

**MINUTES OF THE STATE COMMITTEE
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021
ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP AND PORCUPINE APP**

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by William Cody Anderson, Chair. A roll call of voting members was conducted by Andrew Kolstee, Secretary. 42 of 63 Members of the State Committee were present at the time of roll call; Brandon Lyon and Duane Whitmer later entered the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ilya Schwartzburg, Judicial District 1
Gilbert L. Midonnet, Judicial District 2
Matthew I. Morgan, Judicial District 2
Gary S. Popkin, Judicial District 2
Stacey H. Prussman, Judicial District 2
William Cody Anderson, Judicial District 3
Jay A. Carr, Judicial District 3
Lora L. Newell, Judicial District 3
Robert M. Arrigo, Judicial District 4
Brandon G. Lyon, Judicial District 4
Rachel E. Becker, Judicial District 5
Milva E. Dordal, Judicial District 5
David E. Fite, Judicial District 5
Shawn Hannon, Judicial District 5
Craig A. Miles, Judicial District 5
Sean S. Stevens, Judicial District 5
Mark S. Braiman, Judicial District 6
Timothy M. O'Connor, Judicial District 6
Christopher M. Olenski, Judicial District 6
Richard F. Purtell, Judicial District 6
Thomas D. Quiter, Judicial District 6
Paul C. Sechrist, Judicial District 6
Steven G. Becker, Judicial District 7
Kari Bittner, Judicial District 7
Eric A. Cooper, Judicial District 7
Anthony D'Orazio, Judicial District 7
James M. Dayton, Judicial District 7
Sean C. Phelan, Judicial District 7
Erin M. Becker, Judicial District 8
Andrew M. Kolstee, Judicial District 8
Peyton D. Kunselman, Judicial District 8
Francis Law, Judicial District 8
Leonard E. Morlock, Judicial District 8

Duane J. Whitmer, Judicial District 8
Daniel P. Donnelly, Judicial District 9
Pietro S. Geraci, Judicial District 9
Robert J. Greibesland, Judicial District 9
Anthony W. Pellegrino, Judicial District 9
William K. Schmidt, Judicial District 9
Gary L. Donoyan, Judicial District 10
Michael A. Arcati, Judicial District 11
Gabrielle S. Cordova, Judicial District 11
Irwin Mark Weinblatt, Judicial District 11
Paul M. Grindle, Member-At-Large, Executive Committee

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark N. Axinn, Judicial District 1
Todd G. Haggerty, Judicial District 3
Nathan P. Dunn, Judicial District 4
John A. Janes, Judicial District 4
Karyn A. Keniry-Thompson, Judicial District 4
Zachary D. Remian, Judicial District 4
Mark E. Glogowski, Judicial District 7
Andrew C. Hollister, Judicial District 7
F. Patrick Mahoney, Jr., Judicial District 8
James P. Russell, Judicial District 7
Kevin A. Wilson, Judicial District 7
Tara L. Scrivano, Judicial District 8
Carmen Horan, Judicial District 10
Satinder Kaur, Judicial District 10
Mahavir Singh, Judicial District 10
Aaron A. Commey, Judicial District 12
Enmanuel H. Torres, Judicial District 12
Richard Bell, Judicial District 13
Susan B. Overeem-Cummings, Judicial District 13

OBSERVERS

Timothy "TJ" Ferreira, Porcupine Administrator

Andrew Kolstee issued a Credentials Report (**Exhibit 1**), including the announcement of three new vacancies in Judicial District 10, due to Deepak Bansal enrolling in the Democratic Party (**Exhibit 2**), Kenneth Epstein enrolling in the Republican Party (**Exhibit 3**), and Bobby Kalotee

enrolling in the Republican Party (**Exhibit 4**). The Chair announced the resignation of Kathleen Ligammari (**Exhibit 5**). The Credentials report was accepted without objection.

The Chair issued welcoming remarks.

