## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RULES COMMITTEE OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Grindle, Chair Andrew Kolstee, Secretary Mark Braiman Pietro Geraci Mark Glogowski Christopher Olenski

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

William Cody Anderson Brandon Lyon Lora Newell Gary Popkin

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m. by Paul Grindle, Chair. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Motion by Pietro Geraci to allocate ten (10) minutes to discuss revisions to Proposal AR2 was seconded by Mark Glogowski and passed by voice vote. The discussion was extended by five (5) minutes without objection.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to recommend Proposal AR3 as follows, indicated by struck text in orange and inserted text in pink, to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party was seconded by Mark Braiman and debated.

- 5.1. **General.** Members in of the Libertarian Party shall consist of registered voters who have enrolled in the Libertarian Party as provided by statute, unless otherwise provided in these Rules.
- 5.2. Failure by NYSBOE to Record Membership. If the New York State Board of Elections fails to properly record the enrollment of voters who indicated affiliation with the Libertarian Party, this section shall apply for membership. In such case, members of the Libertarian Party of New York shall be determined in accordance with this section.
- 5.2. **Membership Under Unrecognized Party Status.** If at any time the Libertarian Party is not a recognized political party under New York State Election Law, the members of the Libertarian Party shall be defined as any of the following, provided that such voter is not enrolled in another political party: (a) voters enrolled in the Libertarian

Party as listed by the New York State Board of Elections, the New York City Board of Elections, and/or individual County Boards of Elections and (b) voters as registered as a member of the Libertarian Party of New York through a membership form provided by the Libertarian Party of New York.

- 5.2.1. Confirmation. The State Committee shall confirm by majority vote that the New York State Board of Elections has failed to properly record enrollment of voters who indicated affiliation with the Libertarian Party.
- 5.2.2. First Year. After confirmation by the State Committee, members of the Libertarian Party shall consist of (a) voters as listed by the New York State Board of Elections, the New York City Board of Elections, and/or individual County Board of Elections within the previous year, and (b) voters as registered as a member of the Libertarian Party of New York through a membership form provided by the Libertarian Party of New York in which case such voter is not enrolled with the Board of Elections in another political party other than the Libertarian Party.
- 5.2.3. After the First Year. After one (1) year since the State Committee's determination, membership in the Libertarian Party shall only consist of voters who have registered as member of the Libertarian Party of New York through a membership form provided by the Libertarian Party of New York in which case such voter is not enrolled with the Board of Elections in another political party other than the Libertarian Party.
- 5.2.4.1. **Voting Eligibility.** To be able to vote in an primary election administered by the Libertarian Party of New York as outlined in these Rules, a Libertarian Party member must provide an email address to the Libertarian Party of New York.
- 5.2.5.2. **Availability of Information.** The membership list including name, date of birth, county, and zip code for each member shall be available upon request to other members. Individual members may choose upon registration to indicate that any other information be omitted from general any distribution to other members. Other information not requested for omission shall be included with the requested member list upon request. Individuals may request omission of email address for membership information requests but consent to use by the Elections Oversight Committee for Party Election purposes.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **extend the time of adjournment to 9:15 p.m.** was seconded by Mark Braiman and passed by voice vote.

Motion by Mark Glogowski to amend Proposal AR3 as follows, indicated by struck text in red and inserted text in blue was seconded by Andrew Kolstee, debated, and passed by voice vote.

5.2.4.1. **Voting Eligibility.** Members of the Libertarian Party must provide an email address to To be able to vote in a primary any election or meeting for the purposes of conducting business of administered by the Libertarian Party of New York as outlined in these Rules the Libertarian Party, a Libertarian Party member must provide an email address to the Libertarian Party of New York.

The time of adjournment was extended to 9:45 p.m. without objection.

Motion by Mark Braiman to amend Proposal AR3 as follows, indicated by struck text in red and inserted text in blue was seconded by Andrew Kolstee, debated, and passed 3—0—1.

5.2.5.2. Availability of Information. The membership list including name, date of birth, county, and zip code for each member shall be available upon request to other members. The email address for any member may be used exclusively for providing notice and mechanisms for participation in meetings and party elections, and for soliciting signatures on candidate petitions, unless the member explicitly indicates their email address may be used for other purposes as well. Individual members may choose upon registration to indicate that any other information be omitted from general any distribution to other members. Other information not requested for omission shall be included with the requested member list upon request. Individuals may request omission of email address for membership information requests but consent to use by the Elections Oversight Committee for Party Election purposes.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **extend the time of adjournment to 10:00 p.m.** was seconded by Pietro Geraci and passed by voice vote.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to amend Proposal AR3 as follows, indicated by struck text in orange and inserted text in pink was seconded by Mark Glogowski, debated, and passed by voice vote.

5.2.3. Restrictions on Party Use of Email Addresses of Members. The email address for any provided by a member for voter eligibility purposes may be used exclusively for providing notice and mechanisms for participation in meetings and party elections, and for soliciting member solicitation of signatures for Libertarian candidate petitions, unless the member explicitly indicates their email address may be used for other purposes—as well.

The original motion to **recommend Proposal AR3 as follows** passed by voice vote.

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Motion by Andrew Kolstee to recommend Proposal AU as follows to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party was seconded by Pietro Geraci and debated.

6.5.5. **ASSISTANTS.** The Secretary and Treasurer may appoint an Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer respectively in order to assist in their duties. Such appointment confirmed by the Executive Committee.

Motion by Christopher Olenski to **limit debate to one (1) minute** was seconded by Pietro Geraci and ruled out of order by the Chair.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to amend Proposal AU as follows, indicated by struck text in orange and inserted texted in pink was seconded by Pietro Geraci and passed by voice vote.

6.5.5. **ASSISTANTS.** The Secretary and Treasurer may appoint another member of the Libertarian Party to serve as Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer respectively in order to assist in their duties. Such appointment shall only be effective if must be confirmed by the Executive Committee.

The original motion to recommend Proposal AU as follows to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party passed by voice vote.

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Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **extend the time of adjournment to 10:15 p.m.** was seconded by Pietro Geraci and passed 2—1—2.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to schedule the next meeting of the Rules Committee for Sunday, September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. failed due to lack of a second.

There was no consensus to determine the next meeting of the Rules Committee.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **adjourn** was seconded by Mark Braiman and passed by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee, Secretary