

Minutes for the Regular Meeting
The Interim State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York
Held on Sunday October 27, 2019 at 7:00 pm by teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Jim Rosenbeck, Chairman.

In attendance

Jim Rosenbeck

Tucker Coburn

Fred Cole

Lora Newell

Mark Glogowski

Mike Arcati

Jeff Motta

Jason Loveland

Mike McDermott

Steve Minogue

Todd Haggary

Andrew Hollister

Steve Becker

Richard Bell

Gary Popkin

Mark Potwora

Jim Harris

Duane Whitmer

Mark Sargent

The Chairman determined majority being present, there was a quorum to proceed.

Secretary's Report

The secretary moved to waive the reading of the prior minutes and approve minutes from 5/19/19, 6/9/19, 6/30/19, 7/14/19, 7/28/19, 8/25/19, and 9/29/19. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Chairman's Report

The Chair reported that Ilya Schwartzburg resigned his position on the ISC to focus on his role of Chair of the New York County ICO. Mr. Schwartzburg recommended the appointment of Mark Sargent to the ISC in his place.

Motion by Mr. Potwora, second by Mr. Harris, to elect Mark Sargent to the ISC for the First Judicial District. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The Chair spoke about being contacted by LP National regarding the need to make an appointment by November 30 to fill New York's seat on the national platform committee.

The Chair spoke about the options available to the ISC about the options available under election law for choosing delegates to the national convention.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to postpone a decision on how to elect delegates for two weeks until the next meeting. Seconded by Mr. Minogue. The motion was defeated 16-2.

Motion by Mr. Cole to allow for the ISC elect delegates to the national convention pending a rules change to be considered at a meeting two weeks from now. Seconded by Mr. Haggarty.

Motion by Mr. Popkin to amend the motion by striking the entire wording and replace it with the following:

“RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE 2020 LIBERTARIAN PARTY NATIONAL CONVENTION
WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Interim state committee of the Libertarian Party of New York to provide for the election of delegates and alternates to the 2020 Libertarian Party national convention WHEREAS article 12.3 of the Libertarian Party of New York Rules states that ‘There must be at least one (1) delegate from each congressional district that will be elected at the Spring primary. All remaining delegates are elected AT Large by the State Committee.’

“WHEREAS Chapter 290 of the New York State election law requires that ‘a rule or resolution of a state committee providing for the selection of delegates and alternate delegates to a national party convention or national party conference in the year 2020 shall select either section three or section four of this act in order to conform to the rules a national committee.’

“WHEREAS Chapter 290 also requires that “A certified copy of such rule or resolution shall be filed with the state board of elections no later than 22 weeks before the presidential primary.

“WHEREAS the interim state committee met on this date for the purpose of selecting a method to provide for the election of delegates and alternates to the 2020 national convention.

“Now, therefore be it resolved that the Libertarian Party of New York selects section four of the Chapter 290 of the New York state election law providing for the election of 27 congressional district delegates (one per congressional district) to the national convention at the April 28th 2020 NYS presidential primary and electing all remaining delegates and alternates At Large by the state committee.”

Seconded by Mr. McDermott. The amendment failed 11-7.

The main motion failed 11-7.

Motion by Mr. Popkin to adopt the following resolution:

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Seconded by Mr. McDermott.

Objection to considering the question by Mr. Coburn. The motion failed 9-7-2.

The main motion failed 10-7-2.

Mr. Cole called for orders of the day.

Motion by Mr. Harris to extend for 10 minutes to hear his funding report. Seconded by Mr. Popkin. Motion to amend by Mr. Potwora for 15 mins to include his report accepted as a friend amendment. This was seconded by Mr. Popkin. The motion passed 9-8.

Fundraising Sub Committee Report

Mr. Harris reported that small numbers of contributions continue. He spoke about sending mail to enrolled libertarians in the near future.

Interim County Outreach Report

Mr. Potwora moved to charter Chenango County, Kings County (Brooklyn), and Schoharie County as ICOs. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 pm.

The meeting minutes were prepared by Fred Cole.