Motion by Andrew Kolstee to **adopt the Special Rules of Order** was seconded by Mark Braiman and debated. Motion by Gary Donoyan to **amend the Special Rules of Order to insert a new Rule 5.2.6. “Members of the State Committee may make statements for or against the proposed removal”** was seconded by James Dayton and passed without debate 38-2 with 2 abstentions. The main motion to **adopt the Special Rules of Order (Exhibit 6)** passed as amended 31-3 with 2 abstentions.

Motion by Mark Braiman to **suspend the Special Rules of Order in order to amend the agenda to consider rescinding the motion to hold a hearing previously adopted by the State Committee on January 31, 2021** was seconded by David Fite, debated, and passed 34-2, with 5 abstentions.

Motion by Mark Braiman to **rescind the motion previously adopted by the State Committee on January 31, 2021 to approve a hearing to be held by the State Committee in accordance with Article 11 of the Rules of the Libertarian Party in order to remove Kenneth Epstein, Carmen Horan, Bobby Kalotee, and Mahavir Singh as Members of the State Committee from Judicial District 10 on the charges of filing fraudulent certificates of authorization for fourteen (14) candidates at the New York State Board of Elections, and filing fraudulent rules of purported County Affiliates in Nassau and Suffolk Counties at the Nassau and Suffolk County Board of Elections** was seconded by _____ and debated. Andrew Kolstee raised a point of order that any motion regarding the consideration of the hearing is out of order because the vote to hold a hearing was held in Executive Session at the meeting of December 22, 2020. The Chair ruled that Mark Braiman’s motion is in order. Andrew Kolstee challenged the ruling of the chair, which failed due to the lack of a second. Mark Braiman’s motion to **rescind the motion previously adopted** passed 31-5 with 3 abstentions.

Motion by Paul Sechrist **to adjourn** was seconded by Lora Newell.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee,
Secretary

Exhibit 1

Credentials Report of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of February 21, 2021

The State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York consists of 69 according to their Judicial District. The following 63 individuals were duly elected, appointed to fill a vacancy, or are an ex-officio member of the State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York:

Judicial District 1

- Mark N. Axinn
- Ilya Schwartzburg
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

Judicial District 2

- Gilbert L. Midonnet
- Matthew I. Morgan
- Gary S. Popkin
- Stacey H. Prussman

Judicial District 3

- William Cody Anderson
- Jay A. Carr
- Todd G. Haggerty
- Lora L. Newell

Judicial District 4

- Robert M. Arrigo
- Nathan B. Dunn
- John A. Janes
- Brandon Lyon
- Karyn A. Keniry-Thompson
- Zachary Daniel Remian

Judicial District 5

- Rachel E. Becker
- Milva E. Dordal
- David E. Fite
- Shawn Hannon
- Craig A. Miles
- Sean S. Stevens

Judicial District 6

- Mark S. Braiman
- Timothy M. O'Connor
- Christopher M. Olenski
- Richard F. Purtell
- Thomas D. Quiter
- Paul C. Sechrist

Judicial District 7

- Steven G. Becker
- Kari R. Bittner
- Eric A. Cooper
- Anthony D'Orazio
- James M. Dayton
- Mark E. Glogowski
- Andrew C. Hollister
- Sean C. Phelan
- James P. Russell
- Kevin A. Wilson

Judicial District 8

- Erin M. Becker
- Francis Law
- Andrew M. Kolstee
- Peyton D. Kunselman
- F. Patrick Mahoney, Jr.
- Leonard E. Morlock
- Tara L. Scrivano
- Duane J. Whitmer
- *VACANT*

Judicial District 9

- Daniel P. Donnelly
- Pietro S. Geraci
- Robert J. Greibesland
- Anthony W. Pellegrino
- William K. Schmidt

Judicial District 10

- Gary L. Donoyan
- Carmen Horan
- Satinder Kaur
- Mahavir Singh
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*
- *VACANT*

