## Minutes of the March 6, 2016 Meeting of the State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York held by WebEx and telephone conference call

## Members in attendance

Mark Glogowski, Chair

Chris Padgett, Vice-Chair, Elections Campaign Committee, 2016 National Platform Committee Representative

Jim Rosenbeck, Vice-Chair, Chapter Development Committee

Blay Tarnoff, Secretary

Gary Triestman, Treasurer, Telecommunications Officer

Kevin Wilson, At Large, Budget and Strategic Planning Committee

Chris Edes, At Large, Webmaster/Web Editor, Communications and Media Committee, Candidate for Lieutenant Governor

Chris Garvey, At Large

Gary Popkin, Brooklyn Representative

Thomas Timmons, Capital District Representative

Andrew Kolstee, Chautauqua County Representative

Edward Garrett, Erie County Representative

Mark Potwora, Genesee County Representative

Steve Becker, Greater Rochester Representative

Jan-Erik Janson, Hudson Valley Representative

Gary Donoyan, Nassau County Representative, LPNY Attorney

Steve Walsh, Niagara County Representative

Hesham El-Meligy, Staten Island Representative

Jim Harris, Suffolk County Representative

## Members not in attendance

Phil Ricci, At Large

Robert Porter, At Large

Mark Axinn, Immediate Past Chair

Helene Jnane, Manhattan Representative

John Clifton, Queens Representative, Political Director, Candidate for Comptroller

## Observers

Shawna Cole, Broome County TCC

Justin Dilgard, Livingston County TCC

Charles Millar, Oneida County TCC

Shawn Hannon, Onondaga County TCC

Rich Purtell, Tioga County TCC

Christopher Schmidt, Warren County TCC

Michael Dowden, Nassau County member

Alton Yee, Brooklyn member

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mark Glogowski at 20:12. The minutes of the previous State Committee meeting of February 21, 2016 were approved with waived reading upon prior publication to the State Committee email list. Motion to amend the minutes of the meeting of January 10, 2016 to insert, "Resignation of Brian Waddell from the State Committee and from the Elections Campaign Committee was accepted by unanimous consent." and "Motion to appoint Chris Padgett chair of the Elections Campaign Committee passed without objection." passed without debate.

Treasurer Gary Triestman issued a Treasurer's Report. Immediate Past Chair, 2016 Convention Program Committee chair and Convention Arrangements Committee chair Mark Axinn issued a report by email which was read aloud by the Secretary, on the state of preparation for the annual convention, the consequences of this year's bifurcated petition period, petitioning, fund raising, and the Manhattan chapter. 2016 Bylaws Committee chair Blay Tarnoff issued that committee's final report. Chapter Development Committee chair Jim Rosenbeck issued a report. Elections Campaign Committee chair Chris Padgett issued a report. Communications and Media Committee chair Chris Edes issued a report.

Motion by Communications and Media Committee chair Chris Edes to amend something previously adopted to allocate \$286.20 to pay for the Dream Host account for three years instead of \$7.50 per month in perpetuity passed by two-thirds vote without debate.

Secretary Blay Tarnoff moved to approve all amendments proposed by the Bylaws Committee in its report and appurtenant request pursuant to Article XII.C. of the Bylaws and to submit them to the next annual convention pursuant to Article XII.D.2.c. of the Bylaws. Motion by Chris Garvey to divide the question to consider proposals 3, 4 and 8 separately from the rest passed. Motion to approve all proposals except 3, 4 and 8 for submission to the next annual convention passed without debate.

Motion by Chris Garvey to amend proposal 3 by striking out "and must not be 'enrolled' in any other 'party' within the meaning of New York State Election Law" from the fifth change was debated and passed 8-6 by counted vote. Motion by the Secretary to amend proposal 3 by striking out the fifth change in its entirety, due to its having been rendered ineffectual by the previous motion, passed by unanimous consent. Motion to approve proposal 3 as amended for submission to the next annual convention passed without debate.

Motion by Chris Garvey to amend proposal 4 by striking out "within the preceding eighteen (18) months, the member must not have been 'enrolled' in any other 'party', within the meaning of New York State Election Law" from the first change was debated and passed. Motion by the Secretary to amend proposal 4 by striking out the remainder of the quoted text in the first change, due to its having been rendered ungrammatical by the previous motion, and inserting "To be entitled to be credentialed to vote at any convention, a member must have been in good standing on August 31 of the preceding year." passed by unanimous consent. Motion to approve proposal 4 as amended for submission to the next annual convention passed without debate.

Motion by Chris Garvey to enter into the minutes that Chris Garvey withdraws his motion to amend proposal 8 based on the Committee's understanding that Robert's Rules of Order states that, absent any rule or bylaw to the contrary, the power to appoint or elect a person to the State Committee carries with it the power to fill any vacancy in that position passed by unanimous consent. Motion to approve proposal 8 for submission to the next annual convention passed without debate.

Motion submitted pursuant to Article XII.C. of the Bylaws by request of State Committee members Mark Glogowski, Jim Rosenbeck and Gary Donoyan to amend the Bylaws as follows:

In Article VI, in section G, before the first sentence, insert:

The elected officers of the LPNY shall be, at the time of their election and continuously thereafter, registered to vote and enrolled in the Libertarian Party, unless he or she:

- 1. was a member of the LPNY as of December 31, 2015, and
- 2. is not enrolled in a different party or independent body.

was debated and failed 7-8 by counted vote.

Christopher Schmidt presented and answered questions on the organization of Warren County. Motion by Chapter Development Committee chair Jim Rosenbeck to appoint Christopher Schmidt Temporary County Chair of Warren County passed without debate.

Per standing rule, the next meeting will be held by teleconference on April 3, 2016 at 8 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 22:40.

Blay Tarnoff, Secretary March 12, 2016