

Libertarian Party of Idaho (LPID) Executive Board meeting of 13 Sep 2022

Present: Jayson Sorensen, Chair
Zach Callear, Vice-Chair
Adam Belnap, Treasurer
Dan Karlan, Secretary
Chris Ward, Region 1

Absent: Jennifer Imhoff, Region 2
Region 3 position is vacant by resignation

Also Present: Matt Loesby, JC Chair
Darian Drake, candidate
David Hynes
Edward Dindinger, possible consulting attorney
Mike Long

At 7:06 PM, the meeting was convened.

The Agenda was adopted:

Call to order

Roll call

Approval of previous board minutes

Public comment (20 min)

Reports of officers (20 min)

- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Region 1
- Region 2
- Region 3

Report by member who attended the illegitimate “Meeting of the members” (Mike Mastrioni)

Unfinished business (20 min)

- NDA
- Board/committee communications

New Business

- Discussion with IFF member Dustin Hurst about building coalitions (15 min)
- Presentation by Dan McKnight on Defend the Guard (15 min)
- Assigning Members to Committees (45 min)
- Executive session (if needed)
- Replacing Beth Clark as Region 3 rep (15 min)

- Discussion of Dan's rebuttal (15 min)
- Budget of COC-if possible (15 min)
- Consideration of Endorsing Darian Drake

Public Comment (15 min)

ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the 23 August 2022 meeting were approved without objection.

There was no Public Comment at this time.

Officer Reports:

The Chair reported that the financial assets are being sent from the illegitimate board to this Board through National LP HQ. The Chair mentioned his participation in the interview with Reason magazine, to provide the perspective of an affiliate that appears to be solving its own problems without imploding. He has fielded calls from Press regarding the candidacy of Darian Drake (Congressional District 1) filling the candidate vacancy created by the withdrawal of Joe Evans. The Chair would like to develop a Strategic Plan for review by this Board. He would also like to produce a Policy Manual for the Board and its subsidiary committees.

The Vice-Chair, also the Chair of the IT Committee, is working with the Treasurer on internal communications. He reported that we now have control of LPID.org, which he now is working to make it current and useable. Mention was made of a possible coalition with Idaho Freedom Foundation (IFF); that will be taken up later. There was also consideration of using Slack (©) or something similar, for discussions especially for committees. This is also later in the agenda.

The Treasurer reported that provided by the e-mail ballot (below, see Secretary's report), he has begun the process of establishing an account with Idaho Central Credit Union (ICCU). There are challenges, especially that an EIN, provided by the IRS, is needed, as well as physical addresses. He will check with LP Treasurer Todd Hagopian and possibly other affiliates, about how these requirements might be satisfied. On 10 September a report on donations was due; making sense of this is contingent on our having NationBuilder (©) operational; this requirement has not yet been satisfied.

The Secretary reported on the mail ballot that was conducted since the previous Board meeting:

On 29 August, the following e-mail ballot was introduced, co-sponsored by Zach Callear, Adam Belnap, and Dan Karlan:

It is moved that the Libertarian Party of Idaho set up a bank account with Idaho Central Credit Union in order for our Party to easily and efficiently run its business in all regions of Idaho.

On 8 September, the motion was ruled approved, with 3 votes in favor (the 3 co-sponsors), and no votes in opposition. The Chair explicitly abstained.

Region 1 Representative Chris Ward reported that they have a new facebook (©) account; events planned in early October in Moscow and mid-October in Sands Point.

Mike Mastrioni was invited to present an overview of the “Meeting of the Members” on 27 August.

Unfinished Business:

The NDA, adapted from the one used by the LP of California, has been approved by a local attorney for our use. Approval by the Board will be handled by e-mail ballot.

Regarding Board/Committee communication: Proposed to use Slack (©) or Element Messenger (©) (the latter is Open Source). Also to create a Virtual Private Server at a cost of about \$10/month.

New Business:

There was discussion with IFF (idahofreedom.org) Vice President Dustin Hurst (arrived about 7:45) about the potential for a coalition with LPID, with a focus on such issues as school choice.

Mr. McKnight did not appear for the next agenda item.

It was decided to proceed immediately to Executive Session, with invited guest attorney Edward Dindinger. The other non-Board members were escorted to the Zoom waiting room. The Executive Session, intended to take 30 minutes, began at 8:00. It was concluded at 8:35.

Assigning members to Committees: Bylaws was done at the prior Board meeting; Chris Ward offered to begin the work of the Membership Committee (also Convention Oversight Committee – COC); Adam Belnap was recognized as the current member of the Finance Committee; Dan Karlan is current member of the Platform Committee, and Todd Corsetti is the Public Relations Committee. It is assumed that each of those single-member committees will be enhanced by additional interested volunteers.

Zach Callear moved (seconded) that the Board authorize the IT Committee, to spend \$20/month to cover basic IT infrastructure needs. This passed without objection.

Zach Callear left the meeting at 9:00.

Adam Belnap moved (seconded) to endorse Darian Drake for Congressional District 1 in hopes that he becomes “Congressman Drake.” This passed without objection. Todd Corsetti must take the appropriate action to see that this substitution is effected.

The discussion of Dan's “Rebuttal” revealed some minor factual errors for which corrections were supplied; Dan will work on the update, including evidence that might be appropriate now that the minutes of the 27 August “membership meeting” are available, and will distribute that update.

There was no discussion of a budget for the COC.

The next meeting was not scheduled. This will be taken care of by the Chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Dan Karlan, Secretary