Judicial District 11

- Michael A. Arcati
- Gabrielle S. Cordova
- Irwin Mark Weinblatt

Judicial District 12

- Aaron A. Commey
- Emmanuel H. Torres

Judicial District 13

- Richard Bell
- Susan B. Overeem Cummings

Ex-Officio

- Paul Grindle

There are currently two (2) vacancies on the State Committee: two (2) in Judicial District 1, one (1) in Judicial District 8 due to the resignation of Kathleen Ligammari, and three (3) resignations in Judicial District 10 due to the vacancies created by Deepak Bansal changing his enrollment to the Democratic Party, Kenneth Epstein changing his enrollment to the Republican Party, and Bobby K. Kalotee changing his enrollment to the Republican Party.

Andrew M. Kolstee
Secretary

Exhibit 2

Voter Details Screen for VoterL

voterlookup.elections.ny.gov

NY State Board of Elections

Voter Registration and Poll Site Search Results


Polling Place Information

Early Voting Poll Site

Election Day Poll Site

This is the current polling place assigned to "78 FROEHLICH FARM RD, HICKSVILLE 11801" by your County Board of Elections as of 04/10/2012

WOODLAND SCHOOL
85 KETCHAM RD
HICKSVILLE, 11801 [Get Directions](#)



85 Ketcham Ave
[View larger map](#)

Voter Information

Name : BANSAL, DEEPAK
Address : 78 FROEHLICH FARM RD, HICKSVILLE 11801
Mailing Address (if any) :
Political Party : Democratic
Voter Status : Active

Voter District Information

Election District : 69
County Legislative District : 14
Senate District : 5
Assembly District : 15
Congressional District : 3
Town : OB
Ward : 15

Exhibit 3

Voter Details Screen for VoterL x

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NY State Board of Elections

Voter Registration and Poll Site Search Results

Polling Place Information

Early Voting Poll Site


Election Day Poll Site

This is the current polling place assigned to "547 SUMMIT AVE, BALDWIN 11510" by your County Board of Elections as of 07/17/2020

FORTESQUE AVE SCHOOL # 3 GYM
2852 FORTESQUE AVE
OCEANSIDE, 11572 [Get Directions](#)

2852 Fortesque Ave

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Voter Information

Name : EPSTEIN, KENNETH

Address : 547 SUMMIT AVE, BALDWIN 11510

Mailing Address (if any) :

Political Party : Republican

Voter Status : Active

Voter District Information

Election District : 73

County Legislative District : 7

Senate District : 9

Assembly District : 20

Congressional District : 4

Town : HEM

Ward : 20

Exhibit 4

Voter Details Screen for VoterL

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NY State Board of Elections

Voter Registration and Poll Site Search Results

Polling Place Information

Early Voting Poll Site


Election Day Poll Site

This is the current polling place assigned to "5 BRADLEY CT, SYOSSET 11791" by your County Board of Elections as of 03/03/2004

BERRY HILL SCHOOL
181 COLD SPRING RD
SYOSSET, 11791 [Get Directions](#)

181 Cold Spring Rd

[View larger map](#)



Voter Information

Name : KALOTEE, BOBBY K

Address : 5 BRADLEY CT, SYOSSET 11791

Mailing Address (if any) :

Political Party : Republican

Voter Status : Active

Voter District Information

Election District : 28

County Legislative District : 18

Senate District : 5

Assembly District : 15

Congressional District : 3

Town : OB

Ward : 15

Exhibit 5

2/2/2021

Roundcube Webmail :: Resignation

Subject **Resignation**
From Kathy <kayraca@gmail.com>
To <chair@lpny.org>
Date 2021-02-02 20:44



Hello -Please be advised that I am resigning from any and all positions in the LPNY. I am no longer enrolled in the party.

Thank you,
Kathleen Ligammari

Sent from my iPad

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Special Rules of Order of the Libertarian Party of New York for the State Committee Meeting of February 21, 2021

As adopted by the State Committee on February 21, 2021.

