

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 12, 2023
VIA ZOOM



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LEGEND: text to be inserted, ~~text to be deleted~~, 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 Secretary produces an electronic One Note notebook for each meeting that contains all reports submitted as well as supplementary information. The notebook for this meeting can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/LNC-Nov-2023>

The LPedia article for this meeting can be found at:
[https://lpedia.org/wiki/LNC Meeting 12 November 2023](https://lpedia.org/wiki/LNC_Meeting_12_November_2023)

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

OPENING CEREMONY

CALL TO ORDER AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Angela McArdle called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. (all times Eastern).

HOUSEKEEPING

ATTENDANCE

The following were in attendance:

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

At-Large Representatives: Adrian F Malagon, Steven Nekhaila, Mike Rufo, Kathy Yeniscavich

Regional Representatives: Adam Haman (Region 1), Dave Benner (Region 2), Meredith Hays (Region 4), Mark Tuniewicz (Region 6), Vacant (Region 7), Pat Ford (Region 8)

Regional Alternates: Richard Burke (Region 1), Martin Cowen (Region 2), Greg Hertzsch (Region 3), Gary Alvstad (Region 4), Will Hyman (Region 5), Bill Redpath (Region 6)

Absent: Dustin Blankenship, Otto Dassing (Region 5 Representative), Robley Hall (Region 8 Alternate), Dustin Nanna (Region 3 Representative), Beth Vest (Region 7 Alternate)

Staff: None

Additional Attendees: Carrie Eiler (LPHQ Volunteer)

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.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons spoke during public comment:

- Pat Ford (LNC)
- Hannah Goodman (CO)
- Caryn Ann Harlos (LNC)
- Harrison Kemp (ME)

- Adrian F Malagon (LNC)
- Angela McArdle (LNC)

PURPOSE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Chair previously submitted an agenda as follows:

Opening Ceremony			
	Call to Order		7:00 p.m.
	Attendance		5 Minutes
	Opportunity for Public Comment (2 minutes each)		10 Minutes
New Business with Previous Notice			
1.	Convention Oversight Committee Update	Malagon	10 Minutes
2.	Ballot Access Committee Update	Nanna	10 Minutes
3.	Appoint Mike Seebeck as Interim Platform Committee Chair (conferred with Platform Committee)	Harlos	5 Minutes
4.	Florida Fishing Fundraiser	Nekhaila	10 Minutes
5.	Duopoly support by intra-Party assets	Nekhaila	10 Minutes
6.	Request for authority for Special Rule of Order by Bylaws and Rules Committee	Harlos	5 Minutes
7.	Financial and Goals Update	McArdle	10 Minutes
8.	Budget Amendment Proposals and Budget Preview (portions may be in Executive Session)	Hagopian	30 Minutes
Closing Ceremony			
	Announcements and Adjournment		9:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS WITH PREVIOUS NOTICE

CONVENTION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE UPDATE

Convention Oversight Committee Chair Adrian F Malagon gave an update.

BALLOT ACCESS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Ballot Access Coordinator gave an update.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM PLATFORM COMMITTEE CHAIR

Secretary Harlos moved to appoint Mike Seebeck as the Interim Platform Committee Chair.

The motion **PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.** [20231112-01]

FLORIDA FISHING FUNDRAISER

Mr. Nekhaila led a discussion on this matter.

DUOPOLY SUPPORT BY INTRA-PARTY ASSETS

Mr. Nekhaila and Secretary Harlos led a discussion on this matter.

As Bylaws and Rules Committee Chair, Caryn Ann Harlos reported that the Committee had passed this proposal, but it is unknown if it will make it to the final report:

No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate for public office in any partisan election unless the candidate: a) is not listed under any other partisan ballot line unless the candidate is also listed under the affiliate party's ballot line; and b) is registered to vote under the partisan designation of the affiliate party, if available. ~~who is a member of another party for public office in any partisan election.~~ No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these bylaws.

Liam McCollum of the Montana Libertarian Party explained to the LNC the reasoning behind the current situation in Montana.

REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY FOR SPECIAL RULE OF ORDER

As Bylaws and Rules Committee Chair, Caryn Ann Harlos reported that the Committee requests the LNC for authority, as its parent appointing body, to grant it authority to pass a special rule of order allowing it to limit debate.

Secretary Harlos moved that the LNC authorize the Bylaws and Rules Committee to pass a special rule of order allowing it to limit debate.

The motion **PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.** [20231112-02]

FINANCIAL AND GOALS UPDATE

Chair McArdle gave an update.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, Secretary Harlos moved to extend time for five (5) minutes.

BUDGET AMENDMENT PROPOSALS AND BUDGET PREVIEW

Treasurer Hagopian moved the following budget amendments:

- Adjust budget for 7000-20 (Other Membership Expense) to \$15,000
- Adjust budget for 7000-30 (General Fundraising Expense) to \$65,000
- Adjust budget for 7000-81 (Outreach & Activism Expense) to \$58,000
- Adjust budget for 7000-84 (Ballot Access Petitioning) to \$80,000
- Adjust budget for 7000-86 (Ballot Access Legal) to \$5,000
- Adjust budget for 7000-87 (Ballot Access Lobbying) to \$0
- Adjust budget for 8080 (Payroll Services) to \$10,000
- Adjust budget for 8190 (Software, Hardware, Other IT) to \$40,000
- Adjust budget for 8210-10 (Legal General) to \$85,000
- Adjust budget for 8220 (Accounting) to \$60,000

Secretary Harlos raised a **POINT OF ORDER** that specific notice for the language of these amendments was not given timely.

The LNC agreed that discussion could take place at this meeting, and Chair McArdle agreed to sponsor an email ballot for these items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WITHOUT OBJECTION, the LNC went into Executive Session for purposes of discussion of the staff and pending litigation budget.

ADJOURNMENT

The LNC adjourned for the day **WITHOUT OBJECTION** at 9:07 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
20231112-01	Appoint interim Platform Committee Chair	PASSED
20231112-02	Authority for Bylaws and Rules Committee to Adopt Special Rule of Order	PASSED

TABLE OF APPENDICES

Appendix	Title	Author
A	Log of Registrants	Zoom

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX A – LOG OF REGISTRANTS

REGISTRANTS SHEET¹

NAME
Sylvia Arrowwood
Rich Bowen
Samuel Bohler
Travis Bost
Stephen Ecker
Pietro Geraci
Hannah Goodman
Tim Hagan
Susan Hogarth
Andrew Jacobs
Jonathan Jacobs
Harrison Kemp
Liam McCollum
George Phillies
Leon Pottschmidt
Larry Silver

¹ 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.