

# Libertarian Party of Michigan State Convention Saturday, April 4th, 2020, 12 PM (Adjourned from 3/14/20)

#### Zoom Video Conference

Chairman Stempfle called the convention to order at 12:31 PM. (recording was started 3 minutes after the call to convention)

Chairman Stempfle recognized Nick Sarwark Chairman of the LNC who discussed the National Convention and Covid19, and that the LNC would need to make a decision on or before May 1st, 2020.

Chairman Stempfle discussed Zoom and how to use the features. Advised on the LimeSurvey application for voting.

Elevated several alternates to delegates: Josh Commans, John George, Andy Evans, Richard Hewer, Paul Vainer, Jason Evans, Zack Moreau

Credential Report- Larry Johnson advised 85 delegates as of 1:01 PM.

Motion to approve credential list. Motion passed.

#### Agenda

Agenda approved without objection.

#### **Convention Rules**

Chairman Stempfle discussed the changes in the rules, no amendments made. Motion to approve changes in rules. Motion passed.

#### Officer Reports

Chairman Stempfle discussed needing help with the media and press releases.

Ben Boren discussed meet and greet and zoom access to chairs of affiliates so can hold meetings.

Jamie Lewis discussed the main nominating convention in July 2020. Need local affiliates to choose delegates by June for nominations. Advised on 2nd amendment sanctuaries and 1st amendment, what was going on before Covid 19 was news. Jamie advised anyone running for office to talk to him.

Secretary no news

Norm Peterson advised will not be able to balance the budget because of the refunds and will get ahold of Jeff Pittel to get the information.

## Membership Committee

Jeff Pittel discussed membership and there was an increase before the convention.

#### Social Committee

Connor Nepomuceno discussed social media.

#### Newsletter

Scotty Boman advised still need to train members.

#### **Supreme Court Nominations**

Chairman Stempfle opened nominations for Supreme Court endorsement. Advised 2 minutes to speak to or speak for. Kerry Morgan was nominated and accepted the nomination. Katie Nepton was nominated but not at convention. Motion to close nominations. Motion passed.

Kerry Morgan spoke to his nomination. Luke Sciberras spoke for Katie Nepton's nomination.

No one spoke for NOTA

Ben Ellison made a motion to approve by acclimation. Motion failed. Division called. Motion failed.

## Credentials Report

Larry Johnson advised 86, Andrew Chadderdon advised 85. Does not match, waiting for the credit card to pass for a member and that would make 86.

Motion to use LimeSurvey for voting. Motion passed.

Chairman Stempfle advised on how LimeSurvey works.

Voted for Supreme Court through LimeSurvey. Delegates may vote for up to two candidates but a vote for NOTA means you cannot vote for a second actual candidate.

Results of Supreme Court-endorsement: Kerry Morgan (81 votes) and Katie Nepton (75 votes) are both endorsed. 3 votes were case for None of the Above

[Full results of Supreme Court endorsement attached]

Chairman Stempfle made a motion to amend agenda move LEC replacement before the non binding presidential ballot. Motion passed.

## **Delegate Nominations**

Chairman Stempfle advised 30 seconds to speak to each nomination. Added 76 people for National delegate selection.

Griffin Hall made motion to extend time. Chairman Stempfle advised to extend time until 4 PM. Motion passed.

Motion made to close nominations with 76. Motion passed.

Delegates made speeches to their nominations.

Motion made to reopen nominations and add Jim Fulner. Motion passed.

Motion made to close nominations with 77. Motion passed.

Secretary Wendi Parker went over the delegate list, verified the list was correct with Andrew Chadderdon. Went over list with Chairman Stempfle as well.

Voted using LimeSurvey.

Larry Johnson made motion to extend time until 4:30 PM. Ben Boren took over the meeting for this vote. Motion passed.

Cat Filus advised that she will be resigning from the 10th district LEC Representative.

Motion made to reduce the time for voting, was advised that Vermin Supreme is still voting. Advised will stop poll at 4:08. Survey was stopped 4:06 PM for delegates

## Policy to fill remaining vacancies.

The LEC may approve additional alternates but have to be MI residents. Bill Hall made a motion to amend, would also have to be a member of the party.

