

Libertarian Party of California

Executive Committee Minutes

July 18, 2015
Double Tree by Hilton LAX
1985 E Grand Avenue
El Segundo, California 90245

Call to Order

Ted Brown called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

Roll Call

The following members of the Executive Committee were present:

Ted Brown, Chair
Brian Thiemer, Northern Vice Chair
Jonathan Jaech, Southern Vice Chair
Kevin Duewel, Secretary
Emily Tilford, Treasurer

Boomer Shannon, At-Large
Mark Hinkle, At-Large
Mike Sertic, At-Large
Jeff Hewitt, At-Large
Ray Fostore, At-Large
Eric Vaughnes, At-Large
Jason Wu, At-Large
Jarrett Tilford, At-Large
Jim Hoerricks, At-Large
Leon Weinstein, At-Large

David Bowers, Alternate

Agenda

Motion: Kevin Duewel moved to strike discussion of replacing the LNC Alternate Region 4 from the agenda.

During debate, Kevin Duewel expressed that it was inappropriate to consider removing LNC Alternate Scott Lieberman when he was unable to be present, given that the LPC EC meeting was scheduled at the same time as a LNC Meeting. Jeff Hewitt spoke to his positive experience working with Mr. Lieberman while Mark Hinkle contended he make a better LNC Alternate.

Vote: The motion carried by voice count.

Motion: Ray Fostore moved to add discussion of LPEX and revenue from the 2015 State Convention to the agenda.

Vote: The motion was adopted by voice count.

Chair Report

In the Chair Report, Ted Brown addressed his message from the Chair on the state party website and the email he sent to the membership. He also addressed his work on fundraising and gathering bids for the 2016 state convention.

Northern Vice Chair Report

In the Northern Vice Chair Report, Brian Thiemer spoke about attending a well attended mixer hosted by the Libertarian Party of El Dorado County and an regular meeting of the Libertarian Party of Contra Costa County.

Southern Vice Chair Report

In the Southern Vice Chair Report, Jonathan Jaech reported that the Libertarian Party of Riverside County convention is scheduled September 23. Boomer Shannon is assisting with logistics and current Libertarian Party of Riverside County Chair Gene Berkman is organizing. Jonathan shared that Kern County remains to be organized, and that any interested parties should contact Max Sallam. Likewise, any interested parties in San Lois Obispo County should contact Gail Lightfoot. Mr. Jaech also shared that the Southern California Conference is scheduled for January 16, 2016, and is being organized by Ray Fostore and Boomer Shannon.

Secretary Report

In the Secretary Report, Kevin Duewel reported that Libertarian Party of California had 726 members. Since the previous Executive Committee meeting, the Executive Committee voted by email to adopt the minutes from the 2015 State Convention and the May 31 Executive Committee Meeting. Mr. Duewel requested members keep the internal Executive Committee discussion list and conference calls to discussion, rather than deciding business.

Treasurer Report

In the Treasurer Report, Emily Tilford presented the budget she prepared with Janine Kloss.

Newsletter

Elizabeth Brierly was invited to present a proposal to the Executive Committee. Ms. Brierly proposed publishing a regular newsletter on behalf of the state party as an independent

contractor. The Executive Committee took no action but committed to discuss the proposal further.

Motion: Boomer Shannon moved to recess at noon for lunch

Vote: Motion carried by voice count.

Ted Brown brought the meeting back to order at 12:58 PM.

California Cannabis Hemp Initiative

Representatives from California Cannabis Hemp Initiative (CCHI) 2016 presented to the executive committee.

Motion: Ray Fostore moved to endorse CCHI 2016.

Vote: The motion carried by voice count.

The executive committee entered executive session at 1:27 PM to discuss a legal issue.

The executive committee returned from executive session at 2:30 PM.

Legal Entity

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved to incorporate the Libertarian Party of California.

Motion: Kevin Duewel moved to table the motion.

Vote: The motion to table carried by voice count.

Motion: Boomer Shannon moved to direct the officers to seek additional legal counsel and to present a proposal to the executive committee.

Vote: Motion failed by standing vote.

Directors and Officers Liability Insurance

Motion: Jonathan Jaech moved to suspend the rules to consider a motion to seek quotes for officers and directors liability insurance.

Vote: Motion to suspend the rules carried by voice count.

Vote: Motion carried to seek quotes for officers and directors liability insurance.

Executive Director

After discussion, Ted Brown notified the Executive Committee that he appointed Janine Kloss as a volunteer Executive Director.

Website Committee

Motion: Ray Fostore moved to appoint Jarrett Tilford, Jason Wu, Kevin Duewel, EJ Badillo, and Tyler Kuskie to a website committee.

Vote: Motion carried by voice count.

Closing the Office

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved to close the office of the Libertarian Party of California at 770 L Street, Sacramento, California and establish a new legal mailing address.

Vote: Motion carried by voice count.

California College Libertarians Chairman

Motion: Boomer Shannon moved to appoint Jason Wu as Chairman of the California College Libertarians.

Vote: Motion carried by voice count.

Fundraising

After presentation of a proposed contract to enter into an independent contractor arrangement with Michael Cloud, the Executive Committee considered the contract.

Motion: Jeff Hewitt moved that membership dues not be included in Mr. Cloud's fundraising campaign, and to postpone approval of the contract until further steps are taken.

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved to divide the question.

Vote: Motion to divide fails.

Vote: Main motion failed by voice count.

Motion: Kevin Duewel moved to take Mr. Hinkle's motion off the table.

Vote: Motion carried without objection.

Vote: Motion to incorporate the Libertarian Party of California failed by standing vote.

Adjourn

Ted Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:20 PM.