

Libertarian Party of Pennsylvania

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Saturday, July 17, 2021

Executive Committee members in attendance-

Chair: Jennifer Moore

EVC: Adam Reinhardt

CVC: Bill Sloane

WVC: Sam Robb (partial attendance)

Treasurer: Nicole Schultz (following appointment)

Secretary: Bonnie Flaherty

Immediate Past Chair: Steve Scheetz

Voting members in attendance -

Adams/Franklin - Neil Belliveau

Allegheny Co. - Rob Cowburn

Berks Co. - Pete Schwarze

Bradford Co. - Greg Perry

Bucks Co. - Adam Nutter

Butler Co. - Lawrence Fine

Capitol Area - Luke Ensor

Chester Co. - Stephen Warhaftig

Delaware Co. - Gregory Burton

Lackawanna Co. - Damian Biancarelli

Lancaster Co. – Adam Galek
Lehigh Valley – Matt Schutter
Luzerne Co. – Michelle Merino-Taroli
Lycoming Co. – Ed Ploy
Monroe Co. - Joel Getz
Montgomery Co. - Marc Bozzacco
Northampton Co. – Svend La Rose
Philadelphia Co. – Robert Gerenser
Schuylkill Co. - Mitchell Mankiewicz
Susquehanna Valley - Ryan Bourinski
Westmoreland Co. - Bridget Reinsmith
York Co. - Timothy McMaster
Elections Committee – Chuck Moulton
Finance Committee – Dan Wassmer
Legislative Action Committee – Gus Tatlas
Media Relations Committee – Aaron Reinsmith
Membership Committee – Kristine Cousler-Womack
Information Services Committee - John Fetsko

Start Time: Called by Chairwoman, Jennifer Moore, 5:04 PM EST

The meeting opened up with a motion made by Bridgette Reinsmith to limit time to 1 minute for arguments during the meeting totaling no greater than 15 speakers in entirety, which was seconded by Ryan Bourinski. Svend La Rose objected and offered a friendly amendment to limit time to 2 minutes per person for argument. Ms. Reinsmith accepted the amendment. The motion passed.

Chairwoman Moore directed to the next item on the agenda; the approval of minutes from the previous meeting. John Fetsko motioned to strike the virtual chat history from the minutes. Marc Bozzacco seconded. Multiple objections were raised. Argument continues at length until Mr. Bourinski moved to call the question. The question was called. The motion failed, and debate continued. Rob Cowburn motioned to add an amendment to original motion to strike the chat history for this month, but to include it moving forward. Tim McMaster seconded. Mr. Fetsko objected to the amendment. Joel Getz moved to table the issue of amending the original motion. Mr. Bourinski seconded the motion. The amendment was tabled with no objections raised, after which Mr. Fetsko motioned to extend time of argument. This motion was seconded by Rob Cowburn. The motion failed, bringing the board back to the original motion. The motion failed 13/14, and the minutes were approved.

Chairwoman Moore shared the agenda on her screen for approval, during which Bridgette Reinsmith motioned to add nominations to fill the Treasurer vacancy to the agenda, which was seconded by Tim McMaster. The item was added. Svend La Rose motioned to add the possibility of holding a special convention to change bylaws to the agenda. Adam Reinhardt seconded this motion. Ms. Reinsmith moved to call the question as to whether or not to add this item to the agenda. This was seconded by an unknown member. The question was called. The motion passed 14/18, and the item was added to the agenda. Next, Sam Robb motioned to alter the agenda to move up Treasurer nominations so as to make it a priority. Joel Getz seconded this motion. Rob Cowburn offered a friendly amendment to add that public comment should come before the nominations, and Mr. Robb accepted. The motion to move nominations up on the agenda passed with only one objection. Kristine Womack motioned to move Treasurer nominations up to immediately follow the approval of the agenda, which was seconded by Adam Galek. The motion passed with only one objection. The agenda was approved at this point.

Chairwoman Moore next opened up the floor for nominations to fill the Treasurer vacancy. Steve Scheetz nominated Nicole Schultz. Marc Bozzacco nominated Rob Cowburn. Luke Ensor nominated Laura Hackenberg. Ms. Schultz and Ms. Hackenberg accepted their nominations, while Mr. Cowburn withdrew. Both candidates spoke to their qualifications entertaining questions from the board at length. After a vote was called, Nicole Schultz was named Treasurer of the LPPA with votes 25/6.

