



T LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF COLORADO

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2021 January LP Board Minutes

Email Motions Passed

None.

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm.

Agenda was approved as written.

December 2020 minutes were approved.

Calendar Items - Spalding reported no new calendar items.

Attendees

Victoria Reynolds, Eric Mulder, John Hjersman, Bette Rose Ryan, Steve Gallant, John Pickerill, Joshua Lallement, Mark Cavin, Bruce Griffith, Mike Spalding, David Aitken, Mike Quinlan, Marc Montoni, Ross Klopff, Kevin Gulbranson, Michele Poague, Blake Lawler, David Gold, Stephen Porter, Blake Huber, Caryn Ann Harlos, Wayne Harlos, Marc Goddard

Public Comment

Frank Atwood - Liaison to Center Right Coalition.

Blake Lawler - New Member - Wants to get involved and help however she can.

Wayne Harlos - He wanted to express his frustration with how the Constitution and Bylaws committee was constituted.

Caryn Ann Harlos - She'll wait for the agenda item to address her issue.

David Gold - Blockchain Entrepreneur - here to see how state business is conducted.

Stephen Porter - New Member - He would like to get involved with this party and help it grow.

Blake Huber - Approval Voting Party - They've grown to almost 3,000 members. He is now rejoining the Libertarian Party. He wants to help recruit disaffected members of other parties.

Affiliate Representatives

Eric Mulder - Representing **Arapahoe** County - They will be holding Arapahappy Hour online at 6:30 tomorrow. They will have a guest from the Washington State Libertarian Party. Mulder is soliciting candidates. The board meeting will be at 6pm.

Kyle Furey - Representing **Denver** County - Their annual meeting will be on the 19th at 6:30pm. The link will be on their Facebook page.

Caryn Ann Harlos - Representing **Douglas** County - Special Board meeting tomorrow. They will discuss passing a vote of no-confidence in the State Party. They also feel the Bylaws committee is being run inappropriately.

John Hjersman - Representing **El Paso** County - They had their annual convention Saturday. Their new chair is Nathan Foutch and the secretary is Ed Duffett. They've experimentally adopted Martha's Rules of Order as their parliamentary model.

Ross Klopff - Representing **Jefferson** County - Monthly meeting will be on the 21st at Holiday Lanes at 7pm. They will also host zoom guests. The link is posted on their Facebook page. They will discuss the banning of Ron Paul and others. They will also address scary new New York legislation and their bylaws.

John Pickerill - Representing **Pueblo/Otero** County - Next meeting is the 19th at the Senate Bar and Grill. Jim Wriley will be taking over.

Without objection the board proceeded to a presentation by Steve Gallant.

Steve Gallant moved that we solicit a determination from our Parliamentarian. This was approved without objection.

Mark Goddard - Parliamentarian - found that we violated the bylaws with all appointments subsequent to those chosen at the November meeting. These are invalid as they were not at the time of formation. Caryn Ann noted that the board could specify the definition of the time of formation. Victoria noted that the appointments of Jefferson County and Boulder County affiliates are also invalid.

Bruce Griffith moved that Hjersman's point of order be read into the minutes. This passed with one objection. He rescinded his motion. However this was ruled out of order.

John Hjersman - Point of order- A motion has been adopted that conflicts with the bylaws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado, namely, Article V - Committees, Section 3. Each chartered affiliate may appoint one (1) member to the committees. Should an affiliate not appoint its committee member, the Board of Directors may appoint an additional at-large member at the time of committee formation.

The C&B Committee was formed at the November LPCO Board Meeting. An additional at-large committee member was appointed at the December LPCO Board Meeting, in clear violation of the stipulation to do so at the time of committee formation. Per parliamentary authority, any action so taken is null and void, RONR 251.25.

A point of order can be made at any time during the continuance of the breach, RONR 251.6.

Victoria ruled that the point of order is in order. John Pickerill appealed this ruling. The appeal was seconded by Bruce Griffith. The question was called and the yes vote to call the question was unanimous.

The appeal itself failed:

For: Membership, Communications, Outreach

Against: Vice, Treasurer, Affiliates, Fundraising, Campaigns, Secretary

Director's Reports

Chair - Victoria Reynolds - nothing to add to her report

Vice Chair - Eric Mulder - On the 6th he participated in an excellent presentation from National on campaigning. Here's a link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR3kjiwKsGUPDbqaaEJ91peKyJTQFoSt2UPvnFNrkunxCQ7RWMauVxWJ9fo&v=Ih4_dIM4S1c&feature=youtu.be

Treasurer - John Hjersman - nothing to add to his report

Fundraising - Bette Rose Ryan - In addition to her report they are working on a 50th anniversary event.

Campaigns - Bruce Griffith - nothing to add to his report

Outreach - Mark Cavin - He reminded everyone that Thursday is the inaugural Leadership Form on zoom. He will not be running for another term. Tonight's activities are an example of why he will not continue.

Affiliate Development - Steve Gallant - In addition to his report he thanked several folks who have stepped up to run development groups.

Legislative - vacant -

Membership - John Pickerill - In addition to his report he made a statement indicating that he is not here to split hairs over bylaws. He wants to fight for liberty and he will not be continuing with another term. He feels there are many serious threats to liberty and it is important to fight now.

Communications - Joshua Lallement - nothing to add to his report

Secretary - Mike Spalding - nothing to add to his report.

LNC - Caryn Ann Harlos - They adopted a social media policy for volunteers. She's concerned about transparency. They will be investigating various alternative voting methods.

Committees

Technology - Mike Quinlan - nothing to add to his report

Database - David Aitken - nothing to add to his report. He did encourage local affiliates to post their meetings on the website.

Platform Committee - Caryn - She was elected permanent chair at their previous meeting last Sunday.

Constitution and Bylaws - Bette Rose Ryan - They are continuing their work sessions. They haven't made any actual changes at this time. They will start voting as soon as they complete reviewing the documents. Hjersman moved that, since the convention is now in May, and since the bylaws say we need to appoint the members 4 months before the convention, we should recognize the previous affiliate appointments to the Bylaws committee. A vote to allow Caryn Ann Harlos to speak again passed with 4 objections. After some discussion John Hjersman withdrew his motion. Pickerill noted that withdrawing a seconded motion was not allowed. The question was called

successfully. The following voted no on the motion: Vice, Treasurer, Secretary, Communications, Membership, Affiliates, Fundraising, Outreach and Campaigns.

Convention - Bette Rose Ryan - The convention will be May 21st - 23rd at the Denver West Marriott. Tickets will go on sale by the end of the month. Cavin noted that anyone who wants to vote as a member would need to register as a Libertarian by February 20th.

Legislative Director - Victoria Reynolds - She noted that no official applications have been received. Eric Mulder moved that we not appoint anyone until applications have been received. This passed without objection.

New Business

Constitution and Bylaws - Victoria Reynolds - Complaint asked that a person using profanity be censored. She declined to censor but noted that anyone at any meeting could be ejected for uncivil behavior.

Voter Registration Disk - David Aitken - Motion to spend \$50 to purchase a disk passed without objection. Spalding suggested that it be purchased after the last date a voter could register as Libertarian to vote in the convention.

Delta Affiliate - John Hjersman - Bruce Griffith moved to disaffiliate the Delta Affiliate because they are inactive and have no members. Gallant said they did an email blast and have tried to find members, but that there is no interest. After the reading of several passages from the documents, the motion was modified to instead send a 30 day notice to Delta demanding that they come into compliance. The question was called without objection. The motion passed without objection.

The meeting adjourned at 9:09pm.

Spending Motions

\$50 Voter Registration Disk