

Secretary's Report

For July 17, 2016 LNC Session

Following is a status report for minutes of LNC and EC meetings since the previous regular LNC session:

- May 26, 2016 LNC session – auto-approved on June 27, 2016
- May 26, 2016 EC in-person meeting – auto-approved on June 16, 2016
- May 30, 2016 LNC session – auto-approved on July 3, 2016
- June 15, 2016 EC teleconference – auto-approved on June 30, 2016
- June 22, 2016 EC teleconference – auto-approved on July 11, 2016
- July 11, 2016 EC teleconference – scheduled for auto-approval on July 26, 2016

My first draft of the national convention minutes is due on July 29. This past week I finished a post-convention audit of the elections for an appendix to those minutes. The minutes, including appendices, are now substantially complete. I intend to do a final editorial review, and then I should be ready to provide it to the LNC within a few days.

The Policy Manual has been updated to reflect the change made by the LNC in its May 26, 2016 meeting. On June 8, I proposed technical changes for the Policy Manual including a new endnote #46 as well as various formatting changes; these proposals were auto-approved on July 8, 2016. On June 16, I proposed technical changes for the Policy Manual to update cross-references to the bylaws as amended at the national convention; these proposals were auto-approved on July 16, 2016.

The bylaws and the platform have both been updated to reflect the amendments adopted at the national convention.

The above records are being promptly posted to the website by our staff.

Promptly following the convention, I provided a variety of materials to staff for press inquiries and for publication in LPNews, including an article about the Orlando LNC meetings, summary results from the presidential ticket nomination process, and summaries of key bylaw and platform changes.

After our presidential ticket is nominated, each state has varying requirements about what paperwork needs to be filed and signed by whom to certify our nominees as those entitled to use the Libertarian Party ballot access line on the ballot. I produced a set of generic nomination certificates signed by myself and Mr. Sarwark. Many states make use of our generic form, but others have their own specific forms to use instead. The process of getting these documents filed requires ongoing coordination with Bob Johnston of LPHQ, Chris Thrasher as the campaign point of contact, Nick Sarwark, myself, state chairs, and Secretary of State offices.

LNC membership changes since the May 30, 2016 session:

- On June 22, 2016, LNC At-Large representative Marc Allan Feldman passed away, creating a vacancy which has not yet been filled.

Committee membership changes since the previous regular LNC session:

- At the national convention, only three Judicial Committee candidates received enough votes to be elected: Alicia Dearn, Gary Johnson (TX), and Chuck Moulton. This left 4 vacancies on the committee. On June 2, 2016, the three elected members announced they had filled the

vacancies with Michael Badnarik, John Buttrick, Bill Hall, and Rob Latham. On June 27, the committee announced that Chuck Moulton was elected as committee chair.

- During its May 30, 2016 meeting the LNC appointed Bill Redpath, Ken Moellman, and Ed Marsh to the Ballot Access Committee, and Nick Sarwark designated Ken Moellman as the chair of that committee. Following that meeting, on June 18, Mr. Sarwark appointed Richard Winger and Mark Axinn to the remaining non-LNC seats on the Ballot Access Committee.

The start of a new LNC term necessitated a rebuild of my baseline listing of potential conflicts of interest, which is distributed at each meeting. Please note that an entry of “(none)” indicates that person has specifically told me they have none to list, and a blank entry means that person has not submitted anything to me.

In my capacity as a member of the Convention Oversight Committee, I assisted with reviewing the draft 2018 convention contract and requesting changes as needed. Once we had acceptable terms, Mr. Sarwark signed the 2018 contract on behalf of the LNC, and we’re waiting to get the countersigned copy back from the Hyatt in New Orleans. In the near future I intend to add 2016 convention data to the convention data archive which I created last term. Several excited members have contacted me about including particular cities in the 2020 site selection process. The COC should begin that task this year, but not until after our 2016 duties are completed.

The weeks following a national convention are a bit like drinking from a fire hose, but I’m almost caught up. Still on my to-do list is to help staff update the committee membership page of our website, prepare minutes from this weekend’s meeting, and update the convention archive.

The following email ballot was completed since the May 30, 2016 LNC session:

Motion: that the LNC provide \$600.00 to LPCO for the Riot Fest event. These funds would come from the budget for Affiliate Support.

Sponsors: Harlos, Goldstein, Hayes, Bittner

Started: 6/26/16

Ended: 7/6/16

Voting “aye”: Bittner, Demarest, Goldstein, Hayes, McKnight

Voting “nay”: Bilyeu, Hagan, Lark, Marsh, Mattson, Nielson, Redpath, Starr

With a final vote tally of 5-8, the motion FAILS.

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