

Libertarian Party of California Executive Committee Meeting Minutes



June 26, 2021

Larkspur Landing
121 Iron Point Rd.
Folsom, CA 95630

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LPC Executive Committee Minutes

June 26, 2021
2nd Quarter Meeting
Larkspur Landing
121 Iron Point Rd.
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Call to Order

Chair Robson called the meeting to order at 10:04 am PST.

Roll Call

A quorum of the Executive Committee was present with the following voting members:

Officers:

Mimi Robson, Chair
Rachel Nyx, Vice-Chair
Jillian Olsen, Secretary (seated at 10:47)
Paul Vallandigham, Treasurer

Area Coordinators:

Jia Christopher, Northern Area Coordinator (seated at 10:49)
Jon Prosser, Central Area Coordinator
Tara Young, Southern Area Coordinator

At-Large Members:

Angela McArdle
Jillian Olsen (vacated at 10:47)
Kalish Morrow
Cheyne Strawn
Elizabeth Stump
Wendy Hewitt (seated at 11:20)
Kenneth Brent Olsen (seated at 11:20)
Adrian Malagon (seated at 11:20)

Jessica Tewksbury (seated at 11:20)

At-Large Alternates:

Michael Lema
Matthew Butts

Members Not Present:

None

Executive Director:

Tim Ferreira

The following guests were in attendance:

Tom Nichols
Boomer Shannon
Matyas Homer
Jeff Hewitt
Gary Alvstad
Terry East
Victoria Lapacek
Jessica Porter

Due to the Judicial Committee Ruling regarding the 2021 Convention Elections, at the start of the meeting the following 10 members were seated:

Mimi Robson-Chair, Rachel Nyx-Vice Chair, Paul Vallandigham-Treasurer (and acting Secretary), Jon Prosser, Tara Young, Jillian Olsen, Angela McArdle, Kalish Morrow, Cheyne Strawn, and Elizabeth Stump.

Motion: Ms. McArdle moved that the At-Large Alternates be seated as voting members with second.

The Chair ruled the motion out of order and read an opinion written by Richard Brown, Professional Parliamentarian (Appendix A).

Motion: Ms. McArdle appealed the ruling from the chair with second.

Vote: The ruling from the Chair was sustained on a roll call vote of 5-4-0-1 as follows:

Ms. McArdle	No
Ms. Morrow	Yes
Ms. Nyx	No
Ms. Olsen	Yes
Mr. Prosser	Yes
Ms. Stump	No
Mr. Strawn	Yes
Mr Vallandigham	Yes
Ms. Young	No
The Chair did not vote.	

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was distributed to all members via email prior to the meeting for review.

Chair Robson amended the agenda to add approval of Post-Convention Meeting Minutes with no objection. The agenda as amended was approved without objection.

FINAL AGENDA **Libertarian Party of California** **Executive Committee meeting** **June 26, 2021 –Folsom, California**

Call to Order–10:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda (5 minutes)

Public Comment (10 minutes–3 minutes per comment)

Fill Executive Committee Vacancies (30 minutes)

Secretary Election

Norther Area Coordinator Election

At-Large Member Election (3 positions)

Approval of Post-Convention Minutes (5 minutes)

Officer's Reports

Chair’s Report (10 minutes)
Vice-Chair’s Report (10 minutes)
Treasurer’s Report (10 minutes)
Secretary’s Report (10 minutes)
Operating Procedures Manual (10 minutes)
Northern Area Coordinator’s Report (10 minutes)
Central Area Coordinator Report (10 minutes)
Southern Area Coordinator Report (10 minutes)
LNC Report (10 minutes)
Hewitt for Governor Campaign Update

Break for Lunch

Election - Bylaws Committee (5 members-20 minutes)
Election - Platform Committee Coordinator (10 minutes)
Election - Program Committee (5 members-10 minutes)
Election - Budget Committee (4 members-10 minutes)
Election - Financial Standards Committee (3 members-10 minutes)
Election - National Platform Committee Representative and Alternate (10 minutes)
Election - National Credentials Committee Representative and Alternate (10 minutes)

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Staffing Committee Report (30 minutes)
Candidate Committee Report (10 minutes)
Affiliate Support Committee Report (10 minutes)
Style Committee Report (10 minutes)
Historical Committee Report (10 minutes)
Communications and Marketing Committee Report (10 minutes)
Social Media Committee (10 minutes)
2021 Convention Committee Report (10 minutes)
2022 Convention (10 minutes)
New Business (5 minutes)
Set Next Meeting- South (5 minutes)
Action Items (10 minutes)
Adjourn

Public Comment

Mr. Butts made a public comment, reading an email that he had received from a LPC Member.

