

Libertarian Party of Colorado
Board Meeting Minutes
April 11th, 2016

Called to order at 7pm.

Attendees: Jack Woehr, Nathan Grabau, Mike Spalding, Jeff Orrok, David Aitken, Ken Wyble, John Hjersman, Wayne Harlos, Jay North, Caryn Harlos, Clayton Casciato, Michael Stapleton, Mike, Richard Longstreth, Candidate Casper Stockham and family, Frank Atwood, Dan Chrissman, Aline Marie Brugger-Cochran, and Lily Williams

The agenda was approved.

A motion was made to approve the minutes. Caryn Harlos objected as she had extensive modifications. Her modifications were tabled for next month.

Public Comment

Casper Stockham presented his campaign strategy and asked for our support. He has worked with Lily Williams. Frank suggested a debate with Libertarian Darrell Dinges.

Frank Atwood – attended Center Right Coalition as our liaison. He reported that Natalie Menten is hosting an RTD town hall. Also Frank will be debating Approval Voting against Ryan Call

Director Reports

Jeff Orrok moved to limit board reports to 30 seconds. It was agreed that director reports would only include items not in the written reports submitted before the meeting.

Chair - Jay North - Jay reminded everyone that donations of money and time are both important.

Vice Chair - Wayne Harlos - see report

Treasurer - John Hjersman - John pointed out that donation button doesn't force address collection. Campaign finance laws require addresses for donations over \$20.

Regions – Richard Longstreth - see report

Campaigns – Jack Woehr – The Secretary of State let us slide on some of the candidate paperwork deadlines. We have 30 candidates. And we have two slots that the vacancy committee can fill. Caryn asked for all the candidates signed statements of principles. Jeff requested that each director think of what kind of programs they would like to run.

Communications – Caryn Harlos - see report.

Records – Mike Spalding – Spalding moved to allow candidate access to Nation Builder. Jeff Orrok seconded. Jeff moved to postpone to after agenda item f in response to Jay's request.

Legislative – Michael Stapleton – The bill to allow student medical marijuana passed out of committee. The prohibition on student data collection is still in committee.

Committees

Social Media - see Communications

Technology - Clayton Casciato - purchased webcam as part of push to develop better call in solutions

Special Orders

None

Old Business

Caryn brought NAP (Non Aggression Principle) and SoP (Statement of Principles) agreements to be signed by all new board members.

New Business

Outreach Director - Aline Cochran ran for Outreach. She has extensive experience and has already started interacting with the Weld County group. Dan offered to work with her. Jay moved and Mike seconded her appointment. She was approved without objection.

Fundraising - Craig Thighe - Jay and Caryn spoke of his qualifications. Caryn mentioned he has been doing Twitter. Jay moved and Caryn seconded his appointment. He was approved without objection.

Constitution & Bylaws - Jay North proposed the board send out a call for constitution and bylaws committee members. The nominations would end on June 13th or, with email voting, May 16. Jeff seconded and moved to strike the May 16 option. Jay accepted the friendly amendment. Caryn was opposed to such a short time frame. She asked that we push this out to the June board meeting. Jay accepted the friendly amendment. Caryn asked if this would apply to the platform committee. And Jay and Richard agreed. Jeff seconded the modified motion and it passed by acclaim. Jay moved for the same dates for platform. Richard seconded and without objection this also passed.

Standing Rules - Jay proposed that we wipe all standing rules to get rid of all the unknown ones from the past and allow a fresh start. Jeff was concerned that we would lose many valuable rules. Jay was concerned that there is no record of all the standing rules. Richard asked where the documents were. Caryn agreed and added that she has not been able to find them. She felt that we functionally did not have them. Jack pointed out that the only document was blank. Wayne moved that a committee appointed by Jay would develop a new set for the next meeting.

NationBuilder – We are currently paying \$179 per month. North said we should pay \$2090 for a year and that that would provide special permissions so everyone is not at administrator level. There are 3 affiliates willing to chip in \$15 each per month. That would leave our cost at an equivalent of \$150 per month. John confirmed we had enough money. Jay moved that we pay for an entire year. Jeff seconded. Caryn wanted the affiliates to make a commitment. Nathan and others offered to cover. The motion passed immediately.