Rule 1. **AGENDA.** The order of business shall be as follows:

- (a) The Chair shall call the meeting to order.
- (b) The Secretary shall call the roll to identify the elected State Committee members present.
- (c) Adoption of the Special Rules of Order of the State Committee Meeting.
- (d) Hearings.
- (e) Old business.
- (f) New business.
- (g) Adjournment.

Rule 2. **CREDENTIALS.** The Secretary, directly after the opening ceremonies of the business meeting, shall call the roll of the elected members of the State Committee.

Rule 3. **IDENTIFICATION OF VOTING MEMBERS.** To facilitate identification, seating, and voting, members and others shall be required to retain and display upon request the wristbands, voting cards, or other indicia issued by the organizers of the meeting upon registration. Division votes, whether simple or counted, shall be taken by members' standing and display of such voting member indicia. For meetings held by teleconference, voting members shall be identified within the platform or platforms used to conduct the meeting.

Rule 4. **DEBATE.**

Rule 4.1. No member shall speak in debate on the same question a second time until every other member who wishes to speak had the opportunity to do so.

Rule 4.2. No member shall speak in debate on the same question more than twice or longer than three (3) minutes in total without permission of the State Committee granted by a two-thirds vote without debate.

Rule 5. **HEARINGS.**

Rule 5.1. **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.** The following shall be the order of the proceedings:

Rule 5.1.1. The Chair shall call the hearing to order.

Rule 5.1.2. The Secretary shall read the charges and the motion that led to the hearing.

Rule 5.1.3. The Chair shall ask the defendant how they plead.

Rule 5.1.4. If the defendant pleads guilty, the voting body shall discuss the penalties and issue a ruling.

Rule 5.1.5. If the defendant pleads not guilty, the body shall proceed with a trial in accordance with Rule

5.2. The Chair shall ask who is representing each party, if any.

Rule 5.2. **ORDER OF THE TRIAL.**

Rule 5.2.1. Each party shall issue opening statements. The managers shall issue the first opening statement and then the accused shall issue an opening statement.

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Rule 5.2.2. The managers shall call witnesses for the organization.

Rule 5.2.3. The accused shall call witnesses.

Rule 5.2.4. After the calling of witnesses, each party shall have the opportunity for a rebuttal of the witnesses. The managers shall speak first, followed by the accused.

Rule 5.2.5. Each party shall issue closing statements. The managers shall speak first, followed by the accused.

Rule 5.2.6. Members of the State Committee may make statements for or against the proposed removal.

Rule 5.3. **ISSUANCE OF RULING.** Following the hearing, the body making the decision on the hearing shall do so in accordance with Article 11 of the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York.

Rule 6. **PLATFORM.** When discussing the Platform, the previously adopted Platform shall be the base on which amendments, additions, or deletions shall be offered. Such changes to the Platform shall require a vote in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party.

Rule 7. **RESOLUTIONS.**

Rule 7.1. A resolution offered by an individual member shall be submitted by the maker and the seconder – each of whom shall be a member of the State Committee – and shall be sent by email directly to the Secretary.

Rule 7.2. The Resolutions Subcommittee may convene during the main meeting to consider resolutions. Each member who offers a resolution shall be given an opportunity to explain it to the Resolutions Subcommittee if he so requests.

Rule 7.3. The Resolutions Subcommittee shall review all resolutions in the order they were submitted, and shall amend the text of each resolution to the satisfaction of the member that submitted the resolution, while satisfying formatting requirements, grammar, clarity, etc. The Resolutions Subcommittee shall present a report to the State Committee of all resolutions in the order they deem appropriate.

Rule 8. **PERMANENT RECORD.** All reports and other material for the permanent record or printed proceedings shall be typewritten and, immediately on presentation, shall be sent to the Recording Secretary in electronic form.

Rule 9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS.** Notices for announcement to the convention shall be in writing, signed by the person (or a proper representative of the persons) under whose authority the announcement is issued, and shall be sent to the desk of the Recording Secretary.

Rule 10. **SUSPENSION OF SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER.** These Special Rules of Order may only be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.