

Libertarian Party of Michigan
Minutes of the State Convention
Weber's Hotel
Ann Arbor, Michigan
March 13, 2022

- Call to Order
 - The convention was called to order at 9:04am by Chair Tim Yow
- Opening Remarks
 - Chair Tim Yow welcomes attendees, encourages more volunteer work, notes the largely new, younger than usual LEC, encourages Libertarians to consider running for office in their locality or at the state level
- Credentials Report
 - Credentials Chair Jeff Pittel reported a total of 67 delegates present
 - 34=50%, 45=2/3, 59 =7/8
- Approval of Agenda
 - Greg Stempfle motions to amend the agenda, striking item 13 (gubernatorial candidate speech) due to Mr. Space's current registration as a Republican, which is broadly discouraged if not prohibited by our bylaws. Extra 10 min to be added to Open Floor.
 - 2nded
 - Question is called & 2nded
 - Motion approved by voice vote with one objection
 - Chair Tim Yow requests a motion to also strike his 10min Running for Office section and roll into Open Floor due to having presented the same during Opening Remarks
 - Scotty Boman moves the above
 - 2nded
 - Jim Fulner motions to amend to instead add the time to the Platform Report section
 - 2nded
 - Approved by voice vote with a few objections
 - Main motion approved by voice vote with one objection
 - Motion to approve agenda
 - 2nded
 - Approved by voice vote with one objection
- Adoption of Convention Rules
 - Brian Ellison moves to adopt Rules as written
 - 2nded
 - Point of information notes an inconsistency in the Rules vs. Agenda RE: adjournment time
 - Chair Tim Yow notes that the Agenda will control Convention timing
 - Jeff Pittel motions to amend Rule 12.f to instead read that Delegate voting shall include only 33 votes, with a separate Alternate ballot containing 50 votes, **and 12.i to allow for an additional ballot for Alternate in case of a tie**
 - 2nded
 - Jim Fulner speaks against the proposal, stating that it is easiest at the National Convention to rank alternates if conducted as originally proposed in the Rules
 - Andrew Chadderdon speaks against the proposal, stating that the time taken for two ballots will likely exceed the time allotted in the Agenda

- Bill Gelineau notes that the language for Delegate elections provides no requirement for a minimum percentage of the vote, nor a requirement to exceed the total for NOTA
 - Motion fails by voice vote
- Bill Gelineau moves to add Rule 12.i to state that all National Delegates elected must receive a majority vote of all convention delegates
 - 2nded
 - Jim Fulner speaks against the motion, noting that it may result in few delegates' appointment
 - Brian Ellison speaks against the motion, noting that NOTA provides a sufficient failsafe
 - Will White speaks in favor of the motion, citing bylaws stating that a majority rules in conventions except for Platform and Bylaws amendments
 - Scotty Boman speaks against, noting that the majority of the delegates may adopt the Rules proposed. Additionally, he notes that adopting the requirement may prevent delegates expressing their preference effectively
 - Question called by voice vote
 - Motion fails by voice vote
- Joe Brungardt moves to adopt Rules as proposed
 - 2nded
 - Passed by voice vote
- Jim Fulner notes for future reference that Rule #5 is unnecessary, as it repeats LPM Bylaws
- Approval of Previous Convention Minutes (Mt. Pleasant June 26, 2021)
 - Greg Stempfle moves to table approval of previous minutes to next convention due to lack of time to review
 - 2nded
 - Passed by voice vote with one objection
- National Convention Delegate & Alternate Nominations (up to 33 delegates and 50 alternates)
 1. Bruce Jacquays
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 2. Leonard Schwartz
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 3. Bill Hall
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 4. Mike Saliba
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 5. James Peace
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 6. Jay Gillotte
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 7. John Jascob
 - Self-nominates for delegate
 8. Brian Ellison

