

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DELEGATE SELECTION COMMITTEE
OF THE LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023 ON THE ZOOM MEETING APP**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Andrew Kolstee, Chair
Shawn DeGrand
Chance Haywood
Adam Magoon
Leonard Morlock
Christopher Olenski
Michael Rebmann

MEMBERS ABSENT

Susan Overeem-Cummings
Justin Pelletier

OBSERVERS

Duane Whitmer

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Andrew Kolstee, Chair. It was determined that quorum was present. Michael Rebmann joined the committee.

Andrew Kolstee explained the history of the delegate selection process back to the 2016 Libertarian National Convention.

Andrew Kolstee presented a draft rubric, as follows, in the form of a proposed amendment to the Rules, in order to prevent going through the same process every two years and also providing transparency to potential delegates on the selection process.

13.4. MANNER OF SELECTION OF AT-LARGE DELEGATES. All At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates shall be selected by the State Committee in accordance with **a the rubric provided in these Rules in which a line of succession is established for ranking Delegates and Alternate Delegates. approved at a meeting of the State Committee. The rubric must provide criteria in order to rank At Large Delegate and At Large Alternate Delegate candidates in a line of succession.** At-Large Delegates shall be selected in the order in accordance with the rubric until all the At-Large Delegate seats are filled. At-Large Alternate Delegates shall be selected in the order in accordance with the rubric until all the At-Large Alternate Delegate seats are filled. Vacancies of **At-Large Delegate positions** shall be filled by selecting the next individual in the line of succession. **Ties shall be broken by a vote of the State Committee.** The final list of Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall be ratified at a meeting of the State Committee. **Additional At-Large Alternate Delegates may be added after the election of the initial election of At-Large Delegates and At-Large Alternate Delegates and shall be added to**

the end of the list in chronological order of their selection as an additional Alternate Delegate.

13.4.1. **RUBRIC.** Delegates to the Libertarian National Convention shall be selected in accordance with this rubric and in accordance with the Rules of the Libertarian Party of New York.

13.4.2. **INTENTION OF ATTENDING.** Only individuals who have confirmed their intention to attend the Libertarian National Convention shall be appointed Delegates and ranked higher than those who have not confirmed their intention to attend. All other eligible individuals who have not yet confirmed for certainty of attending the Libertarian National Convention are only eligible to be Alternate Delegates. Should such an Alternate Delegate confirm their intention of attending the Libertarian National Convention, they shall be eligible for promotion to Delegate.

13.5.3. **CRITERIA.** Delegates shall be selected in the following priority order. Unless otherwise specified, ties shall be broken by prioritizing the older memberships to the National Libertarian Party.

13.5.3.1. Officers of the Executive Committee in the following order: Chair, Delegation Chair (if different from the Chair), 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

13.5.3.2. Members-At-Large of the Executive Committee, ranked in order of: seniority as a member of the Executive Committee, followed by seniority as a member of the State Committee, followed by the highest ranking in the next items on the rubric.

13.5.3.3. National Convention Committee members representing New York in the following order: National Platform Representative, National Credentials Representative, National Platform Alternate, National Credentials Alternate, and members of the National Convention Oversight Committee.

13.5.3.4. LPNY Members who are elected to public office by time in office.

13.5.3.5. Members of the State Committee who Chair a state-level committee or serve as a Division Director, ranked in order of appointment.

13.5.3.6. Members of the State Committee who are Chairs of a County Affiliate, in order of election as a County Chair.

13.5.3.7. Statewide candidates of the Libertarian Party, ranked in order starting with the most recent election, and then ranked in order by office: Governor, Lt. Governor, U.S. Senator, Attorney General, and Comptroller.

13.5.3.8. Members of the State Committee who are a member of a state-level committee in order of appointment to the committee.

13.5.3.9. Members of the State Committee who are past officers of the Libertarian Party of New York, ranked in order from most recent election to party office, starting with each past Chair, then each past Vice-Chair, then each past Secretary, then each past Treasurer.