Jeff Wood made motion to strike not requiring they live in the state but would have to be members of the party to be delegate. Voted. No-47, Yes-24. Motion failed.

Emily Salvette made motion to amend: LEC may fill alternate spots until convention and then MI delegation would decide. Chairman Stempfle made motion: would need to get a majority of votes and be a member of the state party and be a resident of MI. Motion passed.

## **Results of National Delegate Vote**- 33 people and 50 alternates

There was a 2 way tie for the last delegate spot. Donna Gundle Krieg advised would move to be an alternate. Donna would be the 1st alternate if any of the chosen delegates could not attend.

[Full results of national delegate voting attached]

#### Michigan Delegates to the 2020 Libertarian National Convention (33)

Lisa Lane Gioia Bill Gelineau Tim Yow Andrew Hall Connor Nepomuceno Clara Gelineau Nathan Hewer **Emily Salvette** Ben Reisterer Andrew Chadderdon Wendi Parker Dana Carver Ben Carr Norm Peterson Paul Vainer Mike Saliba Daniel Ziemba Scotty Boman Bill Hall Larry Johnson James Hudler Matt Karshis Eric Larson Donna Gelineau Jamie Lewis Richard Hewer Jay Gillotte Vicki Hall Jeff Pittel Katie Nepton **Bob Broda** Patty Malowney Ryan Roberts

## Michigan Ranked Alternates to the 2020 Libertarian National Convention (44)

- 1. Donna Gundle Kreig 30. Loel Gnadt
- t2. Griffin Hall
- t2. Alexander Avery
- t2. Lawrence Ludlow
- t2. Luke Sciberras
- t6. Aaron Miranov
- t6. Andy Evans
- t6. Pete Biskupski
- t9. Thomas Scott
- t9. Leonard Schwartz
- t9. Luke Retterath
- 12. Greg Creswell
- t13. Marcy Larson
- t13. Nathan Mahn
- t13. Roderic Dolega
- t13. Joe Hartman
- t17. Jim Fulner
- t17. Brian Ellison
- t17. Cat Filus
- t17. Todd Baker
- t21. Jeff Wood
- t21. James Weeks
- t21. Frederick Horndt
- t21. Will White
- t21. Tim Orzechowski
- t21. Jim Dondero
- t27. Breanna Ellison
- t27. John Jascob
- t27. Morgan Johnston

t31. Jami Van Alstine t33. Brenden Ellison t33. Matthew Doak t33. Rodger Young 36. Ron Acton t37. Samantha Allen t37. James Peace 39. David Holmer t40. James Harris

t31. Shane Allen

- t40. Brett Cashman 42. Michael Hackman 43. Shain Learner
- 44. Brandon Warzybok

Motion made to extend time to 5PM. Motion passed.

## **Congressional District Caucuses**

Delegates caucuses by congressional district using the breakout room function in Zoom.

New Members of the LEC as voted by congressional district caucus.

#2 Andrew Hall

#4 Will White

#5 James Harris

#6 Shane Allen

#13 Andrew Chadderdon

District 10 was unable to make their selection due to technical difficulties and will remain vacant for now. The LEC will accept nominations and fill the next LEC meeting in May.

James Harris advised that he is running for US Congress.

Larry Johnson made a motion to extend until 5:10 PM. Motion passed.

## Presidential non binding poll.

Voting conducted through LimeSurvey. The list of presidential candidates appearing on the ballot are those listed on the national LP website, which set a specific set of criteria to be included.

Jacob Hornberger received 22 votes, the most for any candidate. There were 26 write in votes but those will need to be tabulated individually after the convention. Complete results to be posted after the meeting.

[Full results of presidential preference vote attached]

Resolution introduced by Daniel Ziemba who read the resolution aloud.

#### Resolution Condemning Governor Whitmer's Response to the Coronavirus Outbreak

The Libertarian Party of Michigan (LPM) strongly condemns the recent actions of Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer in response to the spread of COVID-19. We believe the governor has no authority under the Michigan Constitution to restrict individuals' freedom of movement and association without a declaration of martial law.