Motion: Mr. Strawn Moved to recess for five minutes to fix the livestream with second and no objections.

Recess: The meeting recessed at 10:19 and was called back to order at 10:28

Dr. Kenneth Brent Olsen made a public comment (Appendix B).

Chair Robson read into the record a public comment submitted by David Bowers (Appendix C).

Fill Executive Committee Vacancies

Secretary Election

The Chair opened nominations.

Jessica Tewksbury was nominated by Angela McArdle.

Jillian Olsen was nominated by Kalish Morrow.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Vote:

Jillian Olsen	5
Jessica Tewksbury	4

Ms. Olsen was elected as Secretary and seated at 10:47.

Northern Area Coordinator Election

The Chair opened nominations.

Jia Christopher was nominated by Elizabeth Stump.

Nominations were closed.

Ms. Christopher was elected with a counted vote by raise of hands was 9-0-0-1, the Chair did not vote.

Ms Christopher was seated at 10:49.

At Large Election (4 positions)

The Chair opened nominations.

Jessica Tewksbury was nominated by Jia Christopher.

Kenneth Brent Olsen was nominated by Jia Christopher.

Adrian Malagon was nominated by Angela McArdle.

Rajani Maiatico was nominated by Jon Prosser.

Tom Nichols was nominated by Cheyne Strawn.

Wendy Hewitt was nominated by Kalish Morrow.

Nominations were closed and The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Motion: Mr. Strawn moved to let each candidate have 3 minutes to speak with second and no objections.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Vote:

Jessica Tewksbury	6
Kenneth Brent Olsen	6
Adrian Malagon	6
Wendy Hewitt	9
Rajani Maiatico	4
Tom Nichols	4

Ms. Tewksbury, Dr. Olsen, Mr. Malagon, and Ms. Hewitt were elected as At Large Members and seated at 11:20.

Officer's Reports

Chair's Report

Chair Robson submitted a written report (Appendix D) in advance and fielded questions.

Ms. McArdle left her seat at 11:20; First Alternate, Mr. Lema was seated in her place.

Point of Inquiry: Ms. Nyx asked if the Executive Committee members elected in today's meeting were serving one- or two-year terms. The Chair answered that it was noted in the Judicial Committee ruling, as well as in the Bylaws, that all of the vacancies filled by the Executive Committee would be up for reelection at the 2022 convention.

Motion: Mr. Strawn moved to extend time for 1 and a half minutes, with second and no objection.

Motion: Ms. Nyx moved to extend time for 2 mins, with second and no objections.

Vice Chair's Report

Ms. Nyx submitted a written report (Appendix E) in advance and fielded questions.

Secretary's Report

There was no Secretary Report

Motion: The Chair moved to amend the agenda to approve the post-convention minutes (that was missed on the agenda) with no objections.

Approval of Post-Convention Minutes

Mr. Strawn left his seat at 11:38; Second Alternate, Mr. Butts, was seated in his place.

Motion: Mr. Prosser moved to table approval of the post-convention Executive Committee minutes to an email ballot with second and no objections.

Motion: Chair Robson moved that we amend the agenda to put the Hewitt Campaign update after the LNC Report with second and no objections.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Vallandigham submitted a written report (Appendix F) in advance and fielded questions.

Motion: Mr. Malagon moved to extend time for 2 mins with second and no objections.

Operating Procedures Manual (OPM)

No amendments or additions were made. Dr. Olsen submitted a conflict of interest as per the OPM which is required for all Executive Committee Members.

Northern Area Coordinator's Report

Ms. Christopher submitted a written report (Appendix G) in advance and fielded questions.

Central Area Coordinator's Report

Mr. Prosser submitted a written report (Appendix H) in advance and fielded questions.

Southern Area Coordinator's Report

Ms. Young submitted a written report (Appendix I) in advance and fielded questions.

Mr. Strawn returned at 12:13 resuming his seat from Mr. Butts.

Dr. Olsen left his seat at 12:23; Second Alternate, Mr. Butts, was seated in his place.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Ferreira submitted a written report (Appendix J) in advance and fielded questions.

LNC Report

Supervisor Hewitt discussed the recent LNC meeting that took place in Chicago. He mentioned a Regional Rep had objected to the Convention Luncheon speaker Tom Woods. There was a vote, and he will remain as speaker. The LNC passed the budget and there was great progress made. Then New Hampshire happened and one sixth of the LNC has resigned. The Interim Chair is currently Vice Chair Ken Moellman. He then fielded questions.

