

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RULES COMMITTEE
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023 ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Andrew Kolstee, Chair
Mark Braiman
Daniel Castello
Pietro Geraci
Adam Magoon
Christopher Olenski
Michael Rebmann
Karyn Thompson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Justin Carman
Paul Grindle

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Andrew Kolstee, Chair.

Motion by Christopher Olenski to **recommend Proposal A as follows to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party** was seconded by Pietro Geraci

6.7. **TERM.** Members of the State Committee and Executive Committee shall serve until the conclusion of the Organization Meeting following the primary election at which their successors are elected. State Committee members who move their residence out of their Judicial District but within the State of New York may keep their offices until the end of their term.

~~6.7.1 OFFICER TERMS. Officer terms expire upon the conclusion of the next Organization Meeting held following the Organization Meeting in which they were elected.~~

6.8. **TRANSITION OF AUTHORITY DURING ORGANIZATION MEETING.** The newly elected members of the State Committee shall assume decision-making authority for all matters discussed during the Organization Meeting. Outgoing members of the State Committee may assist the transition, but the new State Committee shall have the sole power to ratify or modify decisions made during the meeting, subject to binding contractual obligations. Any action taken by the outgoing State Committee during the Organization Meeting shall be subject to review and approval by the new State Committee.

Motion by Pietro Geraci to **amend Proposal A as follows** was seconded by Mark Braiman, debated, and failed 2—3—2 after a roll call vote, with Mark Braiman and Pietro Geraci voting in favor, Daniel Castello, Adam Magoon, and Christopher Olenski voting against, and Micahel Rebmann and Karyn Thompson abstaining.

6.7.1. State Committee members' terms expire upon the beginning of the next Organization Meeting held following the Organization Meeting in which they were elected, except for the Chair and Secretary, whose terms shall expire at the conclusion of that Organization Meeting.

The consideration of Proposal A was postponed until the next meeting of the Rules Committee without objection.

Motion by Pietro Geraci to **recommend Proposal D as follows to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party** was seconded by Adam Magoon and debated.

11.5.3. **VACANCIES.** In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Vice-Chair shall succeed as the Chair of the County Organization, unless otherwise specified in the County Rules. All other vacancies on the County Organization shall be filled by a majority vote of the County Organization or in a manner determined by the County Organization. **In the event that all officer positions of a County Affiliate are vacant, the State Committee may appoint an Acting County Chair to preside so that officers may be elected.**

Proposal D was amended as follows with struck out text as indicated in orange and inserted text as indicated in purple without objection.

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The original motion to **recommend Proposal D as follows to the State Committee for adoption as an amendment to the Rules of the Libertarian Party as amended** passed by voice vote.

11.5.1. **MEMBERS.** LPNY Members residing in the county shall be the voting members of the County Organizations. Officers are voting members of the County Organization by virtue of their office, but no individual may cast more than one vote.

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The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Karyn Thompson to **adjourn** was seconded by Daniel Castello.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 8:08 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee,
Chair