entered by Committee Member)**

**Devin Harris:** 47

**Wendy Hewitt:** 27

**Paul Vallandigham:** 13

**Jillian Olsen:** 0 (recently joined)

**Kevin Moore:** 0 (recently joined)

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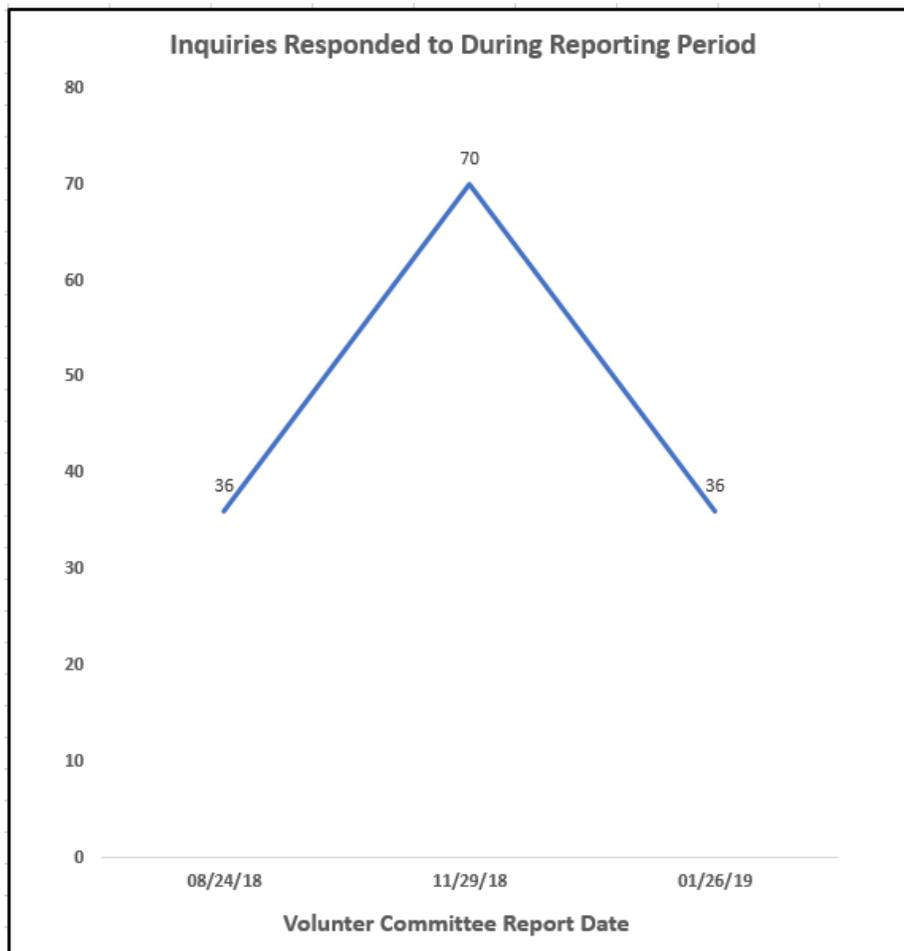
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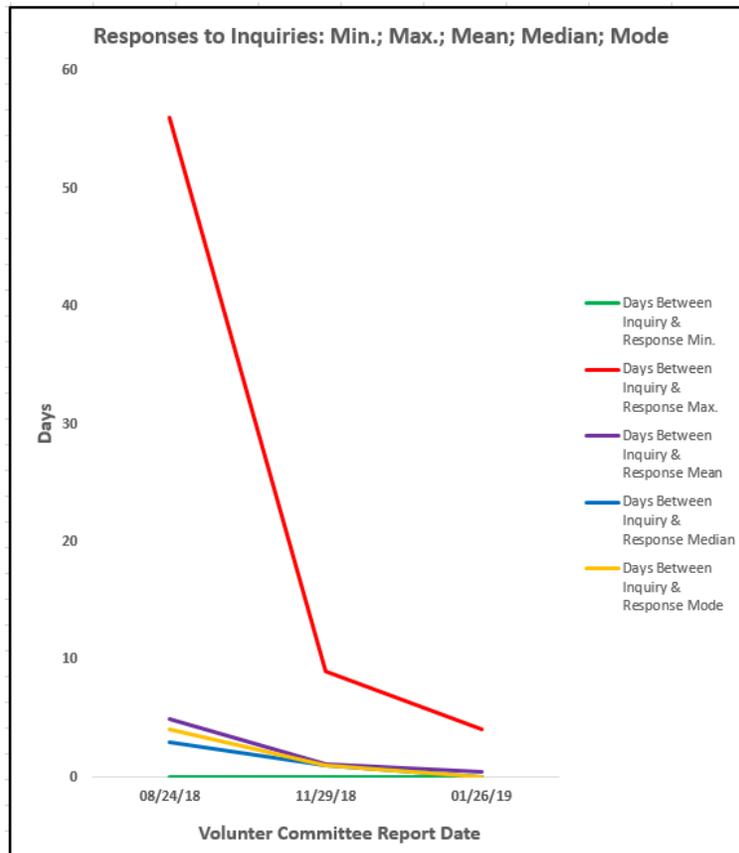
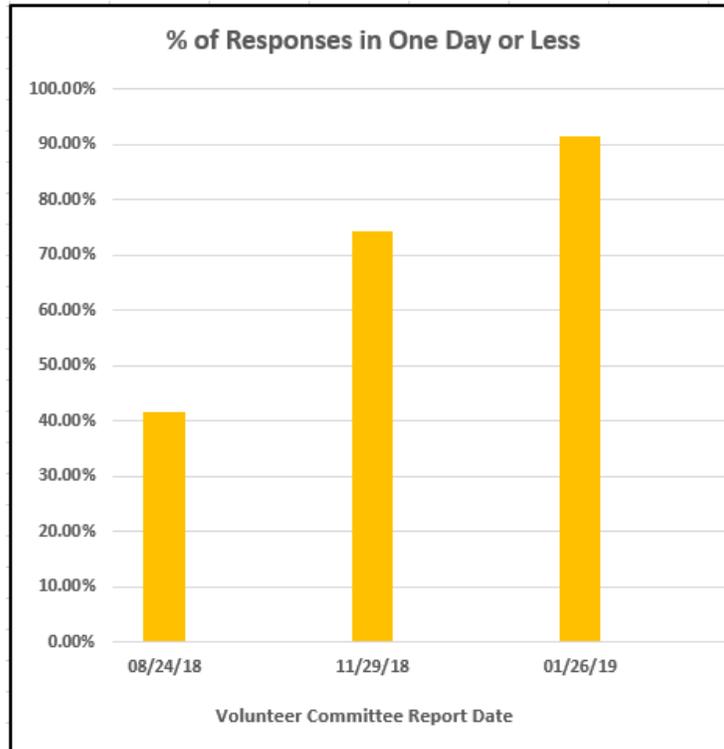
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<b>Amador:</b>	<b>Mendocino:</b>	<b>Santa Clara:</b> 7
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<b>Contra Costa:</b> 5	<b>Monterey:</b>	<b>Siskiyou:</b>
<b>Del Norte:</b>	<b>Napa:</b>	<b>Solano:</b>
<b>El Dorado:</b> 1	<b>Nevada:</b>	<b>Sonoma:</b> 5
<b>Fresno:</b>	<b>Orange:</b> 8	<b>Stanislaus:</b> 1
<b>Glenn:</b>	<b>Placer:</b> 1	<b>Sutter:</b>
<b>Humboldt:</b> 1	<b>Plumas:</b>	<b>Tehama:</b>
<b>Imperial:</b>	<b>Riverside:</b> 5	<b>Trinity:</b>
<b>Inyo:</b>	<b>Sacramento:</b> 4	<b>Tulare:</b> 1
<b>Kern:</b> 5	<b>San Benito:</b>	<b>Tuolumne:</b>
<b>Kings:</b>	<b>San Bernardino:</b> 3	<b>Ventura:</b>
<b>Lake:</b>	<b>San Diego:</b> 7	<b>Yolo:</b>
<b>Lassen:</b>	<b>San Francisco:</b>	<b>Yuba:</b>
<b>Los Angeles:</b> 23	<b>San Joaquin:</b> 2	
<b>Madera:</b>	<b>San Luis Obispo:</b> 1	<b>Unaffiliated:</b> 1

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## Volunteer Committee Report Appendix J

Volunteer Committee Report Date		08/24/18	11/29/18	01/26/19	05/11/19	5/11/19 w/o SM
<b>Inquiries During Reporting Period</b>		36	70	36	91	52
<b>Response Times of 1 Day or less</b>		15	52	33	19	19
<b>% of Responses in 1 Day or less</b>		0.42	0.74	0.92	0.21	0.37
		08/24/18	11/29/18	01/26/19	05/11/19	5/11/19 w/o SM
<b>Days Between Inquiry &amp; Response</b>	<b>Min.</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Max.</b>	56.00	9.00	4.00	14.00	10.00
	<b>Mean</b>	4.91	1.12	0.47	6.54	1.19
	<b>Median</b>	3.00	1.00	0.00	2.00	1.00
	<b>Mode</b>	4.00	1.00	0.00	14.00	1.00





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# Historical Preservation Committee Report

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**Committee Chair:** Joe Dehn  
**Members:** Bill Hajdu  
Gail Lightfoot  
Jon Prosser

## Committee Meetings

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We held two meetings since our last report, on 23 February and 23 March.

We continue to do most of our work by e-mail and via LPedia.

## Progress on Projects

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Our plan of work and the status of various projects is documented on our LPedia page at:

[http://lpedia.org/Libertarian\\_Party\\_of\\_California\\_Historical\\_Preservation\\_Committee](http://lpedia.org/Libertarian_Party_of_California_Historical_Preservation_Committee)

Since our last report, we have made significant progress in scanning and uploading issues of past state newsletters; there is a chart on our page showing details of this. The biggest obstacles to completing this project are (1) locating a complete set of the earliest newsletter

("CaLiber") and (2) scanning the issues of the newsletters which were published in tabloid format for which we only have hardcopy.

(Tabloid-format newsletters are more difficult to scan both because of the size of the pages and the type of paper.) We would be happy to hear from anybody who might be able to help us with either of these things.

We assembled a display for the state convention which both highlighted what we are trying to do and provided many samples of historical items for attendees to see. This included a display board with lists of conventions, state chairs, candidates for governor and US Senate, graphs of registered Libertarians and central committee members, a list of past state newsletters along with how many issues are online so far, and the "first two years" article from 1974. Also on the table were a notebook containing outreach material, some historical buttons and bumper stickers, and extra copies of The Libertarian Alternative. The backdrop consisted of two LPC

banners used at past events. Also posted on the wall was an outreach poster produced by the LPSF.

In preparing for that display we were able to create an essentially complete graph of Libertarian voter registration from the time of the original registration drive to the present. The record of dues-paying state membership (central committee membership and/or all donors), however, is very spotty for significant periods -- although we did produce and display a graph of what we had, I don't expect we will be able to make much more progress on this until we have had a chance to process detailed minutes and officer/committee reports from those periods.

We have had considerable discussion, but not made as much progress as I hoped, on identifying people who can help us with gathering and organizing material relating to local groups. We are looking both for people who would be willing to volunteer to work on this for their own county/region, and people who may have material that would be useful and that they would be willing to share with us even if they don't want to spend time working on it. There is a chart on our page showing who we have identified so far, but it's still pretty sparse.

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# Chair's Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Chair:** Mimi Robson

## Mission

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At our recent convention I laid out my plans for the next two years if reelected Chair. The delegates at the convention saw fit to give me these additional two years and therefore it's my intention to put these plans into motion.

I believe to grow the party we need to focus more on increasing the registered Libertarian voters in the state, getting more people involved in activism and growing our donor base. These things need to happen at the local level first so I think the number one responsibility of the Chair is to make sure that each county organization has the tools and resources necessary to do outreach in their communities. The way to get new members isn't to send out something that simply asks for \$25 a year, but rather to first let people know our message, second find out what they are most interested in and then giving them the tools they need to achieve those goals. Once they're engaged they will be willing to make the investment of joining and donating to the party. As we grow our base of voters, volunteers, members and donors we will better be able to achieve the ultimate goal of getting Libertarians elected!

To get Libertarians elected, I want to help serious candidates become viable candidates. In the past we have looked for numerous "paper candidates" to get the Libertarian Party on the ballot and to put forth our message. These candidates were given little support from the Party, and generally little was expected in return. However, the tide changed in 2016 when serious candidates were recruited who wanted to run viable campaigns but we continued to offer little to no support; I was one of those candidates. This is the major change I want to make! I want to insure we provide each serious candidate the support they need to win, which would include a treasurer to help them meet all of the stringent FPPC filing requirements; I want to provide candidates and their campaign teams training and resources to run effective campaigns; and I want to insure we raise significant amounts of money for their campaigns to be competitive. I want to help Libertarians become competitive enough to win elections across the State of California! I want to have more WINS like that of the Jeff Hewitt campaign of 2018!

Last year when I ran for Chair I said I was in it to win it! I said we all needed to put on our "big boy pants" and get the job done and I believe we are doing just that! We are resonating with the voters in California which can be seen in the fact that we had our first partisan candidate progress to the general election in a contested

primary and we had a HUGE win in Riverside County when Jeff Hewitt was elected County Supervisor. I know that to be successful as a political party we need funds to further our outreach. Although our contributions are up in the past year from where they were, there is much more to be done. I have been actively meeting with donors and am optimistic that in the next year we will be in a position to be a force to be reckoned with. I am confident that we will have the resources we need going into the 2020 elections to grow and have Libertarians elected for both partisan and non-partisan offices.

### **General Overview**

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This past month, following the convention, has been very rough for me. As many of you know, my father went into the hospital just a few days after I returned from Concord and unfortunately he was not able to beat his fight with pneumonia and passed on April 30, 2019 at 74 years old. This is a devastating loss to me, my family and his many friends, as well as anyone whose life he's touched. That being said, I've not gotten as much done as I had hoped, but I know that my Dad wants this party to succeed so going forward I will work tirelessly to make all of the above goals a reality.

At the beginning of this month I was invited by the LNC to be a guest on a dinner cruise that was sponsored by Chris Rufer and his wife Melody on their boat. I wasn't sure if I was up to it being it was just 4 days after my father passed, but knew my dad would want me to go and help the party. There were several people on the boat including Nick Sarwark and others from the LNC; County Supervisor Jeff Hewitt and Boomer Shannon, as well as several generous donors which included Tim Ferreira, Steve Haug and Peter Moulds. I was glad that I went! It was wonderful evenings with people that I feel are my extended family, and an excellent opportunity to talk to others about their vision of the Libertarian Party.

Unfortunately, I have not been writing as much as I planned. I've found that writing a bi-weekly op-ed of 700 words takes a lot of time, research and energy. So I am going to ask that if anyone would like to help me with this please know that I will take all suggestions for topics and will work with anyone that wishes to do so, to collaborate on these pieces. This is a really incredible opportunity for the party and I can't do it alone.

### **2018 Concord Convention**

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I will be going over a bit more about this later in the agenda, but wanted to mention that our recent convention was a HUGE success! During the course of the weekend there were 262 people that attended the convention with 152 delegates that signed in. On Sunday morning we had 136 delegates on the floor for the Chair election!

We also raised a substantial amount of money during the course of the weekend. In addition to the convention itself being profitable we raised over \$8,000 for the Candidate Support Committee and had eight members upgrade to Life Membership for an additional \$8,000 bringing the total to over \$16,000! And being the new Life Members were all upgraded that means that \$4,000 will go to the County Organizations that those members are affiliated with.

At the Convention we had a special Early Bird special for the Platinum Package for the 2020 Convention that will be held in Los Angeles over President's Day in February 2020. We sold 12 packages (\$3,600) which fully paid the deposit that was required by the host hotel.

I would like to thank the Convention Committee; Chair of the Committee Brent Olsen, Nick Smith, Kevin Moore, Rebecca Lau, , Eduardo Flores, Steve Haug and Tyler Kuskie for doing an amazing job! I would also like to thank everyone at the Concord Crowne Plaza Hotel for insuring our convention was successful in every way.