Chairwoman Moore opened up the floor to public comment, during which Mr. Bozzacco motioned to extend public comment 2 minutes to allow for all who wished to speak to do so, which was seconded. Joy Weir spoke, requesting any resources from members in

order to pass along to Affiliate Support committee, such as “How to run a campaign,” “How to start a bank account,” “How to host volunteer events,” etc. Joseph Van Wagner expressed displeasure with the time frame between Matt Baltzar’s resignation and the new Treasurer’s nomination. Tim McMaster delivered a report on York County’s successes. Drew Bingaman reported that he gave a 2 hour interview with Wes Benedict about his position as Constable, and offered to share that resource with anyone who may want to learn more about the position. Stephen Warhaftig offered thanks to Mr. Benedict for all of his hard work. One member spoke against a special bylaws convention, and multiple members spoke in favor.

Next, Chairwoman Moore directed the board to the next item on the agenda; nominations. Chuck Moulton delivered a presentation on the candidates up for nomination in unorganized counties by sharing a spreadsheet onscreen. Mr. LaRose motioned to nominate the entire slate of candidates. Mr. Scheetz seconded. Dr. Moulton objected due to issues surrounding multiple candidates being eligible for certain positions. Mr. Scheetz motions to amend the original motion to allow for the elections committee to decide on nominations. Mr. LaRose withdrew his original motion, and motioned that the elections committee be appointed with the power to nominate for unorganized counties on behalf of the board, which was seconded by Mr. Scheetz. Lawrence Fine motioned to amend to divide in order to nominate 19 candidates now and allow for the Elections Committee to nominate any future candidates. Mr. LaRose accepted the amendment. No objections were raised and the motion passed.

Next on the agenda, Chairwoman Moore lead the board to a Tie-Breaker nomination for John Waldenberger in which Bucks County had nominated him for Telford Borough council, yet Montgomery had rescinded the nomination. Mr. LaRose nominated Mr. Waldenberger, and Ms. Womack seconded. Mr. Bozzacco stated that Mr. Waldenberger’s nomination was not rescinded, as reported. Mr. Galek moved to table this item, which was seconded by Ms. Womack. The item was tabled.

The meeting moved next to the Central Vice Chair’s report, in which Bill Sloane reported that he was working on Blair County organization. He also reported that Potter County had a meeting to adopt bylaws and elect officers. Mr. Sloane moved that Potter county be recognized provided that their documents were submitted properly, as they had not yet been remitted to the Secretary. Ms. Reinsmith seconded this motion. No objections were raised and Potter County was recognized.

Secretary, Bonnie Flaherty, relayed the Western Vice Chair report provided by Sam Robb in his absence. Fayette is discussing the possibility of merging with Green County.

A social event is being planned in Mercer County in order to gauge interest in organizing a committee there.

The meeting moved back to John Waldenberger's nomination as tabled earlier. This item was discussed at length. It was determined that Mr. Waldenberger's nomination had not been rescinded. There was no action for the state board to make.

Membership committee requested volunteers for making phone calls to members.

John Fetsko of Information Services motioned to raise \$500 for improvements to the CiviCRM, which would be followed by a request to LNC to match. Rob Cowburn seconded. No objections were raised, and the motion passed.

Mr. Fetsko requested that the board consider promoting Liz Terwilliger's event titled "Perspectives on Freedom." Kristine Womack motioned to promote, which was seconded by Nicole Schultz. Multiple members spoke in favor of this promotion. Discussion surrounding the legality was held at length. Dan Wassmer reported that this would be illegal. Mr. Fetsko withdrew his motion.

The meeting was next moved to committee nominations, during which Mr. La Rose nominated Ed Reagan to Information Services. Mr. McMaster seconded. Mr. Fetsko expressed an objection, after which Mr. LaRose withdrew his nomination.

Svend La Rose nominated John Waldenberger to the Finance Committee, which was seconded by Kristine Womack. One objection to the procedure was raised. Mr. Waldenberger was added.

Next on the agenda was a motion to create a Convention Improvement Committee submitted by John Fetsko. This was seconded by Marc Bozzacco. Mr. Fetsko spoke to the motion at length. Svend La Rose motioned to postpone this indefinitely with a second from Steve Scheetz, citing that there was no need for a new convention committee as there is already a Convention Oversight committee. Several objections were raised. Debate was held. The question was called, and the motion to postpone indefinitely passed.

Sam Robb submitted a motion to create a Candidate Support committee, but as he had to leave the meeting early, Kristine Womack motioned to table this item until Mr. Robb was present to speak to his motion. Joel Getz seconded this motion. Only one objection was raised. Discussion was held. The motion to table passed 21/6.

Svend La Rose motioned to hold a special bylaws convention. Adam Reinhardt seconded the motion. This item was discussed and argued at length. Mr. LaRose then

motioned to recess the meeting until August 7 in order to take this matter up at a later date. It was seconded by Adam Reinhardt. The motion failed.

John Fetsko motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Rob Cowburn. The motion passed 20/9, and the meeting was adjourned by the Chairwoman at 9:15 PM EST.

Minutes prepared by Secretary, Bonnie Flaherty.