EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 VIA ZOOM



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LEGEND: <u>text to be inserted</u>, <u>text to be deleted</u>, unchanged existing text, substantive final main motions.

All main substantive motions will be set off by **bold and italics in green font** (with related subsidiary and incidental motions set off by highlighted italics) and will be assigned a motion number comprising the date and a sequential number to be recorded in the Secretary's Main Motion/Ballot Tally record located at https://tinyurl.com/LNCVotes2023

Points of Order and substantive objections will be indicated in **BOLD RED TEXT**.

All vote results, challenges, and rulings will be set off by **BOLD ITALICS**.

The LPedia article for this meeting can be found at: https://lpedia.org/wiki/LNC Executive Committee Meeting 6 September 2023

Recordings for this meeting can be found at the LPedia link.

The QR codes lead to the video portion of the video being discussed.

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OPENING CEREMONY

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Angela McArdle called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. (all times Eastern).

HOUSEKEEPING

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER ATTENDANCE

The following were in attendance:

Officers: Angela McArdle (Chair), Andrew Watkins (Vice-Chair), Caryn Ann Harlos (Secretary), Todd Hagopian (Treasurer)

Non-Officers: Steven Nekhaila (At-Large), Kathy Yeniscavich (At-Large), Vacant

REMAINING LNC MEMBER ATTENDANCE

At-Large Representatives: Dustin Blankenship, Mike Rufo

Regional Representatives: Adam Haman (Region 1), Dave Benner (Region 2), Adrian F Malagon (Region 4), Otto Dassing (Region 5), Donovan Pantke (Region 7)

Regional Alternates: Vacant (Region 1), Greg Hertzsch (Region 3), Meredith Hays (Region 4), Will Hyman (Region 5), Bill Redpath (Region 6), Robley Hall (Region 8)

Absent: Martin Cowen (Region 2 Alternate), Pat Ford (Region 8 Representative), Dustin Nanna (Region 3 Representative), Mark Tuniewicz (Region 6 Representative), Beth Vest (Region 7 Alternate)

Staff: Carrie Eiler (National Volunteer)

Additional Attendees: Andrew Chadderdon (Libertarian Party of Michigan Chair), Harrison Kemp (Libertarian Party of Maine Chair)

The gallery contained many attendees as noted in the Registration Roster attached hereto as **Appendix A** comprising persons who registered in advance, though not all of the registrants attended.

¹ There was a vacancy in an At-Large position left by the resignation of Rich Bowen. This also left a vacancy in the Executive Committee.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak in public comment.

PURPOSE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The following items were previously noticed:

- Approval of 8/3/23 Executive Committee minutes.
- Consideration of authorization to provide a defense to our recognized Michigan affiliate and/or its current officers, as well potentially entering as a party, in the case of Comerica v. Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee et al.
- Consideration of a ballot access encumbrance for efforts in Maine with the Ballot Access Committee to provide recommendations for amount and terms.
- Approval for plan for political strategy requiring confidentiality. If approved, details will be released to membership upon execution.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, it was agreed to take up the Maine ballot access encumbrance first and move any items for Executive Session to last in order to best respect everyone's time.

NEW BUSINESS WITH PREVIOUS NOTICE

MAINE BALLOT ACCESS ENCUMBRANCE

Chair McArdle moved that the Executive Committee encumber \$7,500 (out of budget line 7000-84) for the Maine registration drive, with \$5,000 to be paid directly to LPME, and \$2,500 to be paid to their registration drive coordinator, Jim Tracey.

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member	Yes	No	Abstain
Hagopian	X		
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Watkins	X		
Yeniscavich	X		
McArdle	X		
TOTALS	6	0	0

This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 6-0-0. [20230906-02]

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 3, 2023, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

WITHOUT OBJECTION, Vice-Chair Watkins moved to approve the August 3, 2023, Executive Committee minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WITHOUT OBJECTION, the Executive Committee went into Executive Session at 8:31 p.m. with the rest of the LNC and LPMI Chair Andrew Chadderdon present for purposes of potential litigation and political strategy requiring confidentiality. Mr. Chadderdon departed after the discussion of potential Michigan litigation.

The Executive Committee rose out of Executive session at 9:28 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS WITH PREVIOUS NOTICE (CONT'D)

APPROVAL OF POLITICAL STRATEGY REGARDING CONFIDENTIALITY

Secretary Harlos moved to approve the political action strategy discussed in executive session with details to be released to membership upon execution of strategy.

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member	Yes	No	Abstain
Hagopian	X		
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Watkins	X		
Yeniscavich	X		
McArdle	X		
TOTALS	6	0	0

This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 6-0-0. [20230906-03]

APPROVAL OF MICHIGAN LITIGATION

Secretary Harlos moved to authorize funding of the defense of our recognized Michigan affiliate and/or its current officers in the case of Comerica v. Libertarian Party of Michigan Executive Committee et al. including a \$5K retainer to be paid to local counsel from budget line 8210-10.

A roll call vote was conducted with the following results:

Member	Yes	No	Abstain
Hagopian		X	
Harlos	X		
Nekhaila	X		
Watkins	X		
Yeniscavich	X		
McArdle	X		
TOTALS	5	1	0

This motion PASSED with a roll call vote of 5-1-0. [20230906-04]

ADJOURNMENT

The Executive Committee adjourned for the day WITHOUT OBJECTION at 9:33 p.m.

TABLE OF NUMBERED MOTIONS/BALLOTS

*Note that the master log of motions in 2023 can be found here: https://tinyurl.com/LNCVotes2023

ID#	Motion/Ballot	Result
20230906-02	Maine Ballot Access Encumbrance	PASSED
20230906-03	Authorized confidential political strategy	PASSED
20230906-04	Authorize Michigan litigation	PASSED

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Appendix	Title	Author
Α	Log of Registrants	Zoom

Respectfully submitted,

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Caryn ann Harbs

APPENDIX A - LOG OF REGISTRANTS

REGISTRATION SHEET²

NAME
Sylvia Arrowwood
Jonathan M. Jacobs
James Ogle
Larry Silver

 $^{^2}$ The Zoom link required registration. This list comprises all persons who registered (with the exception of LNC members, staff, and other national Party representatives) but not everyone necessarily attended.