## LPC Committees

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Per the Bylaws and the Operating Procedures Manual there are several committees which are either in-part or in-full appointed by the Chair. The following are the current members of each of these committees:

### **Candidate Support Committee:**

Mimi Robson                      Chair  
Emily Henkel-Tilford          Treasurer  
Angela McArdle          Secretary  
Tim Ferreira  
John Ferrero  
Mark Hinkle  
Brent Olsen

Bill MacElroy - NA  
Jonathan Prosser - CA

### **Historical Preservation Committee:**

Joe Dehn                      Chair  
William Hajdu  
Gail Lightfoot  
Jonathan Prosser

### **Communication and Marketing Committee:**

Peter Moulds                      Chair

### **IT Committee:**

Tim Ferreira                      Chair  
Justin Emsoff  
Tim Ferreira

### **Convention Committee:**

Thom Taylor                      Interim Chair

### **Membership Committee:**

Mark Hinkle                      Chair  
Chuck Hamm  
Steve Haug  
Brent Olsen  
David Schrader

### **County Organization Support Committee:**

David Naranjo - SA Chair  
Brent Olsen - LPC Vice-Chair  
Brandon Nelson - LPC NAC  
Justin Quigley - LPC CAC  
Wendy Hewitt - LPC SAC

**Social Media Committee:**

John Ferrero           Chair  
Eduardo Flores  
Rachel (Matt) Johnson  
Angela McArdle  
Kalish Morrow  
Avens O'Brien  
David Schrader

**Style Committee:**

Joe Dehn               Chair

**Volunteer Committee:**

Paul Vallandigham   Chair  
Devin Harris  
Wendy Hewitt  
Kevin Moore  
Jillian Olsen

**Website Committee:**

Nick Smith            Chair  
Rick Dawson  
Justin Emsoff  
Tim Ferreira

• **Candidate Support Committee:**

- Ted Brown resigned from the CSC just before our May 6, 2019 meeting however he has agreed to still be involved in finding candidates for the 2020 conventions for which I'm grateful as he has many years' experience in doing this.
- In the past the Treasurer of this committee has been a non-voting member however there's nothing in the Bylaws or Operating Procedures Manual that states this as a requirement. Especially now that the two FPPC Committees have been merged I feel that Emily Henkel-Tilford should be a voting member. Therefore I have added her to the committee to replace the vacated seat.
- Additional volunteers to the committee are always welcome, even if they aren't voting members of the committee, so if anyone else would like to become involved please let me know.

• **Communications and Marketing Committee:**

- This committee is something I have been working on since the former Communications Director, which had been appointed by the previous Chair, resigned in June of 2018. I strongly felt that our communications and marketing for the Party should not be left to one person and thought a committee would better serve our needs.
- After discussing this with Brent Olsen, he drafted a motion to add this committee to the Operating Procedures Manual and the make-up of the committee will be a committee chair appointed by the Chair, two members appointed by the Executive Committee and two additional members, one appointed by the Website Committee and one

appointed by the Social Media Committee. This motion was approved at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting.

- I have appointed Peter Moulds to be the Chair of this Committee. Pete spent most of his career in the computer industry as an executive in marketing, sales and business development. He is now retired and holds advisory positions with several software companies. In college, before changing his major to computer science, he studied political science and since then has retained a keen interest in public policy and political ideology. Because of his extensive background in developing marketing programs for various large companies and start-ups, and his interest in better branding and marketing the Libertarian Party, I believe he is the ideal person to lead this committee.
- Two additional members of this committee will be appointed by the ExCom today and once the Website and Social Media Committees are populated they will be asked to fill the remaining two seats.
- **Convention Committee:**
  - At our February 9, 2019 Executive Committee the Los Angeles Double Tree by Hilton proposal was submitted by Thom Taylor and approved by the committee.
  - I signed the contract with the hotel on April 5, 2019.
  - I have appointed Thom Taylor as the interim Chair of this committee and will be populating the remainder of the members after reviewing the applications that have been received. The committee will consist of a total of 5 members and the committee will be asked to elect their own Chair.
  - Additional volunteers are needed for both planning the convention and running the operations during the convention. If you are interested please let me know so I can put you in contact with the committee once it's populated.
- **County Organization Support Committee:**
  - I had initially created this committee last year as an ad hoc committee with the intention of formalizing it after the convention. At that time the committee was made up of the LPC Northern and Southern Vice-Chairs and three Central Committee members, one from each area. The members were Brent Olsen, Jonathan Jaech, Brandon Nelson, Jonathan Prosser and David Naranjo with David being elected as the Chair.
  - Brent Olsen made a motion at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting to include this committee as a Standing Committee in the Operating Procedures Manual which was adopted.

- The make-up of this committee is the LPC Vice-Chair; Northern, Central and Southern Area Coordinators; and three State Central Committee members, one from each area.
- After the Convention, with the elections of LPC officers and area coordinators, I added Bill MacElroy from the Northern Area and David Naranjo was re-elected as Committee Chair.
- **Historical Preservation Committee**
  - This committee was added to the Operating Procedures Manual on 09/08/2018 and was originally and had five members appointed by the Chair.
  - I appointed Joe Dehn, William Hajdu, Gail Lightfoot, Brent Olsen and Jonathan Prosser and the committee elected Joe as the committee chair.
  - Prior to the convention Brent Olsen resigned from this committee so I am currently looking for another member to fill that vacancy.
- **IT Committee:**
  - This committee is made up of three members appointed by the Chair.
  - I do not anticipate making any changes to this committee at this time.
- **Membership Committee:**
  - This Committee is in the Operating Procedures Manual and consists of five members that are appointed by the chair.
  - There are currently five members of the committee; however both Chuck Hamm and Brent Olsen have given me their intent to resign. Therefore I will be appointing two new members to fill those seats.
  - I will be making a motion to amend the OPM regarding this committee to make it clear that the committee will elect the committee chair. Once the additional members are appointed to the committee I expect that the committee will hold an election for the chair of the committee.
- **Social Media Committee:**
  - In the past this committee has been an ad hoc committee that was appointed by the Chair, but at the Post-Convention ExCom meeting a motion was made by Brent Olsen to instead to create a Standing Committee to be added to the Operating Procedures Manual which passed.
  - In the OPM this committee is now elected by the Executive Committee with the exception of the committee chair which is appointed by the Chair.

- Brent Olsen resigned as committee chair prior to the convention and I appointed John Ferrero as the new committee chair.
- There are currently six additional members (listed above) on the committee but I have placed committee elections on the agenda, so these members may change.
- Of the existing members, Rachel (Matt) Johnson, Kalish Morrow and Angela McArdle have expressed interest in remaining on the committee. Other members may wish to also be considered but haven't reached out to me directly
- **Style Committee:**
  - Per the Bylaws the Chair may appoint no more than five members to this committee. Currently the only member of this committee is Joe Dehn and I will be looking for a minimum of two other members.
- **Volunteer Committee:**
  - This was originally an ad hoc committee that I instituted at the June 2018 ExCom meeting. At that time I appointed Paul Vallandigham as Chair.
  - At the 2/9/18 ExCom meeting a motion was made to add this as a Standing Committee in the Operating Procedures Manual which passed. In the motion it states that the Chair shall appoint all five members within 14 days of the convention.
  - Brent Olsen resigned from the committee prior to the convention leaving two openings on the committee.
  - Immediately after the conclusion of the convention I appointed Jillian Olsen and Kevin Moore to fill the vacant seats so all five seats are now populated.
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- **Website Committee:**
  - There are currently only four members of this committee as the additional members had resigned prior to the convention.
  - At the Post-Convention ExCom meeting a motion was made to amend the standing committee in the Operating Procedures Manual to require there be five members of this committee.
  - I will be filling the remaining seat on the committee after all applications have been received from those wishing to be part of the committee.

We currently have an application online for all LPC Committees so if you are interested in getting involved in any of the standing or ad hoc committees please fill go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Committee-Volunteer>.

In addition to the above committees, I am creating an ad hoc committee for the State Fair which will be held in Sacramento, July 12-28, 2019. Mark Hinkle has been involved in this outreach opportunity many times and he will be the Chair of this committee. In addition Emily Tilford and Barbara Engelhardt have volunteered to be involved and I will be looking for 2 more people.

### **Libertarian Party of California Judicial Committee Appeal**

At the recent Convention, on Sunday, April 7, 2019, the delegates voted to delete the Libertarian Party of California's Platform. After failing to get the votes to adopt the National Platform, the Party was left with no Platform.

On May 11, 2019 eight Central Committee Members filed an appeal with the Judicial Committee to overturn the actions of the delegates at convention and reinstate the previously approved Platform (the full text of the appeal, as authored by Caryn Ann Harols is included below). The seven members that are appealing this action are Mark Hinkle, Gail Lightfoot, Jonathan Jaech, Mark Herd, Jennifer and Robert Imhoff, Starchild and Ted Brown.

The three people specifically mentioned in the appeal are; Platform Committee Chair, John David Ward; Convention Chair, Mimi Robson; and Convention Parliamentarian, Alicia Mattson. We are now awaiting further instructions on how the proceedings will be handled by the Judicial Committee.

In Liberty,

Honor "Mimi" Robson  
Chair  
Libertarian Party of California

## APPEAL TO JUDICIAL COMMITTEE REGARDING BYLAWS, CONVENTION RULES, AND MEMBER RIGHT'S VIOLATIONS DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE PLATFORM COMMITTEE REPORT AT 2019 LPCA ANNUAL CONVENTION

It is fortunate that the 2019 LPC convention was recorded so that reliance on faulty memories can be minimized; thus providing two sources to examine to determine if any errors during the Platform Committee report deliberations were merely *pro forma*, causing concern, but not rising to the level of fundamental rights, or whether they were of such a nature to go against the very principles of the party and its governance structure.

### BACKGROUND

#### Governance Structure

The LPCA, writ large, is organized as a deliberative assembly under a set of bylaws and a parliamentary authority.<sup>i</sup> The principles underlying parliamentary law, as specified by RONR, are in place to balance the rights of multiple subgroups within the organization. This includes protecting the rights of the majority as well as the rights of the individual members and any minority views. However, RONR takes care to note that protection of a strong minority (*i.e.*, more than one-third) is the type of minority that is particularly in view.<sup>ii</sup>

#### PARTY PRINCIPLES

In speaking of principles, we are not referring to the broader Statement of Principles that guide public policy positions but of the spirit behind them which is protection of the rights of the individual and the fundamental sense of fairness that arises from this position as exemplified by various positions the state affiliates and the national party have taken over the years. And one thing is certain, any irregularity in voting protocol that prejudices or potentially censors a less powerful voice, is met with reproach; regardless of the letter of the law.<sup>iii</sup> Libertarians have a keen sense of justice, equity, and a level playing field, and take great pains to never appear as practicing what they condemn, being rightly suspicious of sleek lawyerly “explanations” that merely perfume the skunk.

#### RECORDINGS

The area of dispute involved the Platform Committee deliberations. The recording may be found here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=1&v=uSQRLlgSihs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=uSQRLlgSihs) with the specific relevant portion beginning at timestamp 2:18:00.

### SPECIFIC VIOLATIONS INVOLVING FUNDAMENTAL MEMBER RIGHTS

#### MASS DELETION/MASS ADOPTION OF PLATFORM PLANKS

The Platform Committee chair (PCC) stated the committee’s recommendations to revise the platform in two inter-related steps: delete the entire existing platform in one vote and then adopt the entire national platform in one

vote. At timestamp 2:20:00 the PCC moved to delete the entire existing platform. This is a clear violation of both the party convention rules and RONR. The applicable sections are reproduced below (additional emphasis added).

**Rule 8: Platform Committee**

The Chair of the Platform Committee shall report the Committee's recommendations to the floor, **plank by plank**. The delegates shall vote **on each recommendation separately**. After the delegates have debated and voted on all of the Committee's recommendations, if time permits, any delegate may propose new planks or additional amendments from the floor, which the delegates shall vote on separately.

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**RONR, page 277 beginning at line 34 through page 278, line 1) from the section on "Consideration by Paragraph"**

In adopting a set of bylaws or the articles of a platform, consideration by paragraph is the normal and advisable procedure, **followed as a matter of course unless the assembly votes to do otherwise**.

While the party convention rules are suspendable and would supersede RONR, they were not, in fact, suspended—to put it bluntly they were ignored. *The body as a matter of right is entitled to consider all proposals plank by plank which is obviously a sanction against mass adoptions or deletions.* The chair advised the PCC of the procedure to move the recommendations and advised the assembly of the voting threshold required but did not advise of the existence of this convention rule, not through any mal-intent, but through honest mistake.

There was vibrant opposition to this proposal, certainly more than a strong minority as defined by RONR, and much of the discussion revolved around the fact that there should be planks retained that are specific to California as required by Bylaw 20; thus indicating a clear desire to consider the report plank by plank and demonstrating an ignorance of their right to this as a matter of course, trusting the direction of the chair, parliamentarian, and the PCC. Beginning at timestamp 2:30:40, a delegate referenced "our procedure" as consideration by plank and asked that this course be followed. This should have been taken as a point of order at that time. Member rights should not be prejudiced because they do not know the technical lingo of parliamentary law. Additionally, at approximately 2:37:35, a delegate noted that a mass approval would be an end-run around past failures to achieve a 2/3 consensus on issues such as the death penalty, implicitly arguing the impropriety of considerations en masse.

A point of order (beginning at 3:10:20 and following) was also raised on both the mass deletion and mass adoption votes citing the above section of RONR, and the chair was advised by the parliamentarian that the method of consideration by paragraph was *optional* (interpreting "advisable" as available but not *obligatory*) but RONR clearly states it is a matter of course UNLESS the body votes to do otherwise, which it did not. There was never a proper ruling on this point of order so there was no opportunity for appeal, and this point of order was miscast by the parliamentarian as a point of parliamentary inquiry on a theoretical situation contrary to fact, that is, an affirmative action requesting consideration by paragraph must have preceded the point of order which of course did not happen. However, that is contrary to RONR which clearly states that consideration by paragraph in this instance is the default without any affirmative motion by the assembly required. In fact, an affirmative motion would be required to *wave* consideration by paragraph. The whole process was turned on its head, and the member raising the point of order requested independent parliamentary assistance and was denied.

## POINT OF INQUIRY INCORRECTLY ANSWERED

Beginning at 3:09:00 a delegate asked if the assembly failed to adopt a new platform whether a motion to reconsider would be in order and was improperly told no because the motion made by the PCC did not make deletion of the platform conditional upon adoption of a new one. However, that conditionality is not required for a motion to reconsider which can be made by any qualified delegate for any reason. This instruction was later correctly stated, but the prejudice was already incurred, and the delegates were worn out.

## VOTING RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

Voting on the mass plank deletion began at 2:40:50 by a rising vote with the chair informally counting the numbers at 36-32. A formal counted vote/division was then demanded. Beginning at 2:46:10, **the chair informed the delegates that only the delegates that voted previously could participate and that everyone must vote the same way they previously voted.**

This is, however, incorrect and fatally so, though affirmed by the parliamentarian. Division of the Assembly is dealt with in RONR pages 280-282. First, when division was called for, the intention of the member doing so was improperly cast by another member as saying "he thinks you counted wrong" (see timestamp 2:45:00) though the member said no such thing, and that is not the only reason for division, particularly in a close vote. For example, a chair may call for a rising vote *sua sponte* after a show of hands (or voice vote) if she feels the vote is "unrepresentative," *i.e.* members held back from voting or might not have properly considered their vote. The fact that a member can change their vote is presumed throughout this section, such as in this sentence, "*The rising vote may be more effective in causing a maximum number of members to vote.*" Precluding members from changing their vote on such a tight margin is a fatal error, and it is known to the authors that at least one member would have changed their vote from "aye" to "nay" because they did not want such a tight margin on a momentous vote that would cause bitterness in the body.

