



Minutes

Libertarian Party of Florida

Executive Committee Special Meeting

Sunday, October 24, 2021

7:30 PM/Eastern 6:30 PM/Central

(267) 807-9605 Access Code 624-367#

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THIS CALL WAS RECORDED

<https://docs.lpf.org/meeting/october-24-2021-special-meeting>

Began Recording

Announced Recording

1. Called to order by Steven Nekhaila at 7:33 PM EDT.

2. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

1	Steven Nekhaila, Chair	Present
2	Josh Hlavka, Vice Chair	Present
3	Edward Appler, Secretary	Present
4	Patrick Leistner, Treasurer	Present
5	Suzanne Gilmore, At Large 1	Present
6	Lee Korotzer, At Large 2	Present
7	John Thompson, At Large 3	Present
8	Robert Vinson, Region 1	Present
9	Richard Perez, Region 2	Present
10	Ann Russo, Region 3	Present
11	Chris Jones, Region 4	Absent
12	Austin Lanteigne, Region 5	Present
13	J Mark Barfield, Region 6	Present
14	Krystina Baxter, Region 7	Present
15	Edin Veladzic, Region 8	Present
16	Marcos Marrero, Region 9	Absent
17	Adam Whitworth, Region 10	Present
18	James Pinkosky, Region 11	Present
19	John Paff, Region 12	Present
20	Karl Dickey, Region 13	Absent
21	Hector Roos, Region 14	Present

Invited Guests:

David Sexton, LNC (not present)

3. Determination of Quorum (a majority of its seated members per LPF Constitution, Art. III, Sect. 5C, as amended 2021-03-21). 11 with all EC positions filled. 18 present at roll call. Quorum determined.

4. Public Comment (< 10 Minutes)

None

5. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Nekhaila moved to approve; Ms. Baxter seconded. Mr. Nekhaila addressed issues with late agenda changes and RONR. The Chair withdrew Item 7B (Motion No. 718) from tonight's agenda, and ruled that Item 7A (Fundraising Contractor Report) was in order. Mr. Korotzer appealed the ruling of the Chair. Roll call vote (aye vote to uphold the ruling of the Chair) resulted in 9 ayes (Nekhaila, Hlavka, Leistner, Vinson, Perez, Baxter, Whitworth, Pinkosky, and Roos), 9 nays (Appler, Gilmore, Korotzer, Thompson, Russo, Lanteigne, Barfield, Veladzic, and Paff), and 0 abstains. Motion to uphold the ruling of the Chair failed. Amended agenda passed.

6. Unfinished Business

Motion No. 716

Title: Motion to Approve Funds for Holiday Fundraiser

Mover: Josh Hlavka; Mr. Pinkosky seconded.

Motion: I move to approve \$1,500 in expenditures for a Holiday Party for the Libertarian Party of Florida (LPF) scheduled for Saturday, December 11th, 2021. This event will be held at the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 2267 in Tamarac, FL.

The purpose of the event is political fundraising and entertainment. There will be at least one candidate in attendance speaking at the event, and there will be a screening of a documentary on the effects of the 2020 lockdowns on small business owners.

The ticketed portion of the event will include a guest speaker and Holiday Party, to include food, drinks, and gift bags.

This will be a test for the LPF's ability to hold events to attract LPF members for the purposes of fundraising outside of the Convention and Annual Business Meeting.

The reserved room can comfortably hold 50 people. With \$50 planned ticket prices, a full room would gross \$2,500. The expected expenditures are \$1,500, including room, drinks, food, expenses for speaker, speaker fee, speaker accommodation, AV, gift bags, decorations, and targeted direct mail marketing. The event needs 30 tickets sold to break even.

Potential sponsors will be contacted to help defray costs. There will be additional fundraising “asks” through the direct mail invitation campaign and during the event.

With this event, we should get good data regarding expected attendance, ticket costs, and fundraising expectations in order to plan future events.

Supporting document -

Estimated budget based on research: Libertarian Party of Florida Executive Committee Meeting
October 17, 2021

Disposition: Roll call vote resulted in 13 ayes (Hlavka, Leistner, Thompson, Vinson, Perez, Russo, Lanteigne, Baxter, Veladzic, Whitworth, Pinkosky, Paff, and Roos), 3 nays (Appler, Gilmore, and Barfield), and 2 abstains (Nekhaila and Korotzer).

~~7. New Business~~

~~A. Fundraising Contractor Report by Celicia Slafter and Vice Chair Josh Hlavka~~

~~https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cohy70UHFt9_n9IEo0c1fCRRXRp9qQGfHCO1o3BRn1s/edit?usp=sharing~~

~~B. Motion No. 718~~

~~**Title:** Resolution to Support the Reinstatement of Caryn Ann Harlos as LNC Secretary~~

~~**Mover:** Steven Nekhaila~~

~~**Motion:** The Libertarian Party of Florida shall direct the Chairman to deliver the following resolution to the Libertarian National Committee and the National Judicial Committee:~~

~~We, the Libertarian Party of Florida Executive Committee, do hereby support the reinstatement of Caryn Ann Harlos as LNC Secretary.~~

~~As Florida Libertarians, we are familiar with episodes of strife and fractionalization. We have been through the trials of removing members, and have always sided on elections and reputation to move the~~

~~party forward over removals which open the road to a dark place if not carried out with a surgeon's attention to detail and candor. We do not believe the evidence provided to the LNC for such a removal holds water.~~

~~Furthermore, we respect the sanctity and honor of the Non-Aggression Pledge, and to accuse one of violating such a pledge is akin to exile from the party and must not be taken lightly and any such accusation must be given the utmost prudence to investigate and give a fair trial.~~

~~Lastly, we are concerned whether the suspension of the LNC Secretary was passed by the inclusion of invalid votes by an alternate Regional Representative who are not considered LNC members according to the LNC bylaws and where at least one of the two alternates participating did not have the proper authorization to do so from their Regional Representative elected at convention as required under RONR and Virginia law.~~

~~Therefore, the Libertarian Party of Florida joins other state affiliates in solidarity of supporting Caryn Ann Harlos for reinstatement.~~

Note: Unapproved LPF-EC Special Meeting Minutes for 2021-10-13

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bQe8bzMY0kGqJEXkug1RnYwKRyVfVxhcsTP7CBLIEg/edit?usp=sharing>

8. The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on November 21, 2021.

9. Adjourn

Mr. Nekhaila moved to adjourn. With no objection, the meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM EDT.