13.5.3.10. Non-State Committee Members who are Chairs of a County Affiliate, ranked in order of seniority.

13.5.3.11. Members of the State Committee who are Vice-Chairs of a County Affiliate, ranked in order of seniority. In counties with more than one Vice-Chair, the 1st Vice-Chair shall be ranked before the 2nd Vice-Chair.

13.5.3.12. Members of the State Committee who are Secretaries of a County Affiliate, ranked in order of seniority.

- 13.5.3.13. Members of the State Committee who are Treasurers of a County Affiliate, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.14. Members of the State Committee who are Acting County Chairs or County Liaisons of unorganized counties, ranked in order of seniority by appointment, then by election to the State Committee.
- 13.5.3.15. All other members of the State Committee, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.16. County Vice-Chairs not on the State Committee, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.17. County Secretaries not on the State Committee, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.18. County Treasurers not on the State Committee, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.19. Acting County Chairs or County Liaisons who are not on the State Committee, ranked in order of seniority.
- 13.5.3.20. Non-State Committee Members who are Past Chairs of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.21. Non-State Committee Members who are Past Vice-Chairs of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.22. Non-State Committee Members who are Secretaries of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.23. Non-State Committee Members who are Past Treasurers of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.24. Non-State Committee Members who are Past Members-At-Large of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.25. Non-State Committee Members who are Past Members of the State Committee of the Libertarian Party of New York, starting from the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.26. Former County Chairs, ranked in order starting with the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.27. Former County Vice-Chairs, ranked in order starting with the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.28. Former County Secretaries, ranked in order starting with the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.29. Former County Treasurers, ranked in order starting with the most recent election.
- 13.5.3.30. Current Libertarian Party candidates.
- 13.5.3.31. Former Libertarian Party candidates, in order starting with the most recent election, ranked by vote percentage on the Libertarian Party line.
- 13.5.3.32. Former Libertarian Party National Convention delegates, by number of times a delegate.
- 13.5.3.33. Life Members of the Libertarian Party, ranked in order of National Libertarian Party membership, starting with the oldest.
- 13.5.3.34. All other LPNY Members, ranked in order of National Libertarian Party membership, starting with the oldest.
- 13.5.3.35. All other applicants in order of date and time of application.

13.5.4. **SUCCESSION.** In accordance with Article 13.4 of the Rules of the Libertarian Party, Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall be selected ranked by the criteria in Section 4 of this rubric. Individuals in more than one criteria category shall be ranked in the highest category.

No formal motions were given, but the following section was struck due to the difficulty of clearly establish intent and concerns over requiring access to invoices or receipts of delegates, proving their travel plans:

13.4.2. **INTENTION OF ATTENDING.** Only individuals who have confirmed their intention to attend the Libertarian National Convention shall be appointed Delegates and ranked higher than those who have not confirmed their intention to attend. All other eligible individuals who have not yet confirmed for certainty of attending the Libertarian National Convention are only eligible to be Alternate Delegates. Should such an Alternate Delegate confirm their intention of attending the Libertarian National Convention, they shall be eligible for promotion to Delegate.

The following section was struck:

13.5.3.7. Statewide candidates of the Libertarian Party, ranked in order starting with the most recent election, and then ranked in order by office: Governor, Lt. Governor, U.S. Senator, Attorney General, and Comptroller.

The following section was partially struck as indicated by struck text in orange:

13.5.3.31. Former Libertarian Party candidates, ~~in order starting with the most recent election, ranked by vote percentage on the Libertarian Party line.~~

The following section was partially struck as indicated by struck text in orange:

13.5.4. **SUCCESSION.** In accordance with Article 13.4 of the Rules of the Libertarian Party, Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall be selected ranked by the criteria in Section 4 of this rubric. ~~Individuals in more than one criteria category shall be ranked in the highest category.~~

Andrew Kolstee presented a list of 41 delegates applications. Even though New York has 41 delegate positions, only 34 of the applicants were eligible while 7 were ineligible. Kolstee will contact the ineligible delegates to notify them in case they need to rectify their eligibility status.

The next meeting was set for Monday, January 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 8:36 p.m.

Andrew Martin Kolstee
Chair of the Delegate Selection Committee