However, *assuming arguendo*, that the above error did not exist, the process was still fatally flawed. The counted rising vote resulted in a count of 37-27 with the chair observing that "more people voted last time" (see timestamp 2:49:46) which means that everyone who voted previously did not vote in the second count as instructed. The chair noted that she might have incorrectly counted people in the back of the room during the first vote, but that is highly unlikely as explicit instructions were given to "cop a squat" (see timestamp 2:40:25) during that vote so that no illegitimate votes would be counted and this was instruction enforced by the chair. Clearly votes were changed, and the disparity is not within the reasonable margin of error for a group of this size.

Additionally, the majority vote threshold can reasonably be determined to be improper according to the obvious intent of Bylaw 20 which provides that the substitution of a plank for another requires "*a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates.*" Despite the fact that this was recommended to be done in two steps rather than one, the whole discussion was framed in both the floor debate and the Platform Committee report as deleting one platform (comprising many planks) and substituting with another. The bylaws are rendered absurd if one could merely bundle more than one plank to subvert this requirement obviously intended to protect the minority (and the platform itself).

## PARTICIPATION BY PARLIAMENTARIAN

The parliamentarian improperly voted for the mass platform deletion (see RONR page 467, lines 8-12: *A member of an assembly who acts as a parliamentarian has the same duty as the presiding officer to maintain a position of*

*impartiality, and therefore does not make motions, participate in debate, or vote on any questions except in the case of a ballot vote.*) When this point of order was raised, the parliamentarian improperly stated that this was not the case (without citing anything from RONR as justification), but there is a clear conflict of interest to have the person being challenged also being the person to advise the chair as to whether that challenge is correct. The parliamentarian later conceded the point when the passage in RONR was read aloud.<sup>iv</sup>

## IMPROPER MOTION TO ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn was treated as a privileged motion to adjourn, i.e. non-debatable, non-amendable, and able to interrupt a pending question. However, the motion to adjourn should have been treated in its unprivileged form as there is no allowance for a privileged motion to adjourn on the last meeting of a convention (*see* RONR page 234, lines 18-21). There were pending points of order at the time (not parliamentary inquiries as stated by the parliamentarian) and debate may have changed votes.

## QUORUM ISSUES<sup>v</sup>

Beginning at timestamp 2:43:00 the issue of quorum was raised with the number of 69 being fixed as the quorum. This challenge to quorum was done as a result of the counted vote, and if that count is correct, quorum was not present, and if that count is not correct because people left, changed their vote etc., the re-count was invalid and still in question. Further, the chair and the parliamentarian were counted in quorum yet they are not members present in order to determine quorum as those are defined as persons entitled to make motions, to speak in debate, and to vote (*see* RONR pages 3 and 345), which are not rights that those two individuals possessed. In the first vote, the number of votes totaled 68 which is one less than quorum but since the chair did not vote, she was added to that total to barely make quorum at 69. Further, one member expressly abstained (no others claimed so) so that quorum was noted to have been exceeded by one with a total of 70. However, neither the chair nor the parliamentarian should have been counted, making the assembly at less than quorum at 68 (*further see* footnote 6).

Further the subsequent voting on the adoption of the national platform was illegitimate as there was not a sufficient number of delegates present to satisfy the requirement in Bylaw 20 as follows:

The delegates, by a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates, may add a new plank, or substitute a new plank for an old plank.

Although all votes on this failed, they should not have been allowed to begin with, and if so, it is highly likely that a member would have brought a proper motion to reconsider but was prejudiced by this delay and diversion.

## IDEOLOGICAL AGENDA

When there are points of ideology at issue (rather than strictly pragmatic concerns about presentation, length, clarity, etc.) it is essential that these points be out in the open and not cloaked as mere pragmatism. At least one platform committee member clearly stated that the ultimate reason for the deletion was the hardline stance taken by the platform which may hobble candidates who wish to take softer positions (*i.e.*, advocate for the initiation of physical force).

## LACK OF TRANSPARENCY/AMBUSH

It is noted that although the bylaws do not require any previous notice of platform recommendations or amendments while it does for bylaws, it would have been relatively simple to provide the same notice. On the party website, the complete Bylaws Committee report is easily accessed but the Platform Committee report is not to be found and multiple members complained of ambush. For such a drastic change, it would seem that this would have been prudent. Additionally, there were no public notices of the committee meetings thereby depriving interested members of the opportunity to offer input and perhaps influence the committee members in a different direction.

## POWER IMBALANCE

There is a general flaw party-wide in assuming that every delegate is knowledgeable in RONR and the party bylaws (which is never the case), placing the board and committees in a superior position of power. Every attempt should be made by same to inform the delegates of their rights to reach a just result.

## THE PARTY BYLAWS REQUIRE A PLATFORM

The relevant bylaw is quoted below:

### **Bylaw 20: Platform**

#### **Section 1**

The Party Platform shall consist of a number of planks which state the Party position on specific state and national issues.

The Platform may be amended by deletion, substitution, or addition of any plank at any Party convention. The delegates may, by majority vote, delete a plank. The delegates, by a two-thirds vote, but not less than a majority of all registered delegates, may add a new plank, or substitute a new plank for an old plank.

It was argued that this article does not actually *require* a platform but merely describes what it will comprise *if it exists*. Note, however, the obligatory “shall” is used rather than the permissive “may.” Without compelling external reasons, the word “shall” imposes mandatory requirements or duties.<sup>vi</sup> This intent is made clear by the second paragraph of this section which uses the permissive “may” to describe amendments and deletions. While it is possible to interpret this bylaw in the permissive manner suggested (*i.e.* a requirement only if a platform exists)<sup>vii</sup>, this is contradicted by the fact that the absence of a Platform would render the following provisions absurd and unintelligible<sup>viii</sup> (additional emphasis added):

### **Bylaw 2: Purpose (2/3 required to amend)**

The Party exists to uphold, promote, and disseminate the philosophy and principles of libertarianism. To that end, it shall proclaim and implement the Statement of Principles of the national Libertarian Party by engaging in political and informational activities in California.

The Party **shall** do so by:

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F. Preparing a statewide political environment to enhance the election of Party candidates pledged to the Statement of Principles for the singular purpose of abolishing statist law, and restoring civil and economic liberty and property rights as proclaimed in the Principles and defined in the **Platform**;

#### **Bylaw 10: Officers**

##### **Section 5**

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The Secretary shall cause the **most recently adopted Platform**, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.

#### **Bylaw 21: Program**

##### **Section 1**

The Party Program shall consist of up to five planks which state interim measures and practical policies, designed to implement the Party position on issues of interest to California. The Program shall not conflict with the Statement of Principles or the **Platform**.

## **RELIEF REQUESTED BY PETITIONERS/APPELLANTS**

In this instance, there is no action that cannot be unwound and done properly and the rights violations are numerous, clear, and grievous. The result might be the same, but surely everyone wants things done cleanly. Therefore, we the undersigned maintain that the only equitable solution is to declare the entire platform voting portion of the 2019 convention null and void, leaving the convention delegates free to re-consider the issue cleanly at the 2020 convention if they so desire. Additionally, we hold that the process should be restarted with another platform committee (comprising the same or different members) operating in a transparent manner that actively seeks input and collaboration from party members.

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<sup>i</sup> The 2018 bylaws are located at <https://tinyurl.com/lpcabylaws> with appended convention rules that would function as special rules of order. There is no party constitution. The current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* (RONR) is specified by Bylaw 28 to be the current parliamentary authority.

<sup>ii</sup> See RONR, page li.

<sup>iii</sup> Laws can immoral, and rules can be unjust. A prime example would be the attempted excision of parts of the Statement of Principles at the 2008 national convention during what was described as "slick parliamentary maneuvering" that blatantly went against the spirit and intent of the subject bylaws. Many persons who supported the amendments opposed the strategy on grounds of sheer intuition that this was a dirty trick, no matter what technical justifications could be mustered. This sense is compounded when there is a clear opportunity for a "clean redo." Procedures should not be a "gotcha" and controversial decisions should be as free from the appearance of inequity as possible for the peace of the order. The 2006 national convention is another unfortunate example. The sense that things were not done fairly caused a major rift in the party that persists to this day.

<sup>iv</sup> It was noted that there was no harm done in the prior improper votes as the parliamentarian was not the deciding vote. This, however, ignores the possibility that members looked to her as a source of authority to guide their own votes. One cannot be both judge and jury.

<sup>v</sup> No verification was done regarding the correctness of the number of 69 as the quorum from earlier in the day but has been assumed herein to be correct. Conflicting statements on quorum were made (see timestamp 3:38:30 for example) so it is unclear whether 69 or 69+1 was the quorum.

<sup>vi</sup> There are some court cases in which “shall” has been interpreted as interchangeable with “may” but these were under certain unique circumstances, to wit (emphasis added), “As used in statutes and similar instruments, this word is generally imperative or mandatory; but it may be construed as merely permissive or directory, (as equivalent to “may,”) to carry out the legislative intention and in cases where no right or benefit to any one depends on its being taken in the imperative sense, and **where no public or private right is impaired by its interpretation in the other sense.**” [https://thelawdictionary.org/shall/] The ideological stances of the party certainly are a matter of member rights.

Additionally, this distinction was noted in a discussion on employment contracts and notice required for termination (emphasis added): “The reason for this result is the use of the word ‘may’ in the first sentence. It is a drafting trick. In both the law and common usage, the word ‘may’ means the same as ‘may or may not.’ Its nature is ‘permissive,’ not ‘mandatory.’ It permits an action to be taken, but does not require it. It imposes no obligation whatsoever. It is synonymous with ‘is permitted to.’ It does not mean ‘is required to.’ It would be an entirely different matter if the first sentence said ‘You or the Bank SHALL end your employment relationship . . .’ or ‘You and the Bank WILL,’ or ‘You and the Bank MUST.’ **‘Shall,’ ‘will’ and ‘must’ are not ‘permissive,’ but rather ‘mandatory’ in nature. They impose obligations, and are synonymous with ‘are required to.’**” [https://skloverworkingwisdom.com/dont-be-fooled-by-the-may-shall-trick/]

While RONR does not deal with the differences between “shall” and “may” (it is not a dictionary after all), in its discussion on content and composition of bylaws beginning on page 570 uses the word “shall” and “may” in the mandatory and permissive senses respectively.

<sup>vii</sup> If the term “shall” should be interpreted to mean what the platform will contain IF it exists, then also, for consistency’s sake Bylaw 10 (Officers) should be interpreted to describe *potential positions* with no requirements that *there actually be* any officers.

<sup>viii</sup> A reading of the entirety of the bylaws is instructive as it very carefully uses the terms “shall” and “may” to distinguish mandatory items from permissive ones.

# Vice-Chair's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/10/2019

**Northern Vice Chair:** K. Brent Olsen, Psy.D.

## Vice Chair Purpose, per Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of California

### *Section 4*

*The Vice-Chair shall act as an assistant to the Chair, performing such duties as the Chair shall prescribe, shall perform the duties of the Chair in the event that the Chair is, for any reason, unable to perform the duties of the office.*

## Mission Statement

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*My mission as Vice Chair is to work to accomplish my five-point plan:*

- 1) Speak no evil of a fellow Libertarian*
- 2) All politics is local*
- 3) Combine the wisdom of the elders with the energy of the youth.*
- 4) Money is the life blood of politics*
- 5) Registered Libertarians are key*

## Executive Overview

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- The week following the convention I participated in being recorded in a podcast video for the Libertarian Party of Kern County, along with Kevin Shaw (Vice Chair of LPLAC), Robert Foster (Vice Chair of LP of Kern County), and other Libertarians in Kern County. The video link has not yet become available.
- The Volunteer Committee developed an application using SurveyMonkey to have volunteers apply for committees which they are interested in filling. A link to this application has become available on the website, on Facebook, and was in an email Message from the Chair which was sent out to all members of the Party.
- The Operating Procedures Manual was updated to include the following Standing Committees: Social Media Committee, Communications and Marketing Committee, Awards Committee, Convention Oversight Committee, and the County Organization Support Committee.

# Northern Area Coordinator's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/6/2019

**Northern Area Coordinator:** Brandon Nelson

## **Northern Area Coordinator Purpose, per Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of California**

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- Bylaw 12, Section 1B: Three Area Coordinators. The Northern Area Coordinator shall be affiliated in a county in the northern area of the state. (T)he northern area shall be the 31 counties that begin north of the central boundaries. Each Area Coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating activities in their respective area of the state and shall be elected by the delegates from that area for two-year terms.
- Bylaw 9, Section 4: The appropriate Area Coordinator may appoint a county Chair Pro Tem for any county in which there is no active county organization. It shall be the responsibility of said Chair Pro Tem to promote the development of a county organization within that county.

## **Mission Statement**

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*My mission as the Northern Area Coordinator is to locate individuals able and willing to serve as Chair Pro Tem for their respective counties and to assist them in organizing sustainable local party affiliates in those counties who are active and engaged in promoting and building the Libertarian Party locally, as well as promoting and recruiting Libertarian candidates in those areas.*

## **Executive Overview**

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- At the beginning of my term as Northern Area Coordinator, we started with 13 of the 33 Northern Counties having fully organized affiliates. We now have 13 fully affiliated and active party organizations in the northern 33 counties. These are: Alameda, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Stanislaus, Tulare, and Yolo.
- In addition my predecessor had appointed all 5 of the current Chair Pro Tems that have not yet met the qualifications for affiliation. These are: Butte, Del Norte, Humboldt, Marin, and Mendocino. I do not intend to replace his appointments.

- Of the Northern 33 counties, 14 have no appointed Chair Pro Tem and are not organized. These are: Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Lassen, Modoc, Napa, Nevada, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, and Yuba.
- Since my election last month, I have found a potential candidate and Pro-Tem in Lake County, and am in talks with him hoping to make this happen as well as gather more information about his candidacy for 2020.

#### Requests for Clarification:

- Request clarification regarding how myself and the other 2 Area Coordinators can access our annual budget (\$2,000/per area for the 2019 budget) and what are considered appropriate expenditures (such as literature for counties, mailers, events, gas/travel to reach remote parts of Area, etc.). I want to make sure that the Area Coordinators are able to access these funds as necessary (and how we can do so), as well as ensure that we do so within whatever guidelines may be established.

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# Southern Area Coordinator Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Southern Area Coordinator:** Wendy Hewitt

## **Southern Vice Chair Report Q2 2019**

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Since the election in April I have sent out an email or have called all my county Chairs. San Diego County is doing good. They have got a cool Libertarian podcast that Joseph De Paul does once a week. They seem to be growing in their county little by little. I have started calling registered Libertarians in the Imperial county area. It's going to take some time to get a group together. L.A. county is growing. They have someone running for L.A. city council right now. Jay Beeber he helped end the red light programs throughout California. He could always use some extra help door knocking or passing out flyers. I spoke with the newly elected Chair of San Bernardino County, Jena Hill. She is happy to become more involved with the Libertarian party. I'm hoping to get to meet her soon at one of their meetings. I also want to give a shout out to Victor Valley Libertarian Alliance group they have an essay contest every year for the high school in their area and they will be giving out a \$1000 scholarship to the winner of that contest on May the 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marie Callender's in Victorville. Orange County seems to be doing good. They have two meeting places. One in Huntington Beach and the other in Fullerton. David Naranjo is doing a lot right now. Not only is he the chair of Orange county but he is also the chair of the County affiliate support committee. I'm looking forward to attending some of their meetings. Now for my own county Riverside. Riverside county is doing great. We are defiantly growing. Our chair Vincent Puccio is hoping to start another meet up group in the low dessert area near Palm Springs. We also have someone running for City council in Palm Springs Scott Myer. Our Outreach Director Ricky Estrada has been doing a great job going to colleges and universities to round up more people. Ricky is also going to be running for city council in Sun City in 2020. We are also hoping to get another meet up going in down town Riverside hopefully in the near future.