Update on the Jeff Hewitt for Governor Campaign

Boomer Shannon discussed upcoming events. The Taxpayers Annual Dinner Event will be Wednesday June 30 in Sacramento, CA. Jeff Hewitt Campaign hotline is 951-588-5585. He is always looking for volunteers and brought 100 yard signs to pass out.

Break for Lunch 12:58

Back in Session at 2:05

Ms. McArdle returned at 2:05 resuming her seat.

Dr. Olsen returned at 2:05 resuming his seat.

Election - Bylaws Committee

The Chair opened nominations.

- Gary Alvstad was nominated by Angela McArdle.
- Rachel Nyx was nominated by Cheyne Strawn.
- Starchild was nominated by Elizabeth Stump.
- Cheyne Strawn was nominated by Jia Christopher.
- Adrian Malagon was nominated by Jia Christopher.
- Matyas Homer was nominated by Kenneth Olsen.
- Anna Mosiashvili was nominated by Kenneth Olsen.
- Chris Minoletti was nominated by Jon Prosser.
- Kenneth Olsen was nominated by Jon Prosser.
- Edward Barrett was nominated by Angela McArdle.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Mr. Strawn left his seat at 2:24; First Alternate, Mr. Lema, was seated in his place.

Ms. McArdle left her seat at 2:33; Second Alternate, Mr. Butts, was seated in her place.

Vote:

Rachel Nyx	10
Gary Alvstad	8
Cheyne Strawn	8
Adrian Malagon	8
Kenneth Olsen	8
Starchild	2
Anna Mosiashvili	3
Chris Minoletti	4
Edward Barrett	6
Steven Schultz	2 (write in)

Ms. Nyx, Mr. Alvstad, Mr. Strawn, Mr. Malagon and Dr. Olsen, were elected to the Bylaws Committee.

Election - Platform Committee Coordinator

The Chair opened nominations.

Joe Dehn was nominated by Chair Mimi Robson.

Adrian Malagon was Nominated by Kenneth Olsen.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Mr. Strawn returned at 2:38 resuming his seat from Mr. Lema.

Vote:

Adrian Malagon	9
Joe Dehn	6

Mr. Malagon was elected at the Platform Committee Coordinator.

Election - Program Committee

The Chair opened nominations.

Zach Kincaid was nominated by Matthew Butts.

Steve Shultz was nominated by Jessica Tewksbury.

Jessica Tewksbury was nominated by Tara Young.
Shawn Osborne was nominated by Matthew Butts.
Terry East was nominated by Jia Christopher.

Motion: Mr. Vallandigham moved that the nominees be elected as a slate with a no vote meaning NOTA, with second and no objections.

Vote: The slate was elected by voice vote.

Election - Budget Committee

The Chair opened nominations.

Cheyne Strawn was nominated by Jia Christopher.
Rajani Miaitico was nominated by Kenneth Olsen.
Jillian Olsen was nominated by Kalish Morrow.
Jason Regehr was nominated by Matthew Butts.
Kalish Morrow was nominated by Jillian Olsen.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Vote:

Cheyne Strawn	10
Rajani Miaitico	11
Jillian Olsen	11
Kalish Morrow	11
Jason Regehr	4

Mr. Strawn, Ms. Miaitico, Ms. Olsen, and Ms. Morrow were elected to the Budget Committee.

Election - Financial Standards Committee

The Chair opened nominations.

Edward Barrett was nominated by Jia Christopher.
Jason Regehr was nominated by Matthew Butts.
Tony Colon was nominated by Matthew Butts.
Steven Schultz was nominated by Cheyne Strawn.
Patrick Sather was nominated by Wendy Hewitt.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

First Round Vote:

Edward Barrett	12
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Steven Schultz	8
Jason Regehr	6
Patrick Sather	5
Tony Colon	4
NOTA	1

Mr. Barrett, Mr. Schultz and Mr. Regehr were elected. Mr. Colon was dropped from the next round ballot.

Second Round Vote:

Jason Regehr	6
Patrick Sather	6
NOTA	1

Motion: Dr. Olsen moved to suspend the rules so that the final member can be decided by coin toss due to the tie with second and no objections.

Mr. Regehr was elected to the Financial Standards committee on a coin toss of heads.

Election - National Platform Committee Representative and Alternate

The Chair opened nominations for National Platform Committee representative.

Gary Alvstad was nominated by Matthew Butts to be Representative.

Nominations were closed.

Vote: Mr. Alvstad was elected via voice vote.

The Chair opened nominations for National Platform Committee Alternate.

Rachel Nyx was nominated by Cheyne Strawn to be Alternate.