The LPM does not advocate the declaration of martial law; rather we advocate voluntary participation in scientifically sound measures to prevent the virus' spread as the most preferable solution (social distancing, rigorous hygiene, and the use of personal

protective equipment). Only private citizens can achieve this through their own volition, whereas the Governor's actions are both oppressive and incapable of mitigating the severe crisis at hand. Moreover, her actions will cause irreparable harm to the economy of the State of Michigan at both the personal and societal level. Citizens will feel this in the form of lost jobs, homes, and businesses, along with the suffering that follows.

We therefore call on Governor Whitmer to lift the authoritarian restrictions in place and restore the human rights of movement and interaction to the citizens of Michigan. We also call upon the public servants of Michigan to resist these edicts and act to protect the rights of their constituents. Most importantly, we implore the citizens of Michigan to speak out against these egregious violations of human rights and demand a return to sanity and freedom.

Scotty Boman moved to amend by removing "without a declaration of martial law"

Bill Hall spoke against. Question called.

Motion made by Jeff Wood to adjourn. Motion passed.

Chairman Stempfle adjourned convention at 5:12 PM.

Wendi Parker Secretary LPM

Video Recording from Zoom of the State Convention <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXksBBWL5mc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXksBBWL5mc</a>

# Results of Supreme Court endorsement

Kerry MorganKatherine NeptonNone of the Above391.0% endorsedendorsed3.4% not endorsed