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# Secretary's Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Southern Area Coordinator:** Paul K. Vallandigham

## LPC Minutes

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**The following is the status of LPC Minutes since last reported at the Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2019 in Long Beach:**

- April 7, 2019 Executive Committee Minutes – Draft minutes were distributed by Secretary Vallandigham via email at 11:25pm on April 28, 2019. Suggested corrections were made by Member Shaw at 11:53pm on April 28, 2019. Discussion ensued. At 7:26am on April 29, 2019, a motion to approve the April 7, 2019 minutes draft version was made by Vice Chair Olsen. At 6:35am on April 30, 2019, having seen no second to Vice Chair Olsen's motion, Secretary Vallandigham made a motion to approve a revised version of the April 7, 2019 minutes that included corrections suggested during discussion, seconded by Vice Chair Olsen at 7:43am on April 30, 2019. Voting on the seconded motion commenced at 8:15pm on April 30, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 8:15pm on May 2, 2019 as follows:
  - **Voting Yes:** Honor "Mimi" Robson, Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Rick Dawson, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Boomer Shannon, Kevin Shaw, Joshua Smith
  - **Voting No:** none
  - **Expressed Abstentions:** Wendy Hewitt, Chuck Hamm
  - **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley

**With a final tally of 12-0-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with a greater than a supermajority.**

Alternates Jillian Olsen and Devin Harris both voted "Yes", but their votes did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

## LPC Email Motions

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**The following is the status of LPC Email Motions since last reported at the Executive Committee Meeting on February 9, 2019 in Long Beach:**

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Nelson, to amend the end of the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

**Except where otherwise indicated per the Bylaws, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to remove any member appointed by the Party Chair to any Standing Committee with a 2/3 supermajority vote of all members of the Executive Committee.**

- A. Voting commenced at 5:05pm on April 12, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 5:05pm on April 17, 2019 as follows:
  - **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Jillian Olsen, Devin Harris
  - **Voting No:** Rebecca Lau, Kevin Shaw, Joshua Smith
  - **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson

**With a final tally of 11-3-1 at the end of the 120-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a simple majority.**

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

County Organization Support Committee

This Committee shall be made up of seven members: the Vice Chair, the three Area Coordinators, and three members to be selected by the Chair, including one who is affiliated with a county in the Southern Area, one who is affiliated with a county in the Central Area, and one who is affiliated with a county in the Northern Area. This committee shall be responsible for providing the county **affiliates central committees** support in growing and developing a sustainable process and also in providing the appointed Chair Pro Tems support in organizing their **county organizations affiliates**, and the Area Coordinators support in finding suitable candidates to be appointed Chair Pro Tem.

- B. Voting commenced at 3:03pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 3:03pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:
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    - **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
    - **Voting No:** Brandon Nelson, Kevin Shaw
    - **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
    - **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 10-2-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

#### Candidate Support Committee

Per Bvlaw 16 the LPC shall establish at least one campaign fund which funds shall be allocated to candidates of the Libertarian Party. therefore The Libertarian Party of California Candidate Support Committee (LPC CSC) shall be formed to raise money to support qualified Libertarian candidates in California and /or support campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy. (07/20/2006)

The Treasurer of this Committee shall not be an officer of the LPC. shall serve a term contemporaneous with the term of the Treasurer of the LPC, and shall be the Assistant Treasurer of the LPC FPPC Committee. (02/09/2019)

The members of the LPC CSC and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair. The Candidate Support Committee shall consist of ~~five~~ **seven** members. (04/07/2019)

The Candidate Support Committee shall be charged with:

- 1) Determining which non-federal candidates to support
- 2) Review the unrestricted account records for accuracy and assist the LPC's treasurer with timely filing of Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) reports (02/09/2019)

D. Voting commenced at 4:04pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 4:04pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:

- **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
- **Voting No:** Kevin Shaw
- **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
- **Abstentions (did not vote):** Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 11-1-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

- On April 12, 2019, Vice Chair Olsen made a motion, seconded by Member Hamm, to amend the Standing Committees section of the Operating Procedures Manual as follows:

#### Convention Oversight Committee

On matters concerning the Party's **annual convention** ~~conventions~~, the committee shall plan and manage the Party's upcoming convention, including the following tasks:

- conveying requirements to convention planners.
- ensuring the convention meets the Party's needs.
- reviewing and approving in a timely manner major elements such as the convention program.

The committee shall periodically report its decisions and actions to the Executive Committee. The committee shall consist of five members appointed by the **Party** Chair, including a committee Chair selected by the Party Chair. The committee may begin its work as soon as its members are appointed.

E. Voting commenced at 4:10pm on April 13, 2019 and ended after 48 hours with all members assumed to be present (per Bylaws) at 4:10pm on April 15, 2019 as follows:

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- **Voting Yes:** Kenneth Brent Olsen, Paul Vallandigham, Steven Haug, Brandon Nelson, Wendy Hewitt, Rick Dawson, Chuck Hamm, Rebecca Lau, Kalish Morrow, Jason Quintero, Joshua Smith
- **Voting No:** Kevin Shaw
- **Expressed Abstentions:** Honor "Mimi" Robson
- **Abstentions** (did not vote): Justin Quigley, Boomer Shannon

**With a final tally of 11-1-3 at the end of the initial 48-hour period, the motion passed with greater than a supermajority.**

Alternate Jillian Olsen voted "Yes", but her vote did not count, as a supermajority was reached within 48 hours.

### LPC Bylaws

**The following is the status of LPC Bylaws amended during the LPC convention held April 6-7, 2019 at Concord, CA:**

- The LPC Bylaws as amended in convention have been updated to reflect the changes made, however have not been posted to the website yet. They will be posted once the Convention Minutes have been approved.

## LPC County Bylaws

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### Bylaw 10: Officers

#### Section 5

The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.

- Per the Bylaws, it is the Secretary's responsibility that the most current California Libertarian Party Bylaws as well as the Bylaws of each County Affiliate to be posted to the State website.

I will be attempting to collect current County LPC Bylaws and County LPC officer information from each affiliated county organization during the coming year. Results may vary depending on the level of cooperation of participants in this effort. I will be sending a notice to each county organization requesting:

- 1) Information and records verifying their most recent County election, including date of election along names and current physical addresses, email addresses and phone numbers of all officers elected
- 2) An electronic copy of their most recent County Bylaws
- 3) Verification of which officer(s) they choose to designate as their contact for communication with the Volunteer Committee

## Miscellaneous

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**The Secretary would like to publicly acknowledge and thank the Chair (and former Secretary) for her generous assistance over the past six weeks in helping him learn the many systems and tasks required of a person in his position.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paul K. Vallandigham, Secretary  
Libertarian Party of California

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# Treasurer's Report

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**Report Date:** 5/18/2019

**Treasurer:** Steven Haug

## **FPPC**

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The form 460 filed on April 25 was the first report that combined the activity of the LPC and the CSC. The report was started on the 24<sup>th</sup>. The 31 page report was completed the following day.

## **IRS Letters**

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In March we received two letters from the IRS pertaining to taxes due on form 941 for the first and third quarters of 2008. The total tax due is \$8,814.81 including interest on the original \$2005.50 tax for each period. Form 941 is an employers' quarterly tax return to report tax withheld from employee's paychecks. Several agents that I talked to by phone said to file a form 941 indicating we had no employees for the period. Since we have no record of ever having an employee there is no need to start filing employer tax returns. The plan is to decline to file a form 941 and ask for copies of filings that show when we had employees, identifying information of the employee(s) and who filed the original forms.

## **Dues Sharing**

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The January dues sharing payment was under budget by \$1,262.50. That leaves a budget balance of \$3,812.50. The dues sharing liability for July as of 5/11/2019 is \$6175.00. That will increase until the cutoff date of 6/30/2019.

## **Budget**

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Our income to date has come in over budget by more than \$25,000.00. Should we use a portion of these funds to promote the party?

The following files are part of this report:

Business Summary

Budget vs Actuals FY2019 YTD

Dues Share data V7 as of May 11

Income by Payment Type

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# County Org. Support Committee Report

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**Report Date:** 5/18/2019

**Committee Chair:** David Naranjo

**Members:** Bill MacElroy, Wendy Hewitt, Brandon Nelson, Kenneth Brent Olsen, Jonathan Prosser, Justin Quigley

## Committee Purpose

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- The Executive Committee of the Libertarian Party of California established the County Organization Support Committee to provide county central committees support in growing and developing sustainable processes, support Area Coordinators in finding suitable candidates to appoint as county chairs pro tem, and provide appointed county chairs pro tem support in organizing their county organizations.

## Mission Statement

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*The mission of the County Organization Support Committee is to foster coordination and cooperation among county organizations and to provide the necessary support and resources so that those organizations can grow and be maintained.*

## Executive Overview

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- The organizing meeting of the new committee was held on May 2, 2019. All committee members were in attendance.
- The committee re-elected Committee Chair, David Naranjo.
- Members reaffirmed the Mission Statement that the previous committee adopted.
- Members reaffirmed the objectives that the previous committee adopted:
  - Identify and understand what affiliates need and provide them with useful resources and guidance, and
  - Develop best practices that affiliates can follow to effectively run and grow their organizations.
- *The committee members disagreed with the changing of this committee's name and unanimously moved to ask the LPC Executive Committee to change this committee's name back to "Affiliate Support Committee."*
- The committee reviewed and discussed the results of the survey, which had previously been sent out to all County Executive Committees (see attached Survey Results). Based on the survey results, the committee decided the following:

- To ask the Communications and Marketing Committee to develop brochures and other marketing material for county organizations to use,
- To ask the IT Committee or Website Committee, whichever is appropriate, to develop an online Repository, so that County Officers can login and access documents and other resources developed by this committee.
- In addition, based on the survey results, the committee will do the following:
  - Develop best practice guides for Chairs, Secretaries, and Treasurers;
  - Create a handbook for new county organizations;
  - Work with Area Coordinators to organize “Leadership Summits” in the different areas of the state; and
  - Create an online group for County Organization Support.
- The next County Org. Support Committee meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2019.

Submitted By:  
David Naranjo  
Committee Chair, County Org. Support Committee

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## LNC Region 4 Report

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**Report Date:** May 18, 2019

**LNC Region 4 Representative:** Jeff Hewitt

### **LNC Report for CALP ExCom Meeting May 18, 2019**

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Next LNC meeting is @ J.W. Marriott in Austin Texas on 7/27 and 7/28. This will be the sight of our 2020 National Convention May 21-25, 2020.

On Nov. 16 and 17, 2019 LNC will have a budget meeting in Miami Florida.

Last meeting was in Alexandria, Virginia on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

May 4<sup>th</sup> the National Party had a river cruise with Chris Rufer on his boat for a meet-up and fundraiser. Approximately 30 people flew in from all over the country and had a good evening. It was similar to the meet-up with Patrick Byrnes in Salt Lake City, Utah on Jan. 12.

After the Executive Director Wes Benedict resigned late last year, Lauren Daugherty stepped in as interim E D and got party from deficit to balanced budget in 3 months.

On March 25<sup>th</sup> Chair Nick Sarawak chose Daniel Fishman from over 30 qualified candidates for our new E D.

2020 theme contest in March raised \$24,007 for TANSTAAFL (There ain't no such thing as a free lunch) beating out "Ancapistan". Thanks to Daniel Hays.

As of today, 32 states have ballot access with a lot of work to secure the other 18.

Texas legislature did not pass horrible law that would have made access twice as difficult.

Announced Presidential candidates include; Adam Kokesh, Arvin Vohra, Ben Leder, Kim Ruff, Vermin Supreme, Dan Berman, and many more unknown candidates.

Jeff Hewitt Region 4 Representative LNC

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# Candidate Support Committee Report

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Appointed by the Chair per the LPC Bylaws and Operating Procedures Manual**

**Committee Chair:** Mimi Robson

**Treasurer:** Emily Henkel-Tilford

**Secretary:** Angela McArdle

**Members:** Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle and Brent Olsen

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## Candidate Support Committee Purpose

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### **Bylaw 16: Campaign Financing**

The Executive Committee shall establish one or more Party campaign funds from which funds may be allocated to candidates of the Party. Such funds shall be independent of any campaign funds maintained by County Central Committees or other committees of the Party. The Campaign Committee shall have the discretion to allocate campaign funds among the various candidates. The campaign fund may also be used to support Party campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy.

### **Operating Procedures Manual**

#### **Candidate Support Committee**

Per Bylaw 16 the LPC shall establish at least one campaign fund which funds shall be allocated to candidates of the Libertarian Party, therefore The Libertarian Party of California Candidate Support Committee (LPC CSC) shall be formed to raise money to support qualified Libertarian candidates in California and/or support campaign publicity not specifically promoting an individual candidacy. (07/20/2006)

The Treasurer of this Committee shall not be an officer of the LPC, shall serve a term contemporaneous with the term of the Treasurer of the LPC, and shall be the Assistant Treasurer of the LPC FPPC Committee. (02/09/2019)

The members of the LPC CSC and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair. The Candidate Support Committee shall consist of seven members. (04/15/2019)

The Candidate Support Committee shall be charged with:

- 1) Determining which non-federal candidates to support
- 2) Review the unrestricted account records for accuracy and assist the LPC's treasurer with timely filing of Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) reports (02/09/2019)

## Mission Statement

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*Promoting registered Libertarians who pledge to proclaim and implement the Statement of Principles of the Libertarian Party of California as candidates for public office in California; to that end the Candidate Support Committee shall raise money throughout the year to support our candidates and help elect Libertarians to public office.*

## Committee Goals

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The Candidate Support Committee has been working on realistic goals to help promote both the Candidates and the Libertarian Party itself. We have been working on developing strategies to reach out to members and donors to become monthly donors; this will insure a consistent revenue stream. We have also been working to plan and execute fundraising events which include dinners and online campaigns.

## Executive Overview

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The Banquet at the Convention this year raised over \$8,000 for the Candidate Support Committee, bringing the current balance in the account to 18,831.93. We are now getting \$273 per month in reoccurring donations which brings us to \$3,276 annually, however I'm hoping we can increase this and the committee plans to do additional outreach to increase the number of monthly donors. If you haven't already done so, please consider giving at least \$5 per month.

Jay Beeber is running for Los Angeles City Council and is on the June 4<sup>th</sup> ballot. He was able to raise over \$20,000 dollars which meant he got matching funds from the City of Los Angeles of six times that amount giving him more than \$140,000 in his campaign account. He's received endorsements by The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, the John and Ken Show (KFI radio), and others. Tim Ferreira and Angela McArdle have taken the lead on helping Jay with this campaign and are organizing volunteers. If anyone can help out please contact them for more information.

## Meeting History

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- We have held meetings on the following dates:
  - April 15, 2019, Video Conference via Zoom, with Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle, Angela McArdle, Brent Olsen, Mimi Robson and Emily Tilford (non-voting member) in attendance.
  - May 6, 2019, Video Conference via Zoom with Tim Ferreira, John Ferrero, Mark Hinkle, Angela McArdle, Brent Olsen and Mimi Robson in attendance.
- Upcoming meeting: May 20, 2019 via Video Conference via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Honor "Mimi" Robson  
Chair  
Libertarian Party of California  
Candidate Support Committee

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# Volunteer Committee Report

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**Committee Chair:** Paul Vallandigham

**Members:** Wendy Hewitt  
Devin Harris  
Jillian Olsen  
Kevin Moore  
Mimi Robson, LPC Chair & Ex-Officio

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## Committee Purpose

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The purpose of the LPC Volunteer Committee is to expedite the connection of all potential activists and volunteers with local CA LP affiliates and campaigns near them in a convenient and systematic manner to grow our “army” of party members and volunteers in support of getting Libertarians elected to political office in California.

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## Committee Goals

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- 1) Insure that all inquirers/volunteers are provided with the necessary information to enable them to connect with their local affiliate and/or campaign (and notify said affiliates/campaigns that inquirers/volunteers have expressed an interest in the Libertarian Party) within 7 days or less after the committee receives initial notification of said inquiry/offer to volunteer. In support of achieving Goal #1:
- 2) Develop & maintain an accurate database of local affiliates and campaigns that includes preferred contact information/person for each affiliate and each campaign seeking volunteers within California.
- 3) Develop & maintain an accurate log/database of Committee member interactions with persons residing in California who have expressed an interest in receiving information from the Libertarian Party and/or have expressed an interest in volunteering for the Libertarian Party.

