

Minutes for the Special Meeting
The Interim State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York
Held on Sunday, August 30, 2020 at 7:00 pm by teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm by Tony D’Orazio, Chair.

In attendance

- Tony D’Orazio
- Tucker Coburn
- Steve Minogue
- Fred Cole
- Lora Newell
- Mark Glowgowski
- Ilya Schwartzburg
- Richard Bell
- Jeff Motta
- Jim Harris
- Duane Whitmer
- Todd Haggarty
- Andrew Kolstee
- Cody Anderson
- Millie Dordal

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

Convention Committee Report

Motion by Mr. Motta to appoint the following committees to the 2020 convention and organization meeting, each with power to add additional members:

- Convention Committee, composed of Jeff Motta as chair
- Program Subcommittee, composed of Jeff Motta as chair
- Convention Arrangements Subcommittee, composed of Jeff Motta as chair
- Credentials Subcommittee, composed of Andrew Kolstee as chair
- Rules Subcommittee, composed of Andrew Kolstee as chair
- Resolutions Subcommittee, composed of Mark Glogowski as chair.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Kolstee to recommend the adoption of the proposed Special Rules of Order to the September 2020 convention and organization meeting. Seconded by Mr. Minogue. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Motion by Mr. Kolstee to nominate the following individuals to the office of Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States:

William C. Anderson, Robert M. Arrigo, Mark N. Axinn, Erin M. Becker, Rachel E. Becker, Richard Bell, Kari R. Bittner, Mark S. Braiman, Jay A. Carr, Tucker C. Coburn, Anthony D'Orazio, Daniel P. Donnelly, Milva E. Dordal, Pietro S. Geraci, Paul M. Grindle, Mark E. Glogowski, Shawn Hannon, Andrew M. Kolstee, Peyton D. Kunselman, Brandon G. Lyon, Leonard E. Morlock, Lora L. Newell, Gary S. Popkin, Thomas D. Quiter, Ilya Schwartzburg, Paul C. Sechrist, Larry D. Sharpe, Duane J. Whitmer, and Kevin A. Wilson; and furthermore appoint William C. Anderson, Anthony D'Orazio, and Andrew M. Kolstee as a committee to fill vacancies. Seconded by Mr. Minogue.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to amend to add Lora Newell and Fred Cole to the committee on vacancies. Seconded by Mr. Kolstee. The amendment passed unanimously.

The main motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dr. Glowgowski to adopt the special rules that were mailed out. Seconded by Mr. Whitmer.

Motion by Mr. Cole to table until the next meeting. Seconded by Mr. Haggarty. The motion failed 3-13.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to divide out 6.7.5, 6.11.4.1, 6.11.5.1, 9.3.4.1, 12.5.1, 13.8.1, and 13.8.2 into separate questions. Seconded by Mr. Kolstee. Motion passed on a voice vote.

The main motion passed 10-3-2.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 6.7.5:

6.7.5. STATE COMMITTEE MEMBER. Should a vacancy exist on the State Committee, the position shall be vacant until filled by a majority vote of the State Committee. Nominations for filling any vacancy may be submitted to the Secretary at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting in which the filling of the vacancy shall be considered. Once the filling of vacancies begins, the Credentials Subcommittee shall present the nominations they received. Subsequent nominations may be made on the floor prior to the election to fill such vacancies. The Chair shall request that each nominee is qualified to fill the vacancy, and accept the nomination in order to be entered into nomination to fill the vacancy they seek.

Seconded by Mr. Kolstee. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 6.11.4.1:

6.11.4.1. Seven calendar days notice shall be given. A waiver of notice whether signed before or after a meeting, or attendance without protesting a lack of notice, shall preclude any objection on this ground.

Seconded by Mr. Haggarty. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 6.11.5.1:

6.11.5.1. Only the State Committee may approve meetings to be held in-person at dates, times, and locations to be determined by the State Committee. In-person meetings shall be open to full public observation.

Seconded by Mr. Kolstee. The amendment was defeated 4-9.

The main motion is to adopt the following language as 6.11.5.1:

Only the State Committee may approve meetings to be held in-person at dates, times, and locations to be determined by the State Committee.

The main motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 9.3.4.1, the language change was accepted as a friendly amendment:

The first notice is to be sent to the mailing address, email address, and/or telephone number on record at the County Board of Elections. The expense of mailing can be reduced by sending a notice by telephone but cannot be given by leaving a message. Any notice given by a text message should be acknowledged as having been received. The first notice must also include a clear statement of how notice of subsequent meetings will be provided.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 12.5.1, the language change was accepted as a friendly amendment:

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DELEGATES. At least one (1) delegate from each New York State Congressional District is to be elected at the Presidential Primary in any year when such a primary takes place. All remaining delegates are to be elected At-Large by the State Committee one month before petitions for the Presidential Primary begins. Vacancies shall be filled thereafter in accordance with these Rules.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Cole to extend 10 minutes. There was no objection.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 13.8.1, the language change was accepted as a friendly amendment:

The joint meeting must occur no later than seven (7) days after petitioning begins. The Chair of any two of the County Affiliates may collectively call the meeting by giving at least a seven (7) days notice to all the other Chairs in the multi-county district.

The motion passed 7-6.

Motion by Mr. Coburn to adopt the following as 13.8.2, the language change was accepted as a friendly amendment:

Each County Affiliate shall be entitled to send a delegation to a joint meeting to select a candidate. The delegation shall consist of two delegates from each County Affiliate plus an additional delegate for every 100 enrolled Libertarians residing within that district in each county. There shall be no proxy voting. This meeting may be held remotely. Each attendee shall have one vote. If seven calendar (7) days notice is given, a quorum is whatever number of enrolled Libertarians is present when the meeting is called to order.

Motion by Mr. Cole to extend for 10 minutes. There was no objection.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Kolstee to recommend the adoption of the Rules of the Libertarian Party to the September 2020 convention and organization meeting. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Kolstee to allocate up to \$300 to send a copy of the recommended Rules of the Libertarian Party to the State Committee Members-Elect. Seconded by Mr. Bell.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Haggarty: Any member of the State Committee seeking an authorization to expend Party funds, in excess of \$500, shall make a good faith effort to notify by email with at least forty eight hours notice all remaining State Committee members of their proposal. Seconded by Mr. Coburn.

Motion by Mr. Minogue to extend by 10 minutes. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The main motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Cole to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Newell. The motion passed on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:23pm.

The meeting minutes were prepared by Fred Cole.

