

Convention of the Libertarian Party of Idaho of 23 March 2024 Minutes

Call to order at 9:15 AM MST.

14 members credentialed:

Region 1      August Pope (late arrival, see next page)  
                  Amanda Ward  
                  Chris Ward

Region 2      Zach Callear  
                  Joe Evans  
                  David Hynes  
                  William Johanson  
                  Matt Loesby  
                  Robert Sharpe

Region 3      Adam Belnap  
                  Todd Corsetti  
                  Amber Corsetti  
                  Dan Karlan  
                  Jayson Sorensen  
                  Shelby Thomas

Evans moved (1) to amend the agenda to insert time for present Presidential candidate Chase Oliver after Treasurer's report. Approved without objection. (2) to amend to move the candidate endorsement to before "Other Business" Sunday (3 and 4). Passed without objection. Amended agenda adopted without objection.

Four volunteers for Minutes Approval Committee: Karlan, Loesby, Callear, Hynes.

Treasurer's report was presented.

Chase Oliver gave his 10-minute presentation (per the amendment 1 to the agenda).

Nominations for LPID officers.

Vice-Chair nominations: Chris Ward. Approved

Secretary: Matt Loesby. Approved

Loesby: motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to move regional representative selection as agenda item #13. No objection.

JC selection: 3 positions to fill. Nominations: Dan Karlan, Sterling Reece, Spencer Sexton. Motion to accept these nominations pending acceptance for the absent nominees. (Reece accepted over the phone at 9:50. Sexton accepted over the phone at 9:51.)

Regional Representatives were selected: Amanda Ward (1), Will Johanson (2), Todd Corsetti (3).

Bylaws proposal: Adopted without objection. Some discussion of JC revisit proposal for future consideration.

Bylaw proposal for consideration in 2025: Karlan presented his ideas for an enhancement to the Bylaws discussion of the Judicial Committee. The complete text of this proposal was not presented, but there was some discussion of the basic idea. The complete text, including the indication of the insertion point, follows:

Proposal to amend the Bylaws to facilitate reconsideration of a Judicial Committee decision, to be inserted before the last paragraph of Article IX, Section 6.

If the entire Judicial Committee unanimously chooses, it can append the qualifier “with prejudice” to a decision. This would amplify the requirements for future revisiting such a decision.

Any decision of the Judicial Committee can be revisited when requested by the Executive Board or by a petition signed by a minimum number of members. To apply a cooling-off period, if the “with prejudice” qualifier was not attached to the decision, the vote of the Executive Board must be a majority of the entire Board, or the petition requirement must be signatures of a majority of the entire membership plus 5 members. If the “with prejudice” qualifier was attached to the original decision, the vote of the Executive Board must be unanimous, or the petition must be signed by two-thirds of the members. The decision must be at least two years old to be eligible for revisiting if the “with prejudice” qualifier was not attached, or at least five years old if the “with prejudice” qualified was attached. No decision of the Judicial Committee can be challenged if, after the applicable cooling-off period, the decision is practically irreversible, though the Judicial Committee can review such a decision and, if appropriate, issue a finding that the original decision was in error in some way (which should be explained in the report), the purpose of the review being primarily to improve the ability of the Judicial Committee to reach reasonable and defensible decisions. The Judicial Committee will have sole authority to determine if a decision it has been asked to revisit is in fact practically irreversible. An example of an irreversible decision is one that resulted in the purchase of a good or service which has actually been acquired and used.

If the Judicial Committee has been asked, through the above process, to revisit a member expulsion, and the Judicial Committee determines that the expulsion should be reversed, it can specify the manner in which the desired outcome can be realized. For example, if the expelled member was a lifetime member, that membership could be restored, but the signature on the membership affirmation could be required anew. If the original expulsion is upheld, it cannot be revisited until a ten-year interval has passed (fifteen years if the expulsion was decided “with prejudice”), to reduce the ability of opponents of that decision to repeatedly pester the Judicial Committee with inappropriate requests to revisit the expulsion.