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## General Overview

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During this reporting period, all inquiries and volunteer offers have been received from the following sources:

- 1) LP National Office: [volunteers@lp.org](mailto:volunteers@lp.org); [inquiries@lp.org](mailto:inquiries@lp.org)
- 2) LPC Office: [inquiries@ca.lp.org](mailto:inquiries@ca.lp.org); [volunteers@ca.lp.org](mailto:volunteers@ca.lp.org); [Survey Monkey](#)

Composition of the Committee has changed during this reporting period, as member Kenneth Brent Olsen submitted his resignation from the committee, effective 7 Apr 2019 in anticipation of his new duties as Vice Chair and new members Jillian Olsen and Kevin Moore have come on board.

Responses to the Survey Monkey inquiry source that was created during the previous reporting period were not included in the previous report and are included in this report.

As you can see from the charts at the end of this report, during this reporting period, the committee has not only met, but exceeded its goal of responding to all inquiries within seven days or less (when factoring out the Survey Monkey data that was not delivered to the committee until well after 7 days of collection), as the maximum lag time during the period for all but one response (10 days) was 4 days or less (98% of the goal of seven days or less). Unfortunately, the rate of responses within 1 day or less has fallen from 92% during the previous reporting period to just 37% during the current reporting period (when factoring out the Survey Monkey data). The mean lag time was 1.19 days

Time did not permit updating the bar graph and line graphs in previous reports, but will be included in subsequent reports if at all possible.

### **Meeting History**

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There have been no meetings of the Volunteer Committee since the last Volunteer Committee report to the Executive Committee, written on 26 Jan 2019. The committee has, however, been processing inquiries as usual and has, in addition, created a Volunteer Application that has been posted to the website for anybody interested in volunteering for positions on the state level (e.g., standing committees). The intent of creating this application process is to provide an opportunity for more LPC members to get involved and to spread the workload (especially for committees) beyond members of the Executive Committee in order to make task completion more likely.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul K. Vallandigham, Chair

LPC Volunteer Committee

## Current Report Statistics from Google Volunteer Spreadsheet

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**Reporting Period:** 25 Jan 2019 to 8 May 2019

**Total Contacts:** 91

### Contacts from each Source:

**National:**

**inquiries@lp.org:** 8

**volunteers@lp.org:** 11

**LPC:**

**inquiries@ca.lp.org:** 17

**volunteers@ca.lp.org:** 17

**Survey Monkey:** 39

### Inquiry → Response Lag Time (in days), factoring out the Survey Monkey data:

**Minimum:** 0

**Maximum:** 10

**Mean:** 1.19

**Median:** 1

**Mode:** 1

### Contacts by Committee Member (per GoogleSheet entries as entered by Committee Member)

**Devin Harris:** 47

**Wendy Hewitt:** 27

**Paul Vallandigham:** 13

**Jillian Olsen:** 0 (recently joined)

**Kevin Moore:** 0 (recently joined)

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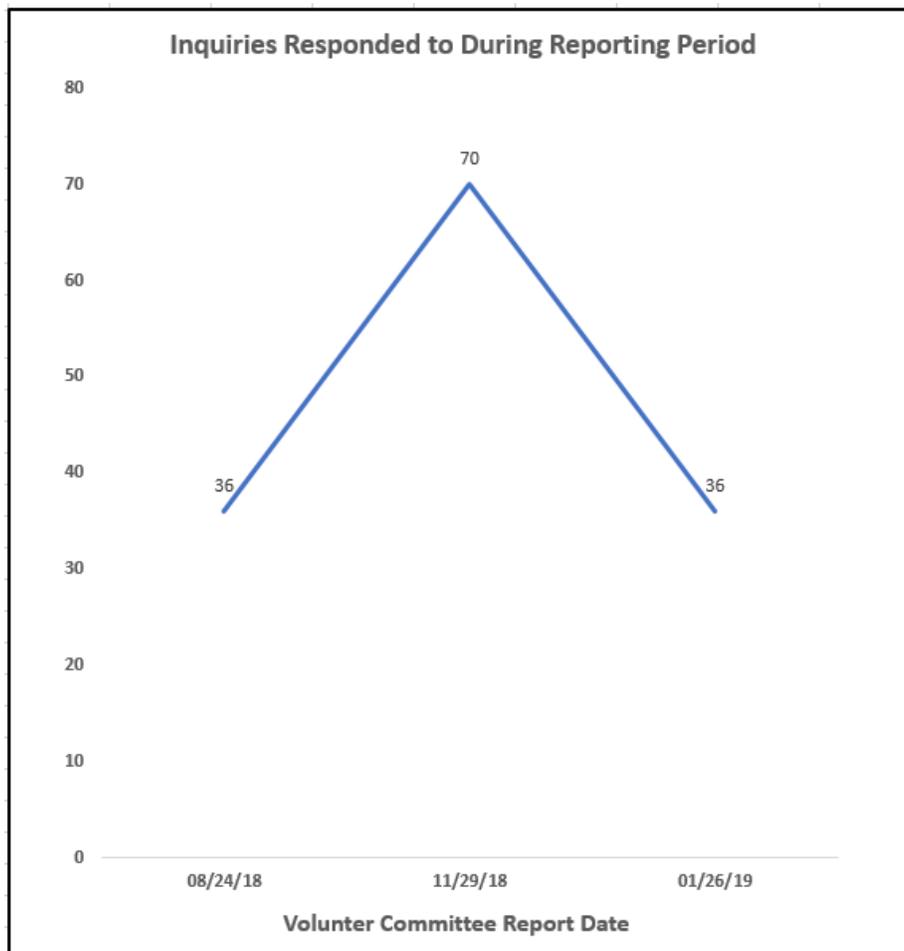
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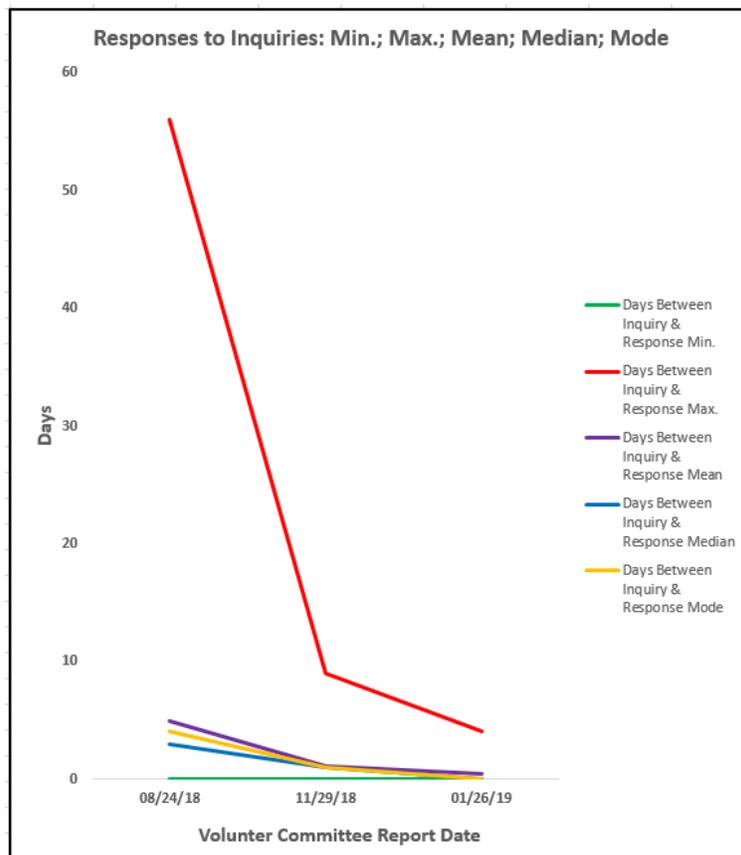
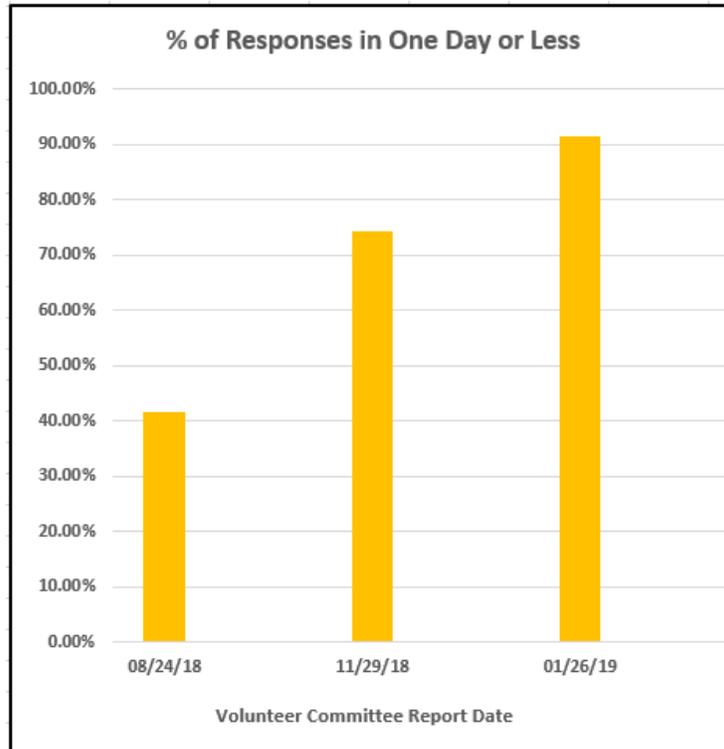
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<b>Lake:</b>	<b>San Diego:</b> 7	<b>Yolo:</b>
<b>Lassen:</b>	<b>San Francisco:</b>	<b>Yuba:</b>
<b>Los Angeles:</b> 23	<b>San Joaquin:</b> 2	
<b>Madera:</b>	<b>San Luis Obispo:</b> 1	<b>Unaffiliated:</b> 1

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## Volunteer Committee Report Appendix J

Volunteer Committee Report Date		08/24/18	11/29/18	01/26/19	05/11/19	5/11/19 w/o SM
<b>Inquiries During Reporting Period</b>		36	70	36	91	52
<b>Response Times of 1 Day or less</b>		15	52	33	19	19
<b>% of Responses in 1 Day or less</b>		0.42	0.74	0.92	0.21	0.37
		08/24/18	11/29/18	01/26/19	05/11/19	5/11/19 w/o SM
<b>Days Between Inquiry &amp; Response</b>	<b>Min.</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Max.</b>	56.00	9.00	4.00	14.00	10.00
	<b>Mean</b>	4.91	1.12	0.47	6.54	1.19
	<b>Median</b>	3.00	1.00	0.00	2.00	1.00
	<b>Mode</b>	4.00	1.00	0.00	14.00	1.00





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# Historical Preservation Committee Report

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**Committee Chair:** Joe Dehn  
**Members:** Bill Hajdu  
Gail Lightfoot  
Jon Prosser

## Committee Meetings

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We held two meetings since our last report, on 23 February and 23 March.

We continue to do most of our work by e-mail and via LPedia.

## Progress on Projects

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Our plan of work and the status of various projects is documented on our LPedia page at:

[http://lpedia.org/Libertarian\\_Party\\_of\\_California\\_Historical\\_Preservation\\_Committee](http://lpedia.org/Libertarian_Party_of_California_Historical_Preservation_Committee)

Since our last report, we have made significant progress in scanning and uploading issues of past state newsletters; there is a chart on our page showing details of this. The biggest obstacles to completing this project are (1) locating a complete set of the earliest newsletter

("CaLiber") and (2) scanning the issues of the newsletters which were published in tabloid format for which we only have hardcopy.

(Tabloid-format newsletters are more difficult to scan both because of the size of the pages and the type of paper.) We would be happy to hear from anybody who might be able to help us with either of these things.

We assembled a display for the state convention which both highlighted what we are trying to do and provided many samples of historical items for attendees to see. This included a display board with lists of conventions, state chairs, candidates for governor and US Senate, graphs of registered Libertarians and central committee members, a list of past state newsletters along with how many issues are online so far, and the "first two years" article from 1974. Also on the table were a notebook containing outreach material, some historical buttons and bumper stickers, and extra copies of The Libertarian Alternative. The backdrop consisted of two LPC

banners used at past events. Also posted on the wall was an outreach poster produced by the LPSF.

In preparing for that display we were able to create an essentially complete graph of Libertarian voter registration from the time of the original registration drive to the present. The record of dues-paying state membership (central committee membership and/or all donors), however, is very spotty for significant periods -- although we did produce and display a graph of what we had, I don't expect we will be able to make much more progress on this until we have had a chance to process detailed minutes and officer/committee reports from those periods.

We have had considerable discussion, but not made as much progress as I hoped, on identifying people who can help us with gathering and organizing material relating to local groups. We are looking both for people who would be willing to volunteer to work on this for their own county/region, and people who may have material that would be useful and that they would be willing to share with us even if they don't want to spend time working on it. There is a chart on our page showing who we have identified so far, but it's still pretty sparse.

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# Libertarian

Party of California  
2018 Convention



April 27-29, 2018

Long Beach Marriott

4700 AIRPORT PLAZA DRIVE | LONG BEACH, CA 90815



# 2018 Long Beach Convention

April 27-29, 2018

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# 2018 Convention Committee

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**Report Date:** 05/18/2019

**Committee Chair:** Honor “Mimi” Robson

**Members:** José Castañeda, Chuck Hamm, Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Gail Lightfoot, George Reis and Thom Taylor

## Mission Statement

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*Our mission is to plan and execute the 2018 Libertarian Party of California Convention. The ultimate goal is to increase membership and participation of the Central Committee and to promote the Libertarian Party of California and its candidates to the people of California.*

## Meeting History

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We have held meetings on the following dates:

- July 13, 2017, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Chuck Hamm Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance.
- July 27, 2017, Video Conference via Urban Airship, with Chuck Hamm Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance. Andrea Mata also attended as a guest.
- August 29, 2017, Video Conference via Urban Airship, with Chuck Hamm Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance.
- November 15, 2017, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Chuck Hamm Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance. Tony Tylor also attended as a guest.
- December 17, 2017, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, George Reis, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance. Tony Tyler and Zachary Moore attended as guests.
- January 17, 2018, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, George Reis, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance. Tony Tyler, Zachary Moore and David Naranjo attended as guests.
- February 10, 2018, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Robert Imhoff, George Reis, Mimi Robson and Thom Tyler in attendance. David Naranjo attended as a guest.
- March 31, 2018, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Chuck Hamm Jennifer Imhoff, Robert Imhoff, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance.
- April 7, 2018, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Chuck Hamm, Robert Imhoff, George Reis, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance.

- April 21, 2018, Conference Call via LPC Conference Line, with Chuck Hamm, Robert Imhoff, George Reis, Mimi Robson and Thom Taylor in attendance

## Convention Timeline

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June 11, 2017	LPC Executive Committee approved the Long Beach Convention Proposal
June 11, 2017	LPC Chair named Mimi Robson Convention Committee Chair
July 13, 2017	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
July 27, 2017	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
July 28, 2017	Convention Contract with the Long Beach Marriott was signed
August 27, 2017	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
November 15, 2017	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
December 2, 2017	LPC ExCom Meeting at the Long Beach Marriot with tour
December 17, 2017	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
January 17, 2018	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
February 10, 2019	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
March 7, 2018	Meeting with Long Beach Marriot Event Planner, Patty Burns
March 8, 2018	Finalized Space Layouts for all Meeting Rooms
March 31, 2018	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
April 6, 2018	<a href="#">Marriot Room Block pricing extended for one week</a>
April 7, 2018	<a href="#">Convention Committee Meeting</a>
April 13, 2018	<a href="#">Marriot Room Block pricing ends</a>
<b>April 21, 2018</b>	<b><a href="#">Final Convention Committee Meeting</a></b>
April, 24, 2018	Finalized all Event Orders
April 27, 2018	Moved all AV Assets into On-Site Storage Room
April 27, 2018	<a href="#">Eventbrite Ticketing Cut-Off</a>
April 27, 2018	<a href="#">Friday Night Reception</a>
April 28, 2018	5:00 am AV Set-Up in all Rooms
April 28, 2018	<a href="#">Convention</a>
April 28, 2018	<a href="#">Convention</a>
April 18, 2018	Breakdown of AV Set-Up in all Rooms

## Event Contract

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The Event Contract with the Long Beach Marriott was negotiated and signed by the Chair, Ted Brown on July 25, 2017 Appendix A). Based on lessons learned from the 2017 Convention in Santa Clara, key points of the Contract were as follows:

- The contract was negotiated and signed well in advance of the convention to insure that an equitable agreement was reached before finalization.
- \$139.00 per night group room rate with 80 room nights available.
  - In 2017 the minimum number of room nights was not achieved (100 room nights) therefore the contract with the Long Beach Marriott was for 80 room nights with a minimum of 64 room nights (80% attrition) guaranteed without liability by the party to pay for rooms not booked.
  - Option to increase the rooms available in the block based on availability
  - Special concessions were negotiated to provide all hotel guests complimentary guest room internet, complimentary parking, complimentary shuttle service, and complimentary Wi-Fi for general session meeting space.
- All meeting room space rental fees waived if a minimum food and beverage amount of \$18,000 was achieved.
- All menu pricing was inclusive of taxes and fees which made pricing more affordable for attendees and offered the party the opportunity to make a profit.
- Internet pricing of \$1,500 for 1 10mb dedicated meeting bandwidth and \$150 wired internet connection for the weekend for the parties use in live-streaming the event.
- Bartender fees waived if \$500 or more is sold at each event.
- No hotel charges for audio visual if the party provides its own equipment.
- An additional room was furnished by the hotel, at no charge, for storage of equipment throughout the weekend.
- After hearing complaints that the menu options didn't include vegan/vegetarian options the committee worked with the hotel to have several options at every event.