- Self-nominates for delegate
- 9. Jim Fulner
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 10. Jeff Wood
 - Nominated by Jim Fulner for delegate
- 11. Ben Boren
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 12. Jason Barton
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 13. Elizabeth Franzago
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 14. Steve Fox
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 15. Jessica Fox
 - Nominated by Steve Fox for delegate
- 16. Jeff Pittel
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 17. David Bockelman
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 18. Vicki Hall
 - Nominated by Bill Hall for delegate
- 19. Griffin Hall
 - Nominated by Bill Hall for delegate
- 20. Angela Thornton
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 21. Scotty Boman
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 22. David Canny
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 23. Jonathan Eddinger
 - Nominated by David Canny for delegate
- 24. Andy Koons
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 25. Jami Van Alstine
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 26. Debra Van Alstine
 - Nominated by Jami Van Alstine for delegate
- 27. Ryan Roberts
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 28. Mary Buzuma

- Self-nominates for delegate
29. Bruce Smith
- Self-nominates for delegate
30. Brandon Warzybok
- Self-nominates for delegate
31. Connor Nepomuceno
- Self-nominates for delegate
32. Gordon Huston
- Self-nominates for delegate
33. Leah Dailey
- Self-nominates for delegate
34. Greg Black
- Self-nominates for delegate
35. Adam Nolen
- Self-nominates for delegate
36. Rhett Hamel
- Self-nominates for delegate
37. Ryan Brennan
- Self-nominates for delegate
38. Lawrence Johnson
- Self-nominates for delegate
39. Andrew Hall
- Self-nominates for delegate
40. Max Riekse
- Nominated by Bill Hall for delegate
41. James Hudler
- Nominated by Will White for delegate
42. Will Tyler White
- Nominated by James Hudler for delegate
43. Josh Smith (the other one)
- Self-nominates for delegate
44. Laine Minor
- Self-nominates for delegate
45. Kevin Ellis
- Self-nominates for delegate
46. Joe Hartman
- Self-nominates for delegate
47. Theodore Petzold
- Self-nominates for delegate
48. James Weeks

- Nominated by Jim Fulner for delegate
- Robert Paulson (but not really; his name was Robert Paulson!)
 - Nominated by Jim Fulner for delegate
- 49. Andrew Ranta
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 50. Daniel Woike
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 51. Jessica Leigh Sentman
 - Nominated by Daniel Woike for delegate
- 52. Daniel Muehl-Miller
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 53. Jacob Kelts
 - Nominated by David Bockelman for delegate
- 54. Ryan Henry
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 55. Luke Sciberras
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 56. Andrew Chadderdon
 - Self-nominates for delegate
- 57. Gunther Ruck
 - Nominated for delegate by Andrew Chadderdon
- 58. Jeff Lentz
 - Nominated by Connor Nepomuceno for delegate
- 59. Daniel Ziemba
 - Nominated by Joe Brungardt for Delegate
- 60. Nathan Hewer (nominations continued after break)
 - Nominated by Andrew Chadderdon for delegate
- 61. Fred Horndt
 - Nominated by Jim Fulner for delegate
- 62. Loel Gnadt
 - Nominated by Clar Gelineau for delegate
- Motion to close nominations
 - 2nded
 - Luke Sciberras moves to table closure of nominations to await missing delegates
 - 2nded
 - Will White motions to amend the motion to call for a 30min pause, including a 5min break, additional Credentials Report, and possibly Platform Report consideration
 - 2nded
 - Chair Tim Yow notes that 58 delegates are absent
 - Jim Fulner motions to amend the motion to take up the Platform Committee Report immediately