Nominations were closed.

Vote: Ms. Nyx was elected with a raised hand vote of 11-3

Election - National Credentials Committee Representative and Alternate

The Chair opened nominations

Jessica Tewksbury was nominated by Matthew Butts.

Cheyne Strawn was nominated by Kenneth Olsen.

Nominations were closed. The Chair appointed TJ Ferreira to be teller for the balloted election.

Vote:

Cheyne Strawn **9**
Jessica Tewksbury **5**

Mr. Strawn was elected National Credentials Committee Representative.

The Chair opened nominations for National Credentials Committee Alternate.

Jessica Tewksbury was nominated by Matthew Butts to be Alternate.

Nominations were closed.

Vote: Ms. Tewksbury was elected National Credentials Committee Alternate via voice vote.

Motion: Mr. Vallandigham moved to recess for 10 mins with second and no objections.

Recess: 3:35

Resume: 3:52

Ms. McArdle had returned at 3:52 resuming her seat from Mr Butts.

Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Staffing Committee Report

The Ad Hoc Staffing Committee Chair, Ms. McArdle, submitted a written report (Appendix K) in advance and fielded questions.

Motion: Ms. McArdle moved to extend time by 10 minutes with second and no objections.

Motion: Mr. Strawn moved to extend time by 5 minutes with second and no objections.

Motion: Dr. Olsen moved that we accept the committee's proposal with the amendment that the \$300,000 fundraising goal be lowered to \$200,000 in addition to the current annual budgeted income by the end of 2022, with second.

Motion: Mr. Malagon moved a substitute motion to accept the committee's proposal with the amendment that it be reevaluated once \$160,000 is raised in addition to the current annual budgeted income with second.

Motion: Mr. Prosser moved to extend time by 5 minutes with second with objections.

Vote: The motion to extend time failed by a raise of hands.

Vote: The substitute motion failed with on a raised hand counted vote of 6-6.

Vote: The main mention passed on a voice vote.

As the Ad Hoc Staffing Committee has completed its work the committee is now officially dissolved.

Candidate Support Committee Report

Candidate Support Committee Chair, Mimi Robson, submitted a written report (Appendix L) in advance and fielded questions.

Affiliate Support Committee Report

Affiliate Support Committee Chair, Kevin Moore, submitted a verbal report over the phone with updates on what the committee has been doing. He fielded question over the phone.

Style Committee Report

Style Committee Chair, Joe Dehn, submitted a written report (Appendix M) in advance with suggested style changes to be made to the LPCA Platform.

Motion: Chair Robson moved that this committee accept the style changes suggested by the Style Committee with second and no objections.

Historical Preservation Committee Report

Historical Committee Chair, Joe Dehn, submitted a written report (Appendix L) in advance.

Communications and Marketing Committee Report

Communications and Marketing Committee Chair, Peter Moulds, submitted a written report (Appendix N) in advance.

Mr. Moulds has submitted a written resignation from this committee effective after the next issue of the Beacon newsletter.

Social Media Committee Report

Social Media Committee Chair, Angela McArdle, submitted a report (Appendix O) in advance and fielded questions.

2021 Convention Committee Report

Mimi Robson submitted a written report (Appendix P) in advance and fielded questions.

2022 Convention

The 2022 Convention will be held at the Long Beach Marriott at 4700 Airport Plaza Dr, Long Beach CA, 90815, on February 18-20, 2022. The Chair has appointed Daniel Hayes to be the chair of the committee.

New Business

Motion: Dr. Olsen moved that the Libertarian Party of California endorse Kelley Carden for Kern County Board of Supervisors 2nd District.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote as follows:

Angela McArdle	Yes
Kalish Morrow	Yes
Rachel Nyx	Yes
Jillian Olsen	Yes
Jon Prosser	Yes
Elizabeth Stump	Yes
Cheyne Strawn	Yes
Paul Vallandigham	Yes
Tara Young	Yes
Jia Christopher	Yes
Jessica Tewksbury	Yes
Adrian Malagon	Yes
Kenneth Olsen	Yes
Wendy Hewitt	Yes
Mimi Robson	Yes

Set Next Meeting

Motion: Chair Robson moved to hold the next executive committee meeting on September 25, 2021, at the Old Town San Diego Fairfield Inn and Suites, located at 3900 Old Town Avenue, San Diego, CA 92110 with second and no objections.

Action Items

None

Adjournment

Motion: Ms. Hewitt moved that we adjourn with second and no objections.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jillian Olsen, Secretary

Approved by the Executive Committee on September 24, 2021 in San Diego, CA