## **Event Sponsorship**

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A sponsorship letter was sent out to high value donors to fund the hosted events during the convention and a total of \$7,350 was received from event sponsors.

- No hotel charges for audio visual if the party provides its own equipment.
- Several Sponsorship levels were offered
  - One Platinum level sponsorship was sold for \$5,000
  - One Gold level sponsorship was sold for \$750
  - Three Silver level sponsorships were sold for \$500 each
  - An additional sponsorship donation for \$100 was also received

## **Food and Beverage Requirement**

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The hotel contract included an \$18,000 minimum requirement for food and beverage sales to insure that all meeting spaces were free of charge. The menu pricing was all inclusive of taxes and fees. It was determined that to provide the best value for attendees and to insure the minimum sales were met, we would offer options that included continental breakfast each morning. In addition the committee felt that the hosted Friday night reception should include better food choices and sponsorship opportunities were offered to insure the cost of food would be covered.

The end total spent on food and beverage was **\$22,801.00** which exceeded the \$18,000 minimum.

**Friday Reception**

Mixed hot and cold hors d'oeuvres	\$ 1,772.00	
Hosted Bar (for Pre-Reception)	\$ 159.00	<b>\$1,931.00</b>

**Friday Reception**

Mixed hot and cold hors d'oeuvres	\$1,854.00	
Cash Bar	\$1,091.00	<b>\$ 2,945.00</b>

**Saturday**

Continental Breakfast (101 @ \$29)	\$2,929.00	
Mediterranean Lunch Buffet (61 @ \$49)	\$2,989.00	
Saturday Plated Dinner (87 @ \$60)	\$5,220.00	
Bread	\$ 72.00	
Cash Bar	\$ 748.00	<b>\$11,958.00</b>

**Sunday**

Continental Breakfast (101 @ \$29)	\$2,929.00	
Mexican Lunch Buffet (62 @ \$49)	\$3,038.00	<b>\$ 5,967.00</b>

**Guest Room Requirement**

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Per the contract negotiated with the hotel, a room block of 80 rooms (40 each night) were reserved and the party was responsible for booking a minimum of 80% of those rooms (64 room nights) with a cutoff date of April 6, 2018. It was agreed that the hotel would increase the block of rooms, as necessary, based on availability. There were a total of 133 room nights sold for the event.

- The initial block of 80 rooms was filling by March 15, 2018 and an additional 20 rooms were added to the block
- The additional 20 room nights were filled by March 30, 2018 and the hotel agreed to continue booking rooms, if available, until April 6, 2018
- By the cutoff date 128 rooms were filled and we were able to call and add an additional 5 room nights at the last minute bringing the total to 133

## Event Breakdown

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### Friday Night Pre-Reception (6:00 pm-7:00 pm)

This was something that was meant to be an additional way to offset the costs of the hosted reception. Ticket holders and speakers were invited for an hour before the general reception to enjoy additional appetizers and a hosted bar (with tickets).

- 10 tickets were sold (\$500)

### Friday Night Reception (7:00pm-10:00pm)

The event was well attended with several speakers, including the Convention Sponsors. A variety of appetizers, with several vegan/vegetarian options, were served along with a cash bar.

- There was no official count of attendees however the capacity of the venue was 100 and it was full to capacity
- The total of drinks purchased from the cash bar was \$1,091 (the bartender fee was waived as we exceeded the \$500 minimum)

### Saturday Business (7:00am-5:30pm)

- The registration desk opened at 7:00am
- Breakfast was served from 7:30-9:30am, served in the lunch room
  - 101 packages were sold that included the breakfast buffet
- Judge Jim Gray delivered the keynote speech at 9:00am in the business room
- A total of 98 Central Committee Members registered as delegates on Saturday
- A separate speaker room was available with four speakers at various times held simultaneous with Party business
  - Maxine Doogan presented *Sex Workers at the Front of Speech for Everyone*
  - James Person presented *Allies No More: Why Conservatives are Not Our Friends and Allies*
  - Daniel Fishman presented *Life, Love and Libertarianism*
  - Sophia Cope presented *The Legality of Border Searches of Personal Electronic Devices*
- Lunch was served from 12:00pm-1:30pm in the lunch room
  - 61 packages were sold that included the Saturday Lunch Buffet
  - A debate was held with the LNC Chair candidates, moderated by Jim Turney
- A panel on *Strategic Solutions for Freedom Achieved through the Free Market* with Melinda Pillsbury Foster and Brock D'Avignon was hosted in the lunch room from 2:00pm-3:30pm
- An event for county affiliates was held from 4:00pm-5:30pm which featured a panel discussion was moderated by Larry Sharpe with Jeanine DeRose, Jennifer Imhoff, Angela McArdle and Emily Tilford as panelists

### **Saturday Governors Debate (6:30pm-7:30pm)**

Larry Sharpe moderated a debate between Governor Candidates Nickolas Wildstar and Zoltan Istvan.

- The event was held in the Ballroom just prior to the Banquet
- The event was well attended and the room was filled to capacity (approximately 100 attendees)

### **Candidate Support Committee Banquet (7:30pm-10:00pm)**

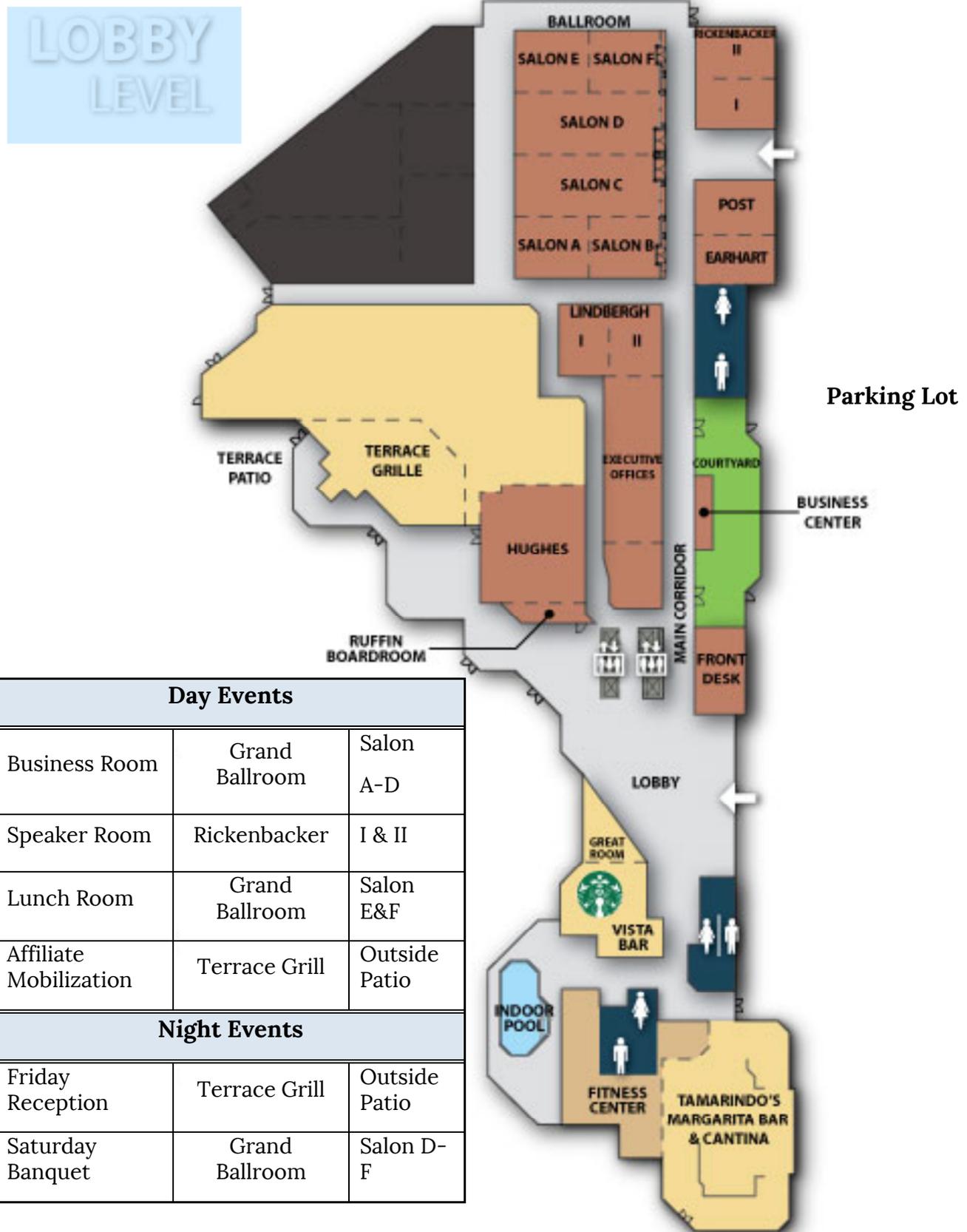
The Saturday night banquet, which benefited the Candidate Support Committee, was hosted by Larry Sharpe and featured several speakers and an auction.

- There were 87 people in attendance which included the guest speakers
- The total of drinks purchased from the cash bar was \$748 (the bartender fee was waived as we exceeded the \$500 minimum)
- The total amount raised for the Candidate Support Committee was \$8,090
- Two members upgraded to Life Membership for an additional \$2,000
- Total amount raised for the night was \$10,090
- Ed and Alicia Clark were featured guests at the event
- Featured speakers were Tom Campbell, Judge Gray, Nicholas Sarwark, and Richard Rider

### **Sunday Business (7:00am-5:30pm)**

- The registration desk opened at 7:00am
- Breakfast was served from 7:30-9:30am, served in the lunch room
  - 101 packages were sold that included the breakfast buffet
- LNC Party Chair, Nicholas Sarwark, delivered the keynote speech at 9:00am in the business room
- A total of 113 Central Committee Members registered as delegates on Sunday
- A separate speaker room was available with four speakers at various times held simultaneous with Party business
  - An elected officials panel with Jeff Hewitt, Susan Marie Weber, and Jim Turney
  - Avens O'Brien presented *Playing Nice on the Internet*
  - Kevin Shaw presented *The State of Sendorship! An analysis of Free Speek on College Campuses*
- Lunch was served from 12:00pm-1:30pm in the lunch room
  - 62 packages were sold that included the Sunday Lunch Buffet
  - Matt Welch hosted a Q&A with Governor Bill Weld
- A 2018 Candidate Forum was hosted in the lunch room from 2:00pm-3:30pm

**Hotel Map**

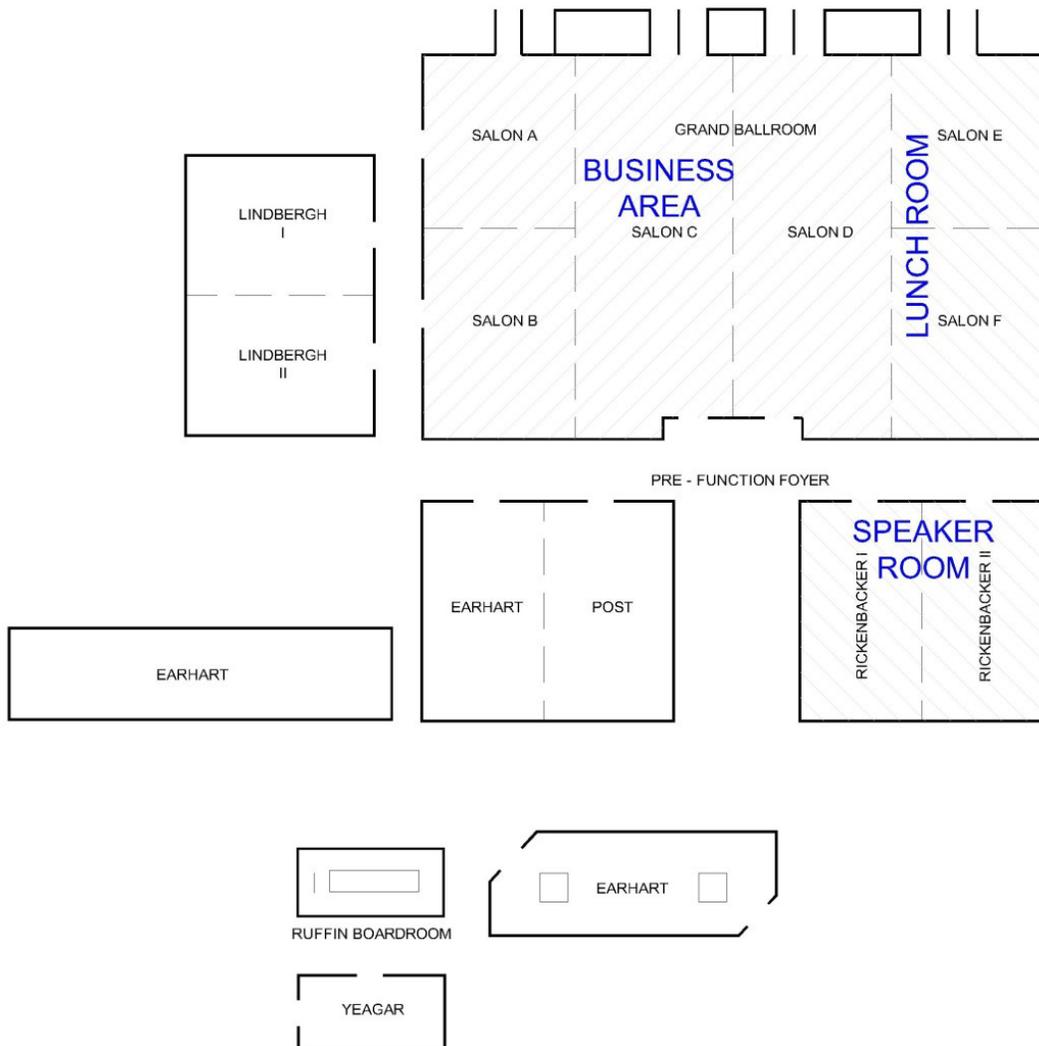


Day Events		
Business Room	Grand Ballroom	Salon A-D
Speaker Room	Rickenbacker	I & II
Lunch Room	Grand Ballroom	Salon E&F
Affiliate Mobilization	Terrace Grill	Outside Patio
Night Events		
Friday Reception	Terrace Grill	Outside Patio
Saturday Banquet	Grand Ballroom	Salon D-F