Candidate access to NationBuilder - Spalding moved that candidates have access to NationBuilder for a fee of \$1 per month per candidate. Nathan said that our goal as a party is to run candidates. He felt that we should make this tool available. Caryn moved that we make the fee a one time \$10 per user per election. Jeff seconded and it passed unanimously. Jack was concerned that we shouldn't violate our policy by giving out personal info on our members. Richard said we shouldn't allow people to send newsletters to members without them opting in. Jay said there would be an agreement that would limit usage. John pointed out that we don't get email addresses from the SOS. Richard said they voluntarily gave their email addresses. The original motion passed (again).

Jay moved to add the user agreement to the agenda. The vote was unclear. Jeff said our standing rules would have required a role call vote.

Storage - Jay asked where we could move the outreach material. Caryn moved we table this to next month. Jack seconded. Jay expressed concern that we are overstaying our welcome. Aline volunteered to store outreach materials in her garage. Spalding proposed we pay Stephanie and John. Wayne said we should move the stuff to Jay and Marie houses. John offered a trailer to move and store our stuff. Jay said John's trailer could be parked on Jay's property.

Website Protocol – There was a request that NationBuilder accounts to be named by position. Jay said this had been solved.

Go Daddy – Our hosting account expires in a couple days. There is not enough time to transition our website to NationBuilder. Caryn proposed that we continue to pay for Go Daddy. Jay said the total for a year would be \$108. The motion passed.

Volunteer Leads - Caryn said we are wasting the leads we are getting from National. Jeff said he would develop a procedure to handle the flow.

Yearly Strategy Meeting - Jay said we need this to look at the year's activities. Wayne proposed that we use email to schedule this. Jay asked that everyone email no go dates.

Outreach Supplies - Caryn said we are short on supplies for outreach booths this season. She raised \$250 for outreach. She moved that the board give her the \$250 to restock. Jay agreed that ethically we should use it for outreach supplies.

Douglas County Outreach - Caryn moved that the state party reimburse the \$85 spent on the Gun Show booth. This passed.

Western Conservative Booth - Stapleton moved that we share a \$1000 booth with Lily Williams for July 1st - 3rd. Williams felt that this year would be a good one to have a presence at the Western Conservative Convention. Jack felt that we would be perceived as supporting a candidate. Jay said actually she was subsidizing us. He also said all candidates could use it. Jack said we don't have the money. Caryn said we have a \$600 donation specifically for outreach. Richard said as a candidate he had no concerns and that he felt this was a great opportunity. Stapleton and Jack said they would support this if it were available to all candidates. Jack asked that we not require candidates to pay for space. Jeff asked how many at the convention would be open to the Libertarian message. Lily said

there are many open minded young folks and many disaffected Republicans. Wayne said we need more information and Stapleton asked if they would allow us time to decide. Caryn moved we postpone this to the next board meeting and discuss via email. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jeff moved and Jack seconded a motion to adjourn. This failed.

Jack moved that we only discuss the User Agreement. This failed for lack of a seconded.

Jeff mentioned O and P did not need discussion.

Disposal of Cabinets – after a description of their condition, there was no objection to disposal of old file cabinets.

Libertarian Leadership - Jay introduced Nathan. Nathan said that the Libertarian Leadership group might be able to provide commission-based fundraising. He will provide a proposal at the May meeting.

User Contract - Jay started to introduce the contract. Jack said it wasn't legal and it was ridiculous and juvenile and he moved that we dispense with it. This died for lack of a second. Caryn asked that board members not make fun of others. Jay responded that an attorney wrote it. Jay moved that we approve the user agreement. Spalding seconded. John pointed out that the users have no say. Caryn asked that we accept the contract as is including "Clause 13 – The State Sucks". She pointed out that contracts often have ideological clauses. Spalding seconded. The roll call vote was tied. Jack said he wouldn't sign it. Richard said we haven't had time to look at the contract. Wayne agreed. Jay moved to postpone to the next meeting. Jeff seconded and this motion passed.

Wayne moved to adjourn. His motion passed at 9:15.