

**2023 LIBERTARIAN PARTY BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING JANUARY 26, 2023**

Meeting called to order at 8:49 pm ET.

<b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>ALTERNATES</b>	<b>GUESTS</b>
SYLVIA ARROWWOOD	DATA LOGAN (1)	RICHARD BROWN, RP
PAUL BRACCO	DEAN RODGERS (2)	JESSICA TEWKSBURY
NICKOLAS CIESIELSKI		ERIC THRAEN
CARYN ANN HARLOS		GREGG SMITH
ROB LATHAM		JUNE GENIS
FRANK MARTIN		MARRION SKINNER
KEN MOELLMAN		
CHUCK MOULTON (A1)		
TOM ROWLETTE		
MIKE SEEBECK		

ABSENT: MIKE RUFO

Chair Harlos called for public comment (No Response).

Chair Harlos related that Agendas for this and all future meetings will contain information on links to: registration in advance for upcoming meetings, video from last meeting, Chair's timeline draft and master proposal sheet, working copy of amended Bylaws and Convention Rules, and committee's LPedia page. Chair has spoken at length with Party Chair and Executive Director concerning Moellman's report as to use of term "member" as currently stated in bylaws as might lead to potential confusion or violation. This matter being extensively being looked at. Everyone currently is clear that term "member" means at a minimum it is someone who has signed the member pledge.

Now have a Rationale Subcommittee. Bracco and Latham have volunteered to serve. Will not make final decisions but will work with Chair on recommendations to committee as time nears to drafting actual report. Three members or more would be best to serve on subcommittee. If others, including Alternates, are interested, please let chair know. This Subcommittee can be more than three.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Corrections to be made. After completion, Chair will sponsor email ballot to approve. Draft 3 of Minutes to be corrected and submitted for approval by email vote at later date.

**PROPOSAL C FROM MOELLMAN WITHDRAWN WITHOUT OBJECTION**

**SUBSTITUTE PROPOSAL C FROM HARLOS TO ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP NOW MAIN MOTION**

1. Members of the Party shall be "**exclusively**" those persons who have certified that they oppose the institution of force to achieve political or social goals. Membership begins when certification is recorded by the National committee. Sections 2, 3, 4, 4 a. and 4 b. to remain same as in Bylaws. ARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 8 and ARTICLE 10 shall be dealt with separately.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUS DECISION**

**PROPOSAL D** withdrawn without objection at 1-12-23 meeting.

**PROPOSAL E FROM BRACCO ARTICLE 3.3 STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AND PLATFORM**

The current platform shall serve as the basis of all future platforms. The existing platform may be amended only at regular conventions. ~~A platform plank may be deleted by majority vote.~~ New planks, deletions of existing planks, or amendments to existing planks or amendments to existing planks require a 2/3 vote.

**MOTION TO AMEND BY SUBSTITUTE** BY LATHAM to strike "~~majority~~" and insert "4/7".

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT:** No amendment made to either Substitute or Original Main Motion.

**VOTE TAKEN:** Shall the Substitute become the Main Motion and replace the original proposal as the Main Motion?

<b>DEFEATED 4-6-0</b>	<b>ADOPT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Arrowwood	Yes	
Bracco	No	
Ciesielski	No	
Harlos	No	
Latham	Yes	
Martin	No	
Moellman	Yes	
Moulton	Yes	
Rowlette	No	
Seebeck	No	

Request by Chair to be addressed as "Chair" or "Ms. Harlos" during Bylaws Committee Meetings. Also if any member wants to change their vote, they should do so before the Chair votes.

**VOTE ON ORIGINAL MAIN MOTION-PROPOSAL E**

<b>ADOPTED 6-3-1</b>	<b>ADOPT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Arrowwood	Yes	
Bracco	Yes	
Ciesielski	Yes	
Harlos		*
Latham	Yes	
Martin	Yes	
Moellman	No	
Moulton	No	
Rowlette	No	
Seebeck	Yes	

**MOTION TO DELAY PROPOSAL F TO NEXT MEETING AND CONTINUE WITH INFORMAL DISCUSSION AS TO DISALLOW WRITE-INS AT CONVENTION. NO OBJECTION.**

Informal discussion as to disallow write-ins at convention. May be continued at later date.

**MOTION BY SEEBECK AT 10:45 TO EXTEND TIME BY TEN MINUTES-NO OBJECTION.**

Chair asked for any off-agenda comments by anyone on line. (No Response)

**PROPOSAL F FROM HARLOS ARTICLE 15 ALTERNATIVE VOTING PROCEDURES** to be first on agenda at next meeting February 9, 2023 at 8:45 PM ET.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:55 PM ET.

**INITIAL DRAFT ONLY –**