Total Votes 159 Ballots Cast 89

# Results of National Delegate Selection Vote

| Candidate               | Votes | Percentage                              | Spot     | Candidate                | Votes | Percentage           | Spot      | Rank (alternate)        |
|-------------------------|-------|---|----------|--------------------------|-------|----------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Lisa Lane Gioia (N28)   | 73    | 81.11%                                  | delegate | Donna Gundle Kreig (N37) | 50    | 55.56%               | alternate | 1                       |
| Connor Nepomuceno (N35) | 71    | 78.89%                                  | delegate | Griffin Hall (N8)        | 49    | 54.44%               | alternate | t2                      |
| Nathan Hewer (N47)      | 67    | 74.44%                                  | delegate | Alexander Avery (N15)    | 49    | 54.44%               | alternate | t2                      |
| Andrew Chadderdon (N17) | 66    | 73.33%                                  | delegate | Lawrence Ludlow (N31)    | 49    | 54.44%               | alternate | t2                      |
| Ben Carr (N33)          | 66    | 73.33%                                  | delegate | Luke Sciberras (N70)     | 49    | 54.44%               | alternate | t2                      |
| Mike Saliba (N50)       | 65    | 72.22%                                  | delegate | Aaron Miranov (N4)       | 48    | 53.33%               | alternate | t6                      |
| Bill Hall (N5)          | 63    | 70.00%                                  | delegate | Andy Evans (N52)         | 48    | 53.33%               | alternate | t6                      |
| Eric Larson (N11)       | 63    | 70.00%                                  | delegate | Pete Bikupski (N68)      | 48    | 53.33%               | alternate | t6                      |
| Jamie Lewis (N62)       | 62    | 68.89%                                  | delegate | Thomas Scott (N14)       | 47    | 52.22%               | alternate | t9                      |
| Vickl Hall (N6)         | 61    | 67.78%                                  | delegate | Leonard Schwartz (N23)   | 47    | 52.22%               | alternate | t9                      |
| Bob Broda (N10)         | 60    | 66.67%                                  | delegate | Luke Retterah (N43)      | 47    | 52.22%               | alternate | t9                      |
| Bill Gelineau (N39)     | 60    | 66.67%                                  | delegate | Greg Creswell (N42)      | 46    | 51.11%               | alternate | 12                      |
| Clara Gelineau (N41)    | 60    | 66.67%                                  | delegate | Marcy Larson (N13)       | 45    | 50.00%               | alternate | t13                     |
| Emily Salvette (N2)     | 59    | 65.56%                                  | delegate | Nathan Mahn (N44)        | 45    | 50.00%               | alternate | t13                     |
| Dana Carver (N67)       | 58    | 64.44%                                  | delegate | Roderic Dolega (N51)     | 45    | 50.00%               | alternate | t13                     |
| Norm Peterson (N76)     | 58    | 64.44%                                  | delegate | Joe Hartman (N58)        | 45    | 50.00%               | alternate | t13                     |
| Daniel Ziemba (N16)     | 57    | 63.33%                                  | delegate | Jim Fulner (N3)          | 44    | 48.89%               | alternate | t17                     |
| Larry Johnson (N45)     | 57    |   | delegate | Brian Ellison (N25)      | 44    | 48.89%               | alternate | t17                     |
| Donna Gelineau (N40)    | 56    | 62.22%                                  | delegate | Cat Filus (N38)          | 44    | 48.89%               | alternate | t17                     |
| Richard Hewer (N49)     | 56    | - Problem design                        | delegate | Todd Baker (N55)         | 44    | 48.89%               | alternate | t17                     |
| Katie Nepton (N9)       | 55    |   | delegate | Jeff Wood (N21)          | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Patty Malowney (N56)    | 54    |   | delegate | James Weeks (N22)        | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Tim Yow (N69)           | 54    |   | delegate | Frederick Horndt (N29)   | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Andrew Hall (N7)        | 53    | 58.89%                                  | delegate | Will White (N34)         | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Ben Reisterer (N12)     | 53    |   | delegate | Tim Orzechowski (N61)    | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Wendi Parker (N30)      | 53    | 58.89%                                  | delegate | Jim Dondero (N77)        | 43    | 47.78%               | alternate | t21                     |
| Paul Vainer (N64)       | 53    | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 | delegate | Breanna Ellison (N27)    | 42    | 46.67%               | alternate | t27                     |
| Scotty Boman (N79)      | 53    |   | delegate | John Jascob (N48)        | 42    | 46.67%               | alternate | t27                     |
| James Hudler (N74)      | 52    |   | delegate | Morgan Johnston (N63)    | 42    | 46.67%               | alternate | t27                     |
| Matt Karshis (N36)      | 51    |   | delegate | Loel Gnadt (N71)         | 41    | 45.56%               | alternate | 30                      |
| Jay Gilotte (N60)       | 51    |   | delegate | Shane Allen (N19)        | 40    | 44,44%               | alternate | t31                     |
| Jeff Pittel (N78)       | 50    |   | delegate | Jamie Vanalstyne (N75)   | 40    | 44.44%               | alternate | t31                     |
| Ryan Roberts (N54)      | 50    |   | delegate | Brenden Ellison (N26)    | 39    | 43.33%               | alternate | t33                     |
|                         |       |   | -        | Matt Doak (N46)          | 39    |                      | alternate |                         |
|                         |       |   |          | Rodger Young (N53)       | 39    |                      | alternate |                         |
|                         |       |   |          | Ron Acton (N24)          | 38    | 42.22%               | alternate | 36                      |
|                         |       |   |          | Samantha Allen (N20)     | 37    |                      | alternate | direction of the second |
|                         |       |   |          | James Peace (N66)        | 37    |                      | alternate |                         |
|                         |       |   |          | David Holmer (N32)       | 36    |                      | alternate | -                       |
|                         |       |   |          | James Harris (N57)       | 35    | 38.89% alternate t40 | 1000      |                         |
|                         |       |   |          | Brett Cashman (N59)      | 35    |                      | alternate | -                       |
|                         |       |   |          | Micheal Hackman (N73)    | 33    |                      | alternate |                         |
|                         |       |   |          | Shane Liener (N72)       | 32    |                      | alternate | 1000                    |
|                         |       |   |          | Brandon Wdarsky (N65)    | 29    |                      | alternate | 1-65/                   |
|                         |       |   |          | NOTA (NOTA)              | 0     | 0.00%                |           | 10.00 TO                |

#### Results of Presidential Preference Poll using Ranked Choice Voting

The results of ranked choice elections are not so straightforward to report. It took seven rounds of ballot preferences before someone achieved a majority. The final preference was...