August Pope (1) credentialed. Total of 15 credentialed delegates.

Motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to move Lunch and Speaker to right before adjournment. Motion passed without objection.

The Awards and Recognition Committee presented the “LPID Libertarian of the Year” recognition to Matt Loesby.

Chair asked for general consent to amend the agenda to move items 9 and 10, in the opposite order, to before 16.

Nominations from the floor for delegate to National LP Convention open (9 seats): Jayson Sorensen, Sterling Reece, Zach Callear, David Hynes, Jennifer Luoma, Shon Luoma, Todd Corsetti, Chris Ward, Robert Sharpe, William Johanson, Matt Loesby, Joe Evans, Amanda Ward. Evans moved to suspend the rules to erase the seasoning period only for alternates. Vote 2-7, failed. Luomas, Wards, Evans, and Johanson are ineligible due to lack of national membership. Motion to approve the remaining 7 as Delegates. Motion to recess for 10 minutes to resolve this question. Motion adopted without objection. During recess, it was determined that Johanson IS qualified. Pending motion is now uses the list: Jayson Sorensen, Sterling Reece, Zach Callear, David Hynes, Todd Corsetti, Robert Sharpe, William Johanson, Matt Loesby. Motion passed.

Presentation by Dan McKnight followed.

Motion to support Defend the Guard. Approved without objection.

Motion to suspend to amend the agenda to move the Platform Committee report to Saturday immediately before adjournment. Motion fails. Motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to add item 15+ to introduce the Platform Planks for inspection and consideration, with the understanding that the actual debate will be Sunday. Fails 6-4.

Motion to adjourn until Sunday morning. Motion passed.

Sunday morning session called to order at 9:00. Present were 11 registered members, meaning quorum was achieved.

Loesby moved to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to move the Platform Committee to first item of the day. No objection.

Platform Report was presented, as in the Convention Agenda.

Proposal 0 (Omissions) adopted on a voice vote.

Proposal 1 (Freedom and Responsibility) Amendment to first sentence of Issue to eliminate specific arenas of government activity. Amendment passed. Amendment to change “necessary” to “natural” in second sentence. Amendment passed. Amendment to second sentence “been raised” to “become accustomed”. Amendment passed. Plank adopted.

Compiler’s Resolution was adopted.

Proposal 2 (Freedom of Religion) Amendment to include a brief definition of Natural Rights (wording not available), withdrawn. Motion to amend to replace “the Natural Rights doctrine” in all planks with “natural rights”. Passed without objection. Motion to include “non-religious minorities” where

appropriate in Issue. Amendment passed. Motion to amend Principle to include definition of Natural Rights. Move to consider this question as a Committee of the Whole. Motion adopted. Motion to adopt Natural Rights language be included. Motion passed without objection. Motion to change “The government” to “Government” (Solution). Failed. Moved to remove first paragraph of Transition; amended to remove only second sentence. Passed. Plank adopted.

Sterling Reece was credentialed. The delegate count is 16 (majority is 9, quorum is 7)

Proposal 3 (The Right to Property) Motion to amend title to “Abolish Civil Asset Forfeiture and Eminent Domain)” failed for lack of a second. Motion to change title to “Private Property Rights” passed without objection. Motion to amend 1<sup>st</sup> sentence of Principle, passed. Motion to delete “most important” language. Another amendment passed without objection. Move to delete final sentence of Principle; passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 4 (The Right to Keep and Bear Arms) Motion to clean up last sentence of Transition; passed on a show of hands. Identification of accessories in Solution passed. Motion to strike last sentence of Solution; failed. Plank adopted. Motion to add to Transition opposition to so-called red flag laws; passed.

Proposal 5 (Individual Sovereignty) Motion to divide by Nullification and Secession/Greater Idaho; fails. Move to change title to “Voluntary Association and Decentralization”; substitute amendment to “Individual Sovereignty and Voluntary Association”; substitute fails; original motion passes.

Motion to suspend the rules to amend agenda to allow the guests to speak: Lars Mapstead and Mike ter Maat, 10-15 minutes (each), passed.

Motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to allow candidates to ask for convention endorsement. Matt Loesby, House 1, motion to endorse, passed without objection. Todd Corsetti, House 2, motion to endorse, passed without objection. Sterling Reece, Elmore County Sherrif, motion to endorse, passed without objection.

Continuing with Platform Proposal 5 Motion to delete “also” in Issue, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 6 (Freedom of Communication) Motion to move the word “both” for grammatical reason, passed. Motion to insert “liberty as protected in the Constitution...” and remove “rights” at end; passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 7 (Poverty and Welfare) Motion to enlarge on text of initialisms (AFDC, DYFS, etc), etc; passed. Motion to delete text referring to divorce, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 8 (War on Drugs) motion to change “these” to “psychoactive”; substitute motion to delete “these” substitute passed. Moved to delete “a particular selection of”, passed. Motion to erase first sentence of second paragraph of Transition, Substitution passed. Motion to remove paragraph 2 of Transition, failed. Motion to delete entire last sentence of second paragraph of Transition, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 9 (Medical Mandates) Motion to amend second sentence of second paragraph of Solution, replace “They should” to “Government”, failed. Motion to change “They” to “Private organizations and

individuals”, passed. Motion to remove “by these elites”, “their” to “the”, passed. Other amendments. Plank adopted.

Proposal 10 (National Guard) Move to amend first word of Principle “Military” to “Militaries”, passed. Move to amend second Issue sentence from questions for sentences, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 11 (Crime) Insert “We propose” at the beginning of Solution, substitute, substitute passed. Change “individual” to “natural” at end of Principle, passed. Change “it” to “crime” in Issue. Motion to amend last sentence of Issue for readability. Other amendments. Plank adopted.

Proposal 12 (Education) Motion to include “religious schools, private schools, and charter schools” after “homeschooling”, Passed. More amendments. Plank adopted.

Proposal 13 (Unions and Collective Bargaining) Plank adopted.

Proposal 14 (Legal Tender) Several amendments. Plank adopted.

Proposal 15 (Finance and Capital Investment) Amended with addition of Transition, passed. Amendment to oppose all capital gains, passes. Change “moral hazard” to “conflicts of interest” passes. Plank adopted.

Proposal 16 (Juries) Amendment to add parenthetical after *voir dire*, passed. Motion to delete last sentence of Solution, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 17 (Criminal Justice Reform and Safeguard for the Criminally Accused) Karlan proposal to oppose the death penalty, passed. Plank not adopted.

Proposal 18 (Monopolies) One amendment. Plank not adopted.

Proposal 19 (Occupational Licensing) Plank adopted.

Proposal 20 (Protection of Privacy and Contract) Motion to delete Transition, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 21 (Public Land) Motion to insert “the residents of” before “Idaho” in the Solution, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 22 (Energy and Public Utilities) Moved to change title to “Energy”, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 23 (Subsidies) Change “maize” to “corn”, passed. “Price controls” added in places. Other amendments. Plank adopted.

Proposal 24 (Transportation) Delete “and jitney service”, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 25 (Taxation and Inflation Indexing) Plank adopted.

Proposal 26 (Agriculture) Motion to delete Transition, passed. Plank adopted.

Proposal 27 (Family Life, Women’s Rights, and Children’s Life) Moved to amend title to “Family, Women, and Children”, passed. Postpone until the end of the agenda, passed.

Proposal 28 (Discrimination) Plank adopted.

Proposal 29 (Election Laws) Motion to send this proposal back to the Platform Committee, passed.

Revisit Proposal 27 (Family, Women, and Children) Motion to delete entire 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph of Transition (Juvenile Courts), passed. Word change proposed, passed. Motion to amend final Transition paragraph, "The state should cease defining and regulating the institution commonly known as marriage", passed. Proposed to delete the first paragraph of Transition, passed. More amendments. Plank adopted.

Minutes Review Committee approved the above minutes, 5:20 PM MDT.