



Minutes

Libertarian Party of Florida
Executive Committee
Sunday, October 22, 2017
Phone conference
7:30 PM/Eastern
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1. Call to order

Meeting was called to order by the Chair, Marcos Miralles, at 7:32 pm.

2. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

Present (14)

Marcos Miralles, Chair
Suzanne Gilmore, Secretary
Alison Foxall, At Large 1
Ryan Ramsey, Region 4
Paul Stanton Region 7
Char-Lez Braden, Region 10
Karl Dickey, Region 13

Omar Recuero, Vice Chair
James Morris, Treasurer
Russ Wood, At Large 2
Chaz Sanders, Region 6
George Lebovitz, Region 9
Shawn Elliott, Region 11
Steven Nekhaila, Region 14

Joined in Progress or Late (2)

Greg Peele, At Large 3 (8:35)

Mike Avi, Region 3 (7:53)

Not Present (3)

Ray McGee, Region 1 (E)
Mark Antonio Rodriguez, Region 8

Michael Cassidy, Region 5

Vacant (2)

[VACANT], Region 2

[VACANT], Region 12

Invited Guests Present:

- Ed Marsh P

3. Determination of Quorum

Quorum was met with 14 members initially present.

(Quorum is a majority of its seated members per By-Laws Art. III, Sect.4C as amended 05/06/2017) (11 when all EC positions are filled) (Currently there are 19 seated members, so quorum is 10 members).

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Alison Foxall and seconded by James Morris.

Motion passed without objection.

5. Approval of Minutes as posted.

Alison Foxall moved, seconded by Karl Dickey, that the minutes of October 1st, 2017 be approved as posted.

6. LNC Report: Ed Marsh and/or Steven Nekhaila

Ed Marsh reported that the LNC would be meeting in New Orleans December 9 and 10. Should have early bird pricing available soon for convention. Urged all to attend. LNC involved in HR 81 to get US out of Yemen.

7. Officers Reports or Comments

a. Secretary's Report - Suzanne Gilmore: Report is on the forums.

b. Treasurer's Report - James Morris - Donations down about half of last year. Posted reported of those who stopped monthly donations.

c. Vice-Chair Report - Omar Recuero - Report will be on the forums.

Has contacted most committee chairs. Reminding everyone to work towards the goals.

d. Chair's Report - Marcos Miralles - LRC Ariel Salazar needs email. Mr. Marchetti doing a list of suggestions for Platform to suggest to Platform Committee. Crevaux and Wasson working on fundraising ideas, including a paid position. Door to door for Coconut Grove candidates. Thanks to all who came out to help, especially Ronald Rollins. They were in debates and the Chair proxied for one who was unable to attend.

- Motion to accept resignation of Joshua Folsom from the Platform Committee, seconded by James Morris. Motion passed without objection.
- Appointment of Ben Bachrach as Region 12 Representative. Motion passed without objection. Motion passed with Recuero, Dickey, and Stanton abstaining.
- Appointment of Jordan Bosserman to the Candidate Committee. Motion passed with Recuero, Dickey, and Stanton abstaining.

8. At Large and Regions Reports

At Large 1 Alison Foxall - Getting more involved with student liberty movement and they are getting involved in her campaign. Suggests supporting Students for Liberty. Communications Committee being scheduled for the 3rd week in November. Meeting will cover a social media strategy and getting some chores handled.

At Large 2 - Russ Wood - Report is on the forums. Went to Sarasota for Foxall's kickoff. Attended Pinellas Co, spoke on statement of principles. Will attend SFL conference in Tallahassee this week-end.

At Large 3 Greg Peele - Not present

Ray McGee, Region 1 - Not present

[VACANT], Region 2 - No report

Mike Avi, Region 3 - Working on Wakula and SFL conference. Please attend.

Ryan Ramsey, Region 4 - Attended a county commissioner with some other LPFers. Working on a county affiliate formation.

Michael Cassidy, Region 5 - Not present

Chaz Sanders, Region 6 - Attended Lake Co. meeting. Marion Co. close to re-affiliation. Working on Sumter and Levy.

Paul Stanton, Region 7 - Attended family day in volusia. LPF was shut out of pride event.

Mark Antonio Rodriguez, Region 8 - Not present

George Lebovitz, Region 9 - Report is on the forums

Char-Lez Braden, Region 10 - Working on special election for Foxall. Donating to campaign.

Shawn Elliott, Region 11 - Working on Martin and St. Lucie Co.

[VACANT], Region 12 - No report

Karl Dickey, Region 13 - Report is on the forums. Close to first time affiliation Hendry Co. Palm Beach working regarding moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries. Will attend Boca Raton city council meeting. Broward quiet.

Steven Nekhaila, Region 14 - Miami-Dade Coconut Grove candidates debates this week being held. Monroe has been busy getting back on feet after the hurricane, will be back to work soon. Meeting tomorrow.

9. Candidate Committee Report, Pierre Crevaux for Chair Marialexandra Garcia reported

Quarterly Detailed Activity and Expense Report for Operation First Step

He has been assisting Candidate Committee with whatever they needed. Got about ½ dozen signed up to run for office. Sending candidates' info to Selection Committee. Still ID'ing all CDDs but not 100% sure how to reach out. A few counties haven't signed up. No expenses.

10. Unfinished Business

Motion No.: 504 (Report from Rules Committee)

Title: [Motion to Commit to the Rules Committee on the Constitutionality of the Selection Committee](#)

Mover: Marcos Miralles, seconded by Shawn Elliott

Text: I, Chairman Marcos Miralles, move to:

1) Commit to the Rules Committee the responsibility to decide the constitutionality of the composition of the Selection Committee considering the failure to elect committee members at the 2017 Annual Meeting, ~~with the power to rule the Selection Committee vacant from its current composition;~~ and present a report at the next EC Meeting.

~~2) Appoint, in the event of a vacancy ordered by the Rules Committee, and to satisfy the requirements of Article III, Section 5 of the Constitution, the following individuals on a preemptive basis, with the understanding that they shall take position only when and if the Rules Committee decides to vacate the Selection Committee:~~

- a. ~~Jordan Bosserman, from Region 4 as Chair~~
- b. ~~Philippe Cadorette, from Region 11~~
- c. ~~Jay Wood, from Region 6~~
- d. ~~Martin Golob, from Region 14~~
- e. ~~Derek Ryan, from Region 9; and~~

~~3) Require a report from the Rules Committee to be submitted at the next regular Executive Committee meeting and require the ruling to be enforced at the submission of the report; and~~

~~4) Waive, in the event of any violation of the Constitution found by the Rules Committee, any penalty to the Libertarian Party of Florida, its Executive Committee or any member thereof.~~

Disposition: Greg Peele moved and Shawn Elliott seconded to amend striking all the language in 1) after Annual Meeting and replacing with "and present a report at the next EC Meeting" and striking Items 2), 3), and 4).

Motion to amend passed: Ayes (8) Gilmore, Peele, Ramsey, Martin, Pierce, Elliott, Nekhaila, Miralles. Nays (5): Foxall, Wood, Stanton, Lebovitz, Dickey. Abstentions(2): McGee, Braden. Motion as amended passed.

Update: No report from Rules Committee provided 10/01.

10/22 Rules Committee Chair not present. S. Gilmore was asked to present. The EC properly ruled that a vacancy does not exist, even though the election was not held at convention. The LNC occasionally does not hold the elections at convention and the persons currently seated continue until the next convention. There are no specific rules. Custom