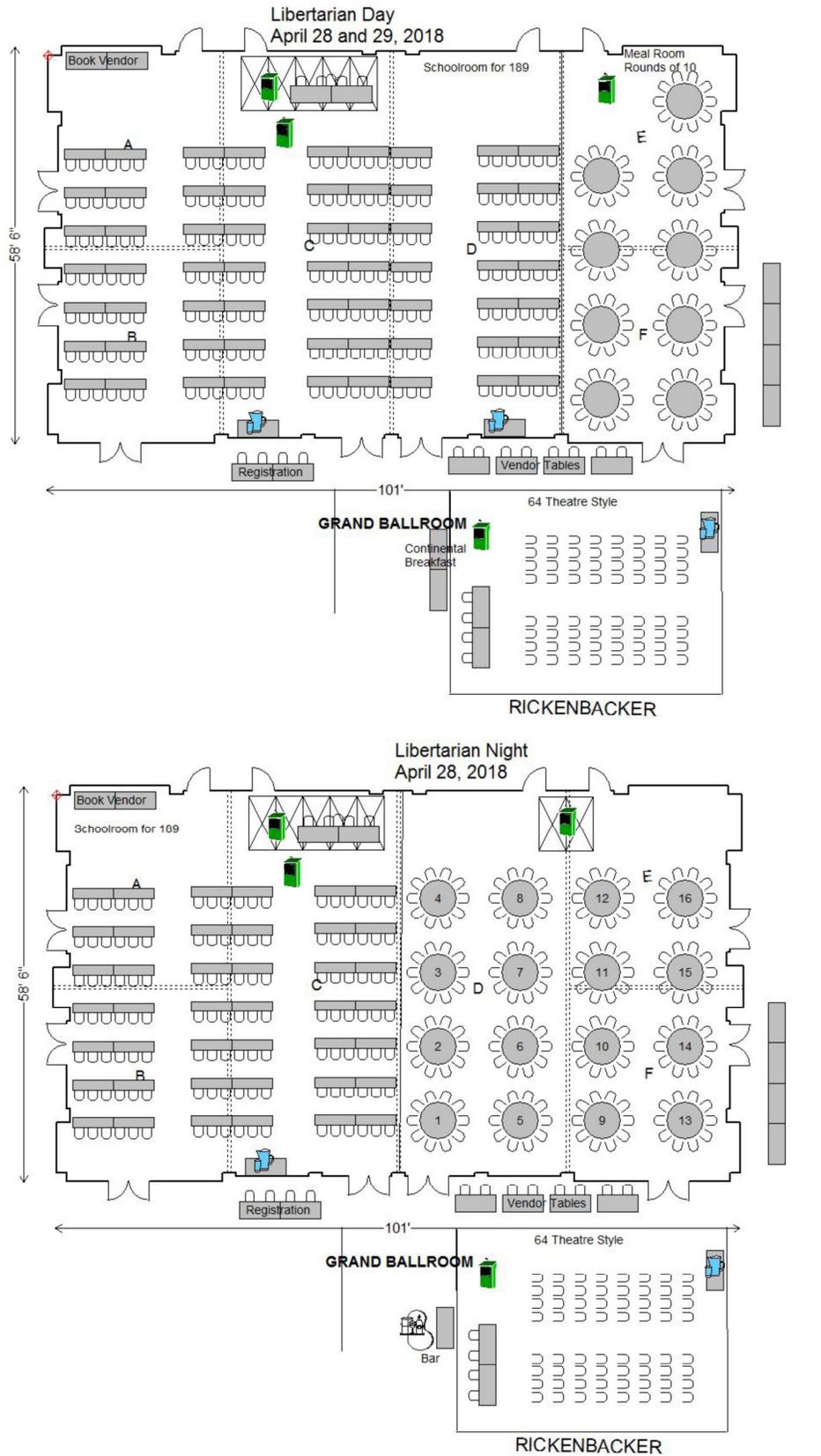
## Meeting Space

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### MEETING ROOMS



### Day and Evening Space Plans



## Convention Food and Beverage

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### Friday Food and Beverage

- Friday Night Pre-Reception; Meet and Greet with Speakers
  - Fresh Sliced Seasonal Fruit
  - Vegetable Crudités with Assorted Dips
  - Cheese Board with Crackers
  - Coconut Shrimp Tray
  - Vegetable Spring Roll
  - Mushroom Florentine
  - Assorted Jumbo Cookies and Brownies
    - Pre-Reception Food Total Cost; \$1,772
- Host Bar with Tickets
  - Imported Beer | 3 @ \$9
  - House Wine | 5 @ \$9
  - Premium Brands | 2 @ \$12
  - Top Shelf Cocktail | 2 @ \$12
    - Pre-Reception Host Bar Total; \$159
    - **Pre-Reception Total Cost; \$ 1,931**
- Friday Night Reception; Open to the Public
  - Vegetable Spring Roll
  - Artichoke Bottoms filled with Crabmeat
  - Assorted Canapes
  - Coconut Shrimp Tray
  - Feta & Sun-Dried Tomato Turnovers
  - Bruschetta on Focaccia Toast
  - Mushroom Florentine
  - Assorted Jumbo Cookies and Brownies
    - **Reception Food Total Cost; \$1,854**

**Reception Total Cost;       \$ 3,785**  
**Reception Cash Bar;       \$ 1,091\***

### Saturday Food and Beverage

- Marquis Continental Breakfast | \$29
    - 101 Sold;                 \$2,929
  - Mediterranean Buffet | \$49
    - 61 Sold;                 \$2,989
  - Banquet (Split Dinner menu with meal tickets) | \$60 plus Bread @ \$8/table
    - 87 Sold;                 \$5,220
    - Bread;                 \$ 72
      - Banquet Total;             \$5,292
- Saturday Total Cost;             \$11,210**  
**Reception Cash Bar;            \$ 748\***

#### Sunday Food and Beverage

- Marquis Continental Breakfast | \$29
    - 101 Sold; \$2,929
  - Mexican Buffet | \$49
    - 62 Sold;             \$3,038
- Sunday Total Cost;             \$ 5,967**

\* \$500 Bar Minimum Met; Bartender Fee Waived

#### Convention Statistics

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- **Total attendance**             253 Attendees  
  19 Speakers  
  123 Delegates
- **Events Attendance**           119 Speakers Access  
  87 Banquet
- **Packages Sold**
- **Floor Delegates**
  - There was no fee for Delegate Floor Access Only
  - 52 delegates pre-registered for \$0 floor only access
  - 123 delegates signed in as voting members during the weekend
  - 98 voting delegates were present on April 29, 2017
  - 113 voting delegates were present on April 30, 2017

**Convention Package Options:**

- **Delegate Business Only:**
  - Floor access for all Party Business
  - Delegate Badge
  - Stapled copies of Party Bylaws and Platform
- **Premium Package (the above plus the following):**
  - Continental breakfast both days
  - Speaker Access
  - Premium Badge with appropriate ribbons
  - Premium printed and bound materials to include speaker bios, etc.
- **Platinum Package (the above plus the following)**
  - Breakfast and lunch both days
  - Saturday night banquet

**Convention Package Pricing:**

- Incentives given for early purchase
- New membership discount included prior until the end of 2017 to insure all attendees have the ability to vote on Party business during the convention

<b>2018 Convention Packages</b>	<b>Prior to 10/31/2017</b>	<b>11/1/2017 - 12/31/2017</b>	<b>01/01/2018 - 04/06/2018</b>	<b>After 04/06/2018</b>
Business Access Only (no cost)	Free	Free	Free	Free
Student Access	---	---	\$15	\$15
Speaker Only Access	---	---	\$50	\$50
Premium Access (with breakfast)	\$85	\$100	\$110	\$125
Platinum Access (with breakfast, lunch and banquet)	\$285	\$300	\$330	\$350
Banquet Only	---	---	\$110	\$125
Friday Night Pre-Reception	---	---	\$50	\$50
Lunch Only (each day)	---	---	\$75	\$75
Volunteer	Free	Free	Free	Free
Press	Free	Free	Free	Free

2018 Package Sales	Number Sold	Amount
Business Access Only (no cost)*	52	\$0.00
Student Access	6	\$90.00
Speaker Only Access	18	\$915.00
Premium Package	54	\$5,520.00
Platinum Package	41	\$11,995.00
Banquet Only	27	\$2,890.00
Friday Night Pre-Reception	10	\$500.00
Lunch Only (each day)	5	\$375.00
Volunteer	4	\$0.00
Press	4	\$0.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>\$22,285.00</b>

**\* Additional delegate registered at convention that weren't included in the pre-sale total.**

### Audio Visual

Prior to the 2017 Convention in Santa Clara the Convention Committee recommended that the party should purchase audio visual equipment to save the rental fees charged by the hotel contractors. During the contract negotiation the hotel agreed to waive any audio visual fees usually charged if the client provides their own equipment. The only costs that were incurred by the party was for a dedicated 10mb internet connection and one wired connection in the amount of \$1,650.00. The party was also charged for the pipe and drape behind the main business stage in the amount of \$300 per day.

### Convention Parliamentarian

Per the LPC Bylaws, the Chair appoints a Parliamentarian for the convention and Kim Goldsworthy was retained. In lieu of his usual payment, he accepted payment in the form of a Platinum Convention Package and lodging. The cost to the party was \$319.70 for the room (2 nights) and a food cost of \$218.00 for a total of \$355.70.

### Convention Speakers

A total of 16 speakers were scheduled for the convention with one (Brando Eaton) not in attendance. No speaker fees were paid, but the party provided convention packages and hotel rooms for some of the speakers. The total cost to the party was \$3,140.95.

- The following speakers received sleeping rooms:

Nicholas Sarwark (2 nights)      \$319.70

Larry Sharpe (2 nights)	\$319.70
James Peron (2 nights)	\$319.70
Avens O'Brien (1 night)	\$159.85

- The following speakers received convention packages:

Nicholas Sarwark (Platinum)	\$218.00
Larry Sharpe (Platinum)	\$218.00
James Peron (Platinum)	\$218.00
Matt Welsh (Platinum)	\$218.00
Avens O'Brien (Platinum)	\$218.00
Jim Turney (Platinum)	\$218.00
Daniel Fishman (Platinum)	\$218.00
Jim Gray (Banquet for 2)	\$124.00
Tom Campbell (Banquet for 2)	\$124.00
Bill Weld (Banquet for 2)	\$124.00
Ed & Alicia Clark (Banquet)	\$124.00

The speaker list for the convention was as follows:



**Janine DeRose** will be speaking on behalf of our Platinum Convention Sponsor, Chris Rufer. Janine is the Libertarian Candidate for California State Senate District 6 and brings real world business expertise derived from years of co-managing large, multi-unit apartment buildings during which time she was named Outstanding Property Manager of the Year by For Rent Magazine. Equally important to Janine, is the ethical and transparent use of taxpayer resources.



**Dean Tom Campbell** is an American academic, educator and former politician. He is currently a Professor of Law at the Dale E. Fowler School of Law, and a Professor of Economics at the George Argyros School of Business and Economics, at Chapman University. Mr. Campbell is a former Republican US Congressman from California, and former member of the California State Senate.



**Sophia Cope** is a Staff Attorney on the Electronic Frontier Foundation's civil liberties team, working on a variety of free speech and privacy issues. She has been a civil liberties attorney for over a decade and has experience in both litigation and policy advocacy. Her writing has appeared in the New York Times, Guardian, Slate, and Huffington Post.



**Maxine Doogan** is a lifelong whore, trained the fine art of providing erotic services in the underground economies. A politics and social justice expert for the #whorenation, she has a background in the wrong end of the law, adult advertising, media whoredom and spent time traveling for work across the US and internationally. Her organizations include the Erotic Service Providers Union, Erotic Service Providers Legal and many others.



**Daniel Fishman** was born in Berkeley, CA and says that many people think that explains everything about him. He now lives in Beverly Massachusetts and has run twice for federal office. He is a member of the National Libertarian Party and is currently a candidate for Massachusetts State Auditor. He was heavily involved in the 2016 Johnson/Weld campaign and is featured in the Documentary, *I am Gary Johnson*.



**Jeff Hewitt** was asked to serve on the City of Calimesa Planning Commission in 2004, which was his first role in Public Service. In 2010 Hewitt ran for City Council, and is now the first Mayor of Calimesa to have been elected to a third consecutive term. Mayor Hewitt is currently running for Riverside County Supervisor for the 5<sup>th</sup> District.



**Avens O'Brien** is a 2nd generation libertarian activist, former Vice Chair of the LPNH, and current Los Angeles Chapter Leader of Ladies of Liberty Alliance. She has volunteered on LP campaigns both local and presidential since 2004, and is an active social media personality, writer, podcast guest and speaker. Her work can be found on <http://avens.me>.



**James Peron** is the president of the Moorfield Storey Institute and previously worked with the Pacific Research Institute, the Free Market Foundation of Southern Africa, and the Institute for Free Enterprise in Berlin. He has written for Reason, Libertarian Review and numerous other papers. He is author of *Liberty Reclaimed; Exploding Population Myths, Within Reason: Essays on Objectivism, Ayn Rand and Christianity* and other books.



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**Larry Sharpe** is an American business consultant and political activist. He was a Libertarian candidate for Vice President in 2016 and is currently the Libertarian candidate for New York Governor. He is founder and Managing Director at NeoSage. As Managing Director of The Neo-Sage Group, he builds his own business while helping his clients to thrive as leaders in their respective industries.



**Kevin Shaw** is a local free speech activist, and chairman of the San Fernando Valley Libertarian Party. His content is featured on various libertarian outlets, and he is Director of Journalism at Think-Liberty.com. He is currently engaged in federal litigation to fight unconstitutional free speech codes on California community college campuses.



**Jim Turney** is a long time Libertarian who served as LNC Chair from 1985-1987. In 2017 he ran, unopposed, for the Altamonte Springs City Commission, which is located in Florida and was elected to a 2-year term that will end in 2019.



**Susan Marie Weber** is the Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Palm Desert City Council. First elected to the city council in 2012 she was reelected in 2016 for a second four year term. No stranger to community involvement, Susan Marie was a Board Member of the Palm Desert High School Foundation from 1987 to 1994.



**Matt Welch** is editor at large of Reason, the libertarian magazine of “Free Minds and Free Markets.” He served as Reason’s editor in chief from 2008-2016. He is co-author, along with Nick Gillespie, of the 2011 book *The Declaration of Independents: How Libertarian Politics Can Fix What’s Wrong with America*, which Tyler Cowen called “the up-to-date statement of libertarianism.”



**Governor William Weld** is an American attorney, businessman, and politician who was the 68th Governor of Massachusetts from 1991 to 1997. He was the Libertarian Party’s nominee for Vice President of the United States in the 2016 election, sharing the ticket with Gary Johnson. Johnson and Weld were together the first presidential ticket since 1948 to consist of two state governors.

## Party Suite

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Based on lessons learned at the 2017 Convention, the Convention Committee and the Party Chair, Ted Brown, determined that a suite would be a place for speaker staging as well as a committee work space the party would purchase a suite. The cost of the suite for the weekend was \$1,354.70. Mimi Robson donated refreshments of beer, wine, water and snacks.

## Profit and Loss

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The Convention was profitable, although not as much as was originally reported. After all costs were paid the profit for the convention was \$1,705.10. However the total revenue from the banquet was \$10,090.00 therefore the total profit for the party was \$11,795.10.

<b>Income and Expense</b>		Total
<b>Expenses</b>	Food and Beverage	
	Reception Food	-\$3,626.00
	Reception Host Bar	-\$159.00
	Saturday	-\$5,918.00
	Banquet	-\$5,292.00
	Sunday	-\$5,967.00
	County Summit Meeting Room	-\$100.00
	IT (Dedicated for live stream)	-\$1,650.00
	Pipe and Drape	-\$600.00
	Suite	-\$1,354.70
	Speaker Rooms	-\$1,438.65
	Sponsorship Mailing	-\$850.61
	Banner and Signs	-\$181.08
	Ribbons	-\$166.10
	Badge Wallet	-\$303.39
	Pens	-\$323.37
<b>Total</b>	<b>-\$27,929.90</b>	
<b>Income</b>	Packages	\$22,285.00
	Sponsorship	\$7,350.00
		<b>\$29,635.00</b>
	<b>Net</b>	<b>\$1,705.10</b>



MARRIOTT  
LONG BEACH

Agreement

DESCRIPTION OF GROUP AND EVENT

The following represents an agreement between Long Beach Marriott, 4700 Airport Plaza Drive, Long Beach, CA, 90815, (562) 425-5210 and CA Libertarian Party.

