

Proposal # _____

Date Heard:

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Article 7: National Committee AND Rule 8: Election of Officers and National Committee

Problem: Many people who have considered the issue agree that the LNC is too large and often does not function well.

Solution: Elect a smaller group of people more focused on oversight instead of trying to elect a super-volunteer corps.

Benefits: A more functional, more focused, and less fractious Libertarian National Committee.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party;</p> <p>b. five members elected at large by the delegates at a regular convention; and</p> <p>c. any additional members as specified below:</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee</p>	<p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party; <u>and</u></p> <p>b. five <u>seven</u> members elected at large by the delegates at a regular convention; and</p> <p>c. any additional members as specified below:</p> <p>Any affiliate party with 10% or more of the total national party sustaining membership within affiliate parties (as determined for delegate allocation) shall be entitled to one National Committee representative and one alternate for each 10% of national sustaining membership. Affiliate parties may, by mutual consent, band together to form "representative regions," and each such "region" with an aggregate national party sustaining membership of 10% or more shall be entitled to one National Committee</p>	<p>2. The National Committee shall be composed of the following members:</p> <p>a. the officers of the Party, and</p> <p>b. seven members elected at large by the delegates at a regular convention.</p>

<p>representative and one alternate for each 10% of national party sustaining membership.</p> <p>"Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the national convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the convention at which they take place.</p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative or Alternate may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties that constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives or alternates shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs comprising the region shall prevail.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Rule 8:</p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its National Committee representation then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative and alternate, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative and alternate in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates</p>	<p>for each 10% of national party sustaining membership.</p> <p>"Representative regions" may be formed or dissolved once every two years during a period beginning 90 days before the beginning of and ending on the second day of the national convention, and notice of new formations or dissolutions must be given in writing to the national Secretary prior to the close of the convention at which they take place.</p> <p>8. A National Committee Regional Representative or Alternate may be removed and replaced only by the act of the affiliate parties that constitute the subject region. The voting procedure for the removal and replacement of regional representatives or alternates shall be determined by the regions. In the absence of any such procedures, a majority vote of the state chairs comprising the region shall prevail.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Rule 8:</p> <p>4. In the event a region has not otherwise provided for the election of its National Committee representation then the delegates from the region shall elect its regional representative and alternate, provided there are at least five delegates present. Each Region's delegates may elect their representative and alternate in whatever manner they choose, provided all delegates present from that region are given equal voice in the selection.</p>	
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Proviso: *This amendment shall take effect upon the final adjournment of the convention at which it is adopted.*

If possible I'd like to have this considered at or around the same time as the other proposals to restructure the LNC.

Also, I've made a spreadsheet of LNC motions from the last three terms so that we can see what kinds of decisions LNC members are currently elected to make. We can discuss what the LNC *ought* to do, but the spreadsheet shows what things they currently *actually* do.

What I'd like in an LNC member - and others may want something different - is someone who knows that their job is oversight and overall direction, not management or execution. I want good brand ambassadors, people with histories with finances or achieving goals, or someone who brings credibility to the party. A team member rather than someone in it for themselves or an ambassador for others.

I have a lot more to say about this, but I'll save it for the discussion.

I do have one question though for those with more direct experience than me though: How much productive work gets done by all the various subcommittees of the LNC? How much baby are we throwing out with the bathwater if we reduce the number of LNC members available to do committee work?

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MARK-UP LEGEND

- In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- Deletions are in ~~red bold italic strikethrough~~.
- Additions are in blue bold underline.
- Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass.
- Per RONR t8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote with notice or a majority of the entire convention membership