- 2nded
 - Brian Ellison speaks against due to the absence of the Platform Committee Chair
 - Amendment fails
 - Brian Ellison motions to amend the amendment to allot the 30min to Open Floor
 - 2nded
 - Question called by voice vote
 - Brian Ellison amendment to the amendment passes by voice vote
 - Will White amendment passed as amended by voice vote
 - Main motion passed by voice vote
 - Open Floor (30 min beginning at 10:12)
 - Ben Boren presents his Vice Chair, Affiliates Director report
 - Address from Decriminalize Nature MI
 - Mary Buzuma introduces her gubernatorial race
 - Scotty Boman moves to adopt the Resolution Calling on the LNC to Respect the Delegates' Choice of Secretary
 - 2nded
 - Brian Ellison speaks against, noting that the Resolution failed a vote of the LEC
 - Will White speaks in favor of the motion, speaking to the character of Caryn Ann Harlos
 - Brandon Warzybok speaks against the motion due to the 2020 National Convention delegation approving the bylaws by which Ms. Harlos was removed
 - Jim Fulner speaks against the motion
 - Daniel Ziemba speaks in favor of the motion
 - Ben Boren speaks against the motion
 - Question called by voice vote
 - Resolution failed by voice vote
 - Joe Brungardt motions to close open floor and break for the remainder of the 30min (until 10:42)
 - 2nded
 - Motion passed by voice vote
 - Motion to close nominations after reconvening @10:42 and three (3) more nominations made (see nominations section #60-62)
 - 2nded
 - Passed by voice vote
 - Jeff Pittel notes Credentials update: 74 delegates
 - 50%=38, 2/3=50, 7/8=65
 - National Convention Delegate & Alternate Voting
 - Vote counting underway upon breaking for lunch
- Break for Lunch @11:54; convention to reconvene at 14:00
- Call to Order @ 14:03
 - Credentials Report
 - Credentials Committee member Lawrence Johnson reported a total of 76 delegates as of 14:04
 - 50%=39, 2/3=51, 7/8=67
 - LP National updates by Dustin Nanna
 - Scotty Boman asks for the location of the meeting minutes wherein the vote to remove Caryn Ann Harlos is recorded

- Dustin notes that it is in the September 2021 LNC meeting minutes, available from the national Secretary
 - Greg Stempfle asks about the 2022 budget of \$2.5 million
 - Dustin notes that an office footprint buildout is a main item
 - James Peace asks if the resolutions condemning the LNC are being tracked
 - Dustin notes they are not being tracked to his knowledge, and that he continues to endeavor to avoid the contention that has so frequently impacted the LNC this term
 - Jim Fulner asks about the drive for 50 state ballot access, and what can MI Libertarians do to help Ohio
 - Dustin notes that 43 states are thus far secured; \$200k is allotted to pursue full access (IN underway, VT in consideration with LNC)
 - MI residents may assist in petitioning efforts in OH; contact the LNC board for information
 - Scotty Boman asks how Libertarians can contact the Bylaws Committee for information
 - Dustin does not know who the committee chair is at the moment, but Ken Moellman is on the committee and may be contacted for more info
 - CRM inquiry
 - National CRM may be leveraged to aid with local web pages
 - Bill Hall notes that it would be of great service if a national officer would share the secret to securing the ability to take out Facebook ads
 - Dustin notes that one must have an EIN # with the IRS, a member's driver's license photo on file, and then will receive a confirmation password for authorization, and must have a bank account set up
 - Nathan Hewer notes that the Jorgensen campaign team lost access for a number of candidates in the last couple weeks of the campaign in apparently arbitrary enforcement actions
- Speaker: Justin Nazaroff of Fenix Ammo
- ~~Speaker: Evan Space, Gubernatorial Candidate~~ Removed by delegate vote
- ~~Presentation by Chair Tim Yow: Running for Office~~ Removed by delegate vote
- Platform Committee Report – Committee Chair Nathan Hewer
 - Note: Report attached; new language is underlined and in red and language to be removed is struck through. Amendments (both removals and additions) are highlighted in color, with each successive amendment assigned a new color.
 - Proposal P1
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Main motion passed by show of hands
 - Proposal P2
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Main motion passed by show of hands
 - Proposal P3
 - Scotty Boman motions to amend to change the word “civil” to “individual”
 - 2nded
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Amendment passed by show of hands

- Kerry Morgan motions to amend to retain the words “bypass Constitutional protections” and add “and” to combine the proposed language
 - 2nded
 - Jim Fulner speaks against the amendment due to past confusion over Libertarian Party support of the Constitution, and that it potentially violates the 1977 Dallas Accord
 - Andrew Chadderdon motions to suspend the rules to allow amendments to proposals from the floor verbally in light of a point of order by Andrew Hall in reference to Convention Rule 3
 - 2nded
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Suspension of the rules passed by show of hands
 - Andrew Chadderdon speaks against the amendment on similar grounds to Mr. Fulner and calls all questions
 - 2nded
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Amendment fails by show of hands
 - Question called on the main proposal by show of hands
 - Main motion passed by show of hands
- Proposal P4
 - Andrew Hall motions to amend to replace the proposed slash (/) with “or”
 - 2nded
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Amendment passed by show of hands
 - Scotty Boman speaks against the proposal due to the possibility of substances which pose a risk to others (U235, viruses, etc.)
 - Art (Huron-Raisin) motions to amend the proposal to keep the word “necessarily”
 - 2nded
 - Jim Fulner speaks in favor of the amendment
 - Brian Ellison speaks against the amendment because the party does not or should not condone the outlined activities
 - Scotty Boman speaks in favor of the amendment due to the likelihood that observers may read into the language a condemnation, even if it does not explicitly say such
 - More against
 - More in favor
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Motion to amend passed by show of hands
 - Jason Barton speaks in favor of the main motion, as the LP does not imply that it is appropriate for the government to regulate any given substance
 - Scotty Boman motions to amend the motion to state “where it exists,” after “Government”
 - Question called by show of hands
 - Amendment passes 31-27
 - Orders of the day called
 - Andrew Chadderdon motions to suspend the rules to extend the Platform Committee session to 3:35 to conclude the vote on Proposal P4
 - 2nded
 - Suspension of the rules passed
 - Question called by show of hands

- Main motion passes 40-11
 - Connor Nepomuceno motions to table the remainder of this Platform Report to the summer 2021 convention
 - 2nded
 - Dave Canny speaks against, and in favor of tabling to the next convention including a Platform Committee (i.e. 2023)
 - Steve Fox 2nds this sentiment
 - Andrew Chadderdon speaks in favor of the motion due to the work put in by the delegates
 - Andrew Hall speaks against due to a lack of unanimity on other Platform Committee proposals
 - Orders of the day called
- Open Floor/Resolutions
 - Jim Fulner moves to adopt a resolution condemning economic sanctions against Russia
 - Brandon Warzybok speaks against the resolution, as ending wars as quickly as possible (i.e. via sanctions) protects the lives of innocents
 - Andrew Chadderdon speaks in favor of the resolution due to the ends not justifying the means
 - Scotty Boman speaks against the resolution due to some of the sanctions targeting malevolent government actors, which does not impede the freedom of innocent individuals
 - Jordan Martin speaks in favor of the resolution due to harm to innocents not exceeding harm to the guilty is unjustifiable
 - Resolution fails by voice vote
 - Bruce Jacquays announces his gubernatorial run for the LP nomination
 - Greg Creswell requests that:
 - LPM hosts a national convention in Metro Detroit in the near future
 - LPM live stream all future state conventions
 - LPM create a live podcast show thru social media or our website
 - Greg Stempfle announces his run for Secretary of State in light of Mary Buzuma's gubernatorial run
 - Greg Stempfle thanks Daniel Ziembra for his service as LPM Secretary
 - Greg Black announces his run for MI House District 92
 - Mike Saliba announces his run for Congress in the MI 9th District
 - Mike Saliba recommends axeheadwatch.shop, promo code LPM
 - Brandon Warzybok thanks Connor N for sharing Ukraine refugee fundraisers on LPM Facebook, and requests MI Libertarians donate to that cause
 - James Peace recommends his Etsy store and DecorumBot Twitter account
 - Jim Fulner announces the Macomb County LP laser tag event
 - Kyle McCauley offers assistance with campaign marketing to those who request it
 - Larry Johnson announces Huron-Raisin Affiliate booth at Ann Arbor Art Fair July 21-23
 - Also notes that Saturday, April 1 is the 50th anniversary of Hash Bash
 - Greg Creswell invites all LPM members to the Dally in the Alley on the 1st Saturday after Labor Day

- Chair Tim Yow announces next convention in Holland, MI at Haworth, July 8, 9, & 10
- Chair Tim Yow thanks Joe Brungardt and Daniel Muehl-Miller for joining him as MI's National Platform Committee representative and alternate, respectively
- Greg Stempfle moves to extend time to 16:10 to allow for reading of convention delegate selctions
 - 2nded
 - Approved by voice vote
- National Convention Delegates – Jeff Pittel
 1. Luke Sciberras, 60
 2. Daniel Ziemba, 60
 3. Liz Franzango, 56
 4. Nathan Hewer, 56
 5. Joe Hartman, 55
 6. Connor Nepomuceno, 54
 7. Angela Thornton, 54
 8. Andrew Chadderdon, 53
 9. John Jascob, 52
 10. Ryan Roberts, 52
 11. Josh Smith, 50
 12. David Bockelman, 49
 13. Mary Buzuma, 49
 14. Greg Black, 48
 15. Leah Dailey, 48
 16. Bruce Jacquays, 48
 17. Rhett Hamel, 47
 18. Ryan Brennan, 46
 19. Jeff Lentz, 46
 20. Jessica Sentman, 46
 21. Daniel Woike, 46
 22. Jason Barton, 45
 23. Ben Boren, 45
 24. Kevin Ellis, 45
 25. Gordon Huston, 45
 26. Daniel Muehl-Milller, 45
 27. Adam Nolen, 45
 28. Andrew Ranta, 45
 29. Andy Koons, 44
 30. Laine Minor, 44
 31. Gunther Ruck, 43
 32. Bill Hall, 43
 33. Jessica Fox, 41
 34. Ryan Henry, 41
 35. Jacob Kelts, 41
 36. Theodore Petzel, 41
 37. Steve Fox, 40
 38. Mike Saliba, 40
 39. James Hudler, 40
 40. Larry Johnson, 39
 41. Jeff Pittel, 39
 42. Vicki Hall, 38
 43. Jami Van Alstine, 38
 44. Scotty Boman, 37
 45. Brian Ellison, 36
 46. Griffin Hall, 36
 47. Andrew Hall, 35
 48. Leonard Schwartz, 35
 49. Brandon Warzybok, 34

- 50. Jay Gillotte, 32
- 51. Debra Van Alstine, 31
- 52. Jim Fulner, 30
- 53. Dave Canny, 28
- 54. Will White, 28
- 55. Loel Gnadt, 27
- 56. Fred Horndt, 25
- 57. James Peace, 25
- 58. James Weeks, 23
- 59. Bruce Smith, 22
- 60. Jeff Wood, 17
- 61. John Eddinger 15
- 62. Max Riekse, 6
- 63. NOTA, 0
- Greg Stempfle motions that the LEC determines the tiebreaking procedure during the post-convention meeting
 1. 2nded
 2. Will White notes that this is typically occurs at convention due to final tally of delegates present being available at the time
 3. Scotty Boman motions to amend to include random elements
- Motion to adjourn convention at 16:13
 - 2nded
 - Convention adjourned
- LEC Meeting
- Call to order @ 16:30
- Roll Call:
 - Tim Yow, Chair
 - Ben Boren, 1st Vice Chair
 - Andrew Chadderdon, 2nd Vice Chair
 - Daniel Ziemba, Secretary
 - Norman Peterson, Treasurer
 - Ryan Roberts, District 1
 - Steve Fox, District 2
 - Jordan Martin, District 3
 - Rick Thelen, District 4
 - Dave Canny, District 5
 - Brandon Warzybok, District 6
 - Brian Ellison, District 7
 - Joe Hartman, District 8
 - Mike Saliba, District 9
 - Joe Brungardt, District 10
 - Bruce Jaquays, District 11
 - Daniel Muehl-Miller, District 12
 - Breanna Arold, District 13
 - Paul Vainer, District 14
- New Business
 - Selection of tiebreaker method for tied alternates at national convention
 - Bruce J motions to roll dice and select the alternate(s) with the highest roll
 - 2nded
 - Approved 7-6
- LEC meeting adjourned

Daniel Ziemba
Secretary, LPM