ORGANIZATION: CA Libertarian Party  
CONTACT: Name: Honor Robson  
Job Title: Secretary  
Street Address: 770 L Street Suite 950  
City, State, Postal Code: Sacramento, CA 95814  
Country: USA  
Phone Number: (916)446-1776  
E-mail Address: hmrobson@ca.lp.org  
NAME OF EVENT: 2018 California Libertarian Party Convention  
REFERENCE #: M-99S54IB  
OFFICIAL PROGRAM DATES: Friday, 04/27/2018 - Sunday, 04/29/2018

GUEST ROOM COMMITMENT/GROUP ROOM RATES

The Hotel agrees that it will provide, and CA Libertarian Party agrees that it will be responsible for utilizing, 80 room nights in the pattern set forth below (such number and such pattern, the "Room Night Commitment"):

Attendees

Date	Day	Standard	Total Rooms
04/27/2018	Fri	40	40
04/28/2018	Sat	40	40

Start Date	End Date	Room Type	Single
04/27/2018	04/28/2018	Standard	\$139.00

*Hotel's Room Rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 15%) in effect at the time of check out.*

## SPECIAL CONCESSIONS

In consideration of the Room Night Commitment, the Hotel will provide Libertarian Party of California with the following Special Concessions:

- Complimentary Basic Guest Room Internet
- Complimentary Parking
- Complimentary Shuttle Service anywhere within 3 mile radius including the Long Beach Airport
- 50 Complimentary Wi-Fi Lines for General Session Meeting Space additional lines @ \$10 per line per day
- Rewarding Events: Earn up to a maximum 50,000 Marriott Rewards Points.
- Guaranteed 2017 Food and beverage pricing

## COMMISSION

The group room rates listed above is non commissionable.

## METHOD OF RESERVATIONS

Reservations for the Event will be made by *Individual Reservations*

## BILLING ARRANGEMENTS

The following billing arrangements apply: *Individuals to pay all own charges*. Please inform your attendees that the Front Desk will require a credit card for payment of incidentals upon check-in. Cash will not be accepted.

*Signed Group Sales Agreement and a valid credit card are required to hold these arrangements on a definite basis. Signed Agreement and Credit Card information are due on July 28, 2017*

## CUTOFF DATE

Reservations by attendees must be received on or before *April 06 2018* At the Cutoff Date, Hotel will review the reservation pickup for the Event, release the unreserved rooms for general sale, and determine whether it can accept reservations based on a space- and rate-available basis at the Libertarian Party of California group rate after this date.

Release of rooms for general sale following the Cutoff Date does not affect Libertarian Party of California obligation, as discussed elsewhere in this Agreement, to utilize guest rooms.

## NO ROOM TRANSFER BY GUEST

Libertarian Party of California agrees that neither Libertarian Party of California nor attendees of the Event nor any intermediary shall be permitted to assign any rights or obligations under this Group Sales Agreement, or to resell or otherwise transfer to persons not associated with Libertarian Party of California reservations for guestrooms, meeting rooms or any other facilities made pursuant to this Group Sales Agreement.

## ROOMS ATTRITION

Libertarian Party of California agrees that it will pay Hotel \$139.00 for each room night not utilized below 64room nights, plus applicable taxes, as a reasonable estimate of the harm the attrition will cause the Hotel. Hotel agrees that after receiving this payment, it will not seek additional damages

**CANCELLATION**

Libertarian Party of California agrees that if it cancels Room Block they will pay **Hotel \$8896.00 plus applicable taxes**, within 30 days after cancellation as a reasonable estimate of the harm the cancellation will cause the Hotel. Hotel agrees that after receiving this payment, it will not seek additional damages.

**FUNCTION INFORMATION AGENDA/EVENT AGENDA**

Based on the requirements outlined by CA Libertarian Party, the Hotel has reserved the function space set forth on the below Function Information Agenda/Event Agenda.

Date	Day	Start Time	End Time	Function Type	Setup	# People	Rental	Related Events
04/27/2018	Fri	4:00 PM	10:00 PM	Cocktail Reception	Rounds of 8	150	Waived	
04/28/2018	Sat	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Meeting	Theatre	60	Waived	8:00 AM - Coffee Break
04/28/2018	Sat	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Meeting	Rounds of 10	70	Waived	8:00 AM - Coffee Break 12:00 PM - Lunch
04/28/2018	Sat	8:00 AM	11:59 PM	General Session	Schoolroom	180	Waived	8:00 AM - Coffee Break 12:00 PM - Lunch
04/28/2018	Sat	6:00 PM	10:00 PM	Dinner	Rounds of 10	120	Waived	
04/29/2018	Sun	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Meeting	Theatre	60	Waived	
04/29/2018	Sun	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Meeting	Rounds of 10	70	Waived	
04/29/2018	Sun	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	General Session	Schoolroom	180	Waived	8:00 AM - Coffee Break 12:00 PM - Lunch

- *\*Hotel reserves the right to reassign specific function space*
- *All meeting room, food and beverage, and related services are inclusive of sales tax and service charge in effect on the date(s) of the event.*

**FOOD AND BEVERAGE ATTRITION/CANCELLATION**

Libertarian Party of California agrees that it will provide a minimum food and beverage revenue of \$18,000 (inclusive of applicable service charges and taxes) as part of the Event in order to waive all Room Rental Charges. In addition, if any food and beverage event is cancelled within 72 hours of its scheduled starting time, Libertarian Party of California agrees to pay Hotel 100% of the food and beverage profit guaranteed at 72 hours.

**DEPOSIT**

*A non-refundable advanced deposit of \$3,600.00 is required to hold these arrangements on a definite basis. Credit Card information is due on July 28, 2017 and will be credited toward your Master Account.*

**AUDIO VISUAL INTERNET PRICING:**

1 10mb Dedicated Meeting Bandwidth: \$1500.00
Wired Internet Connection: \$150.00
(Power Drop) 3R Distro L21-30 In 6 5-20 GFCI Out: \$250.00
Pipe and Drape: \$25.00 per foot
Power Strip Package: \$39.00

**EVENT DEPARTMENT**

Once the signed contract is returned to the Long Beach Marriott Hotel, one of our managers in the Event Service Department will be contacting you, who will assist you in planning the specifics for your event. This will include: menu selection, meeting room set-ups, audio/visual requirements, billing arrangements, parking procedures, and all other hotel logistic needs. I will continue to be at your service to provide any additional assistance that would be helpful to the planning process.

**GUARANTEE**

The final attendance must be received by the Catering office (3) three business days prior to your event. This number will be considered a guarantee, not subject to reduction, and charges will be made accordingly. The Hotel cannot be responsible for service to more than (5) five percent over the guarantee.

**LIQUOR LICENSE**

Libertarian Party of California understands that Hotel's liquor license requires that beverages only be dispensed by Hotel employees or bartenders. Alcoholic beverage service may be denied to those guests who appear to be intoxicated or are under age.

**FUNCTION SPACE AVAILABILITY**

Libertarian Party of California understands that early access to the function room for decorating is subject to availability and may incur an additional charge. In the event that the ballroom is occupied past the contracted departure time, a per hour fee will apply. (This is to accommodate possible events occurring before and/or after your event)

#### **DECORATIONS**

Smoke machines are not allowed on the hotel premises. For use of smoke or fog machines which results in a dispatch of the Long Beach Fire Department to our location, charges for the dispatch and false alarm will be Libertarian Party of California's responsibility.

The Long Beach Marriott Hotel does not allow the use of confetti. If confetti is used, there is a \$250.00 cleaning fee.

The client is responsible for placement of presentation materials, décor, favors, name cards and self-provided centerpieces. If assistance is required (in placing these items) a labor fee will apply.

All decorations incorporating candles must meet with the approval of the Long Beach Fire Department.

The hotel does not permit confetti or the affixing of anything to the walls, floors or ceiling of rooms with nails, staples, tape or any other adhesive substance.

#### **DAMAGE TO FUNCTION SPACE**

Libertarian Party of California agrees to pay for any damage to the function space that occurs while they are using it. They will not be responsible, however, for ordinary wear and tear or damage that it can show was caused by persons other than the Libertarian Party of California and their attendees.

#### **IN-HOUSE EQUIPMENT**

Hotel will provide, at no charge, a reasonable amount of meeting equipment (for example, chairs, tables, chalkboards, etc). These complimentary arrangements do not include special setups or extraordinary formats that would deplete Hotel's present in-house equipment to the point of requiring rental of an additional supply to accommodate Libertarian Party of California's needs. If such special setups or extraordinary formats are requested, Hotel will present Libertarian Party of California two (2) alternatives: (1) charging Libertarian Party of California the rental cost for additional equipment, or (2) changing the extraordinary setup to a standard format, avoiding the additional cost.

#### **USE OF OUTSIDE VENDORS**

If Libertarian Party of California wishes to hire outside vendors to provide any goods or services at Hotel during the Event, Hotel may, in its sole discretion, require that such vendor provide Hotel, in form and amount reasonably satisfactory to Hotel, an indemnification agreement and proof of adequate insurance.

#### **NOISE LEVEL COURTESY**

Due to the proximity to guestrooms and other public areas of the hotel, the hotel management reserves the right to control noise level of amplified speeches/announcements and music in our hotel. Should the guest/Vendor choose to ignore requests to lower the volume to an acceptable level, hotel reserves the right to ask the vendor to leave or terminate the event, without compensation to the guest.

#### **PERFORMANCE LICENSES**

Libertarian Party of California will be solely responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses or permission to perform, broadcast, transmit, or display any copyrighted works (including, without limitation, music, audio, or video recordings, art, etc.) that Libertarian Party of California may use or request to be used at the Hotel.

#### **FOOD TAKE OUT**

Libertarian Party of California agrees that all hosted food and beverage must be consumed in the banquet facilities. To ensure the safety of all the banquet guests, no food or beverage will be permitted to be taken out of the property.

#### **UNATTENDED ITEMS/ADDITIONAL SECURITY**

The Hotel cannot ensure the security of items left unattended in function rooms. Special arrangements may be made with the Hotel for securing a limited number of valuable items. If Libertarian Party of California requires additional security with respect to such items or for any other reason, the Hotel will assist in making these arrangements. All security personnel to be utilized during the Event are subject to Hotel approval.

**SIGNAGE**

Signage at the Long Beach Marriott is permitted in the Ballroom area and certain areas of the lobby. At no time will signs or banners be taped or otherwise affixed to the walls. Exception to any of the above must be approved by the Hotel. Signage must be professional in appearance. Handwritten signs are not permitted. A labor fee of \$30.00 per banner will apply for hanging of banners.

**COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

This Agreement is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, including health and safety codes, alcoholic beverage control laws, disability laws, and the like. Hotel and Libertarian Party of California agree to cooperate with each other to ensure compliance with such laws.

**CHANGES, ADDITIONS, MODIFICATIONS**

All changes, deletions, or stipulations including corrective lining out by either the hotel or Libertarian Party of California will not be considered agreed to or binding to the other unless such modifications have been initiated or otherwise approved in writing by the other.

**IMPOSSIBILITY**

The performance of this Agreement is subject to any circumstance making it illegal or impossible to provide or use the Hotel facilities, including acts of God, war, government regulations, disaster, strikes, civil disaster, or curtailment of transportation facilities. The Agreement may be terminated only for any one of the above reasons by written notice from either Hotel or Libertarian Party of California to the other within ten (10) days of learning the basis for termination.

**CANCELLATION**

Libertarian Party of California agrees that if it cancels the meeting it will pay Hotel 80% of contracted minimum guarantee within 30 days after cancellation as a reasonable estimate of the harm the cancellation will cause the Hotel. Hotel agrees that after receiving this payment, it will not seek additional damages.

**DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

This Agreement will be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State in which the Hotel is situated and the exclusive venue for any dispute arising out of this Agreement shall be in the county or city in which the Hotel is situated. Both parties will be responsible for their own costs related to any all legal costs and reasonable attorney fees as fixed by the Court, both at the trial and appellate levels, and in any bankruptcy case and post judgment proceedings. **To the extent allowed by law, the parties hereto hereby waive the right to a jury trial in any action or proceeding regarding this Agreement."**

**REWARDS PROGRAM - REWARDING EVENTS**

Approximately (10) business days after the conclusion of the Event (provided that the Event is not cancelled and Libertarian Party of California has otherwise complied with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement), the Hotel will either award Points or submit an award for airline miles to the Member(s) identified below:

Rewarding Events does not apply to Events booked by or on behalf of any governmental entity, including any federal, state or local agency or any other governmental body, and hotels may not award Points or airline miles to a government employee (or an intermediary booking on behalf of a governmental entity) in connection with the Rewarding Events program or otherwise in connection with planning, scheduling or contracting for an Event.

**CHECK ONE OPTION BELOW:**

- Award Points** to the Contact (as identified on page 1 of this Agreement or the Authorized Signer of this Agreement)  
Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Executive Committee LP of**

**California**

Rewards Program Member Number 252102449

- Award Airline Miles** to the Contact (as identified on page 1 of this Agreement or the Authorized Signer of this Agreement)

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rewards Program Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Airline frequent flier account number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of airline \_\_\_\_\_

- Decline to Award Points or Airline Miles.** The Contact and the Authorized Signer of this Agreement elect not to receive (and hereby waive the right to receive) an award of Points or airline miles in connection with the Event.

The number of Points or airline miles to be awarded shall be determined pursuant to the Rewards Program Terms and Conditions, as in effect at the time of award. The Rewards Program Terms and Conditions are available on-line at marriottrewards.com, and may be changed at the sole discretion of the Rewards Program at any time and without notice.

The individual(s) identified above to receive either Points or airline miles may not be changed without such individual(s)' prior written consent. By inserting the airline mileage account information, the recipient elects to receive airline miles rather than Points. All Rewards Program Terms and Conditions apply.

**SIGNATURES**

Approved and authorized by Libertarian Party of California.

Name: (Print) Ted Brown Signature: 

Title: (Print) Chairman Date: 7/25/17

Approved and authorized by Hotel:

Name: (Print) Lisa Triay Signature: 

Title: (Print) Group Sales Manager Date: 7/27/17

## 2018 Convention Report Appendix M

Income and Expense				
		Gross	Discount	Total
<b>Expenses</b>	F&B	-\$11,832.00	-\$1,774.80	-\$13,704.73
	Reception F&B	-\$3,780.00	-\$567.00	-\$4,378.30
	Reception Bar	-\$241.00	-\$36.15	-\$279.16
	Rooms-Friday	-\$500.00		-\$660.33
	Room-Contra Costa	-\$500.00		-\$660.33
	Room-Business	-\$500.00		-\$660.33
	Room-Contra Costa	-\$500.00		-\$660.33
	Room-Business	-\$500.00		-\$660.33
	IT-Saturday	-\$1,150.00		-\$1,518.75
	IT-Sunday	-\$150.00		-\$198.10
	Pipe and Drape	-\$800.00		-\$1,056.52
	IT-Labor and Delivery	-\$290.00		-\$382.99
	Bartender-Friday	-\$100.00		-\$132.07
	Bartender-Saturday	-\$100.00		-\$132.07
	Photo Copies-Hotel	-\$24.00		-\$24.00
	Suites	-\$1,308.00		-\$1,480.56
	Speaker Rooms	-\$1,090.00		-\$1,240.76
	Speaker Flight			-\$207.96
	AV Accessories			-\$57.30
	Index Cards and Cash Box			-\$53.00
	T-Shirts			-\$669.36
	Member Convention Mailing			-\$1,201.71
	Sponsorship Mailing			-\$1,189.95
	Banner			-\$79.56
	Badges			-\$520.41
	Pens, signs and Banners			-\$2,759.60
	<b>Total</b>			<b>-\$34,568.47</b>
<b>Income</b>	Hotel Refund			\$6.96
	Packages			\$40,075.00
	Convention Theme			\$683.01
				<b>\$40,764.97</b>
			<b>Net</b>	<b>\$6,196.50</b>