Jacob Hornberger 33 53.2% Justin Amash (write-in) 23 37.1% None of the Above 6 9.7%

The last candidate to be dropped before anyone received a majority was Vermin Supreme.

| Candidate                   | 1st Rd. |      | 2nd Rd. |      | 3rd Rd. |      | 4th Rd. |      | 5th Rd. |       | 6th Rd. |       | Final Round |  |
|-----------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-------------|--|
|                             |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      | 2       | /. 2) |         |       | 33          |  |
| Jacob Hornberger            | 1       | (+2) | 1000    |      | 10000   | (+2) | 1000    |      | 1000    | (+2)  | 32.5    | (+5)  |             |  |
| Justin Amash (write-in)     | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |       | 21      | (+2)  | 23          |  |
| Vermin Supreme              | 10      |      | 10      | (+2) | 12      |      | 12      |      | 12      | (+4)  | 16      | (-16) |             |  |
| Adam Kokesh                 | 5       | (+1) | 6       | (+1) | 7       |      | 7       | (+2) | 9       | (-9)  | 0       |       |             |  |
| Lincoln Chafee              | 4       |      | 4       | (+1) | 5       |      | 5       | (-5) | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Nicholas Sarwark (write-in) | 4       |      | 4       |      | 4       | (-4) | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Brian Ellison               | 3       |      | 3       | (-3) | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Ken Armstrong               | 3       |      | 3       | (-3) | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Arvin Vohra                 | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Jo Jorgensen                | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Donald Trump (write-in)     | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       | 0       |       |             |  |
| Exhausted                   | 0       |      | 0       | (+2) | 2       | (+2) | 4       | (+3) | 7       | (+3)  | 10      | (+9)  | 19          |  |
|                             | 75      |      | 75      |      |         |      |         |      |         |       |         |       | 75          |  |

Results with "None of the Above" reappearing on each round of balloting, as it would during runoff elections at a convention.

| Candidate                   | 1st Rd. |      | 2nd Rd. |      | 3rd Rd. |      | 4th Rd. |      | 5th Rd. |      | 6th Rd. |       | Final Round |  |
|-----------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|-------|-------------|--|
| Jacob Hornberger            | 22      | (+2) | 24      |      | 24      | (+2) | 26      |      | 26      | (+2) | 28      | (+5)  | 33          |  |
| Justin Amash (write-in)     | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      |      | 21      | (+2)  | 23          |  |
| Vermin Supreme              | 10      |      | 10      | (+2) | 12      |      | 12      |      | 12      | (+4) | 16      | (-16) |             |  |
| Adam Kokesh                 | 5       | (+1) | 6       | (+1) | 7       |      | 7       | (+2) | 9       | (-9) | 0       |       |             |  |
| Lincoln Chafee              | 4       |      | 4       | (+1) | 5       |      | 5       | (-5) | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Nicholas Sarwark (write-in) | 4       |      | 4       |      | 4       | (-4) | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Brian Ellison               | 3       |      | 3       | (-3) | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Ken Armstrong               | 3       |      | 3       | (-3) | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Arvin Vohra                 | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Jo Jorgensen                | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| Donald Trump (write-in)     | 1       | -1   | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       |       |             |  |
| NOTA                        | 0       |      | 0       |      | 0       | (+1) | 1       |      | 1       |      | 1       | (+5)  | 6           |  |
| Exhausted                   | 0       |      | 0       | (+2) | 2       | (+1) | 3       | (+3) | 6       | (+3) | 9       | (+4)  | 13          |  |
|                             |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      |         |      | 75      |       | 75          |  |

The results were calculated using two different methods, both of which produced the same result. In the final round there were 19 exhausted ballots, if "none of the above" was counted as a candidate and eliminated after round one. If "none of the above" was allowed to reappear on each round of balloting, as it would play out at a convention, there would be 13 exhausted ballots and 6 votes for "none of the above". The results using both methodologies as well as raw results are included in the linked spreadsheet. Please feel free to check our math! I would to thank Hugh McNichol IV from RankMiVote for his assistance with this tabulation.

Link to "LPM Convention LimeSurvey results 2020-04-04.xlsx" https://drive.google.com/open?id=1o1a5vleo4-OKOa3Phf3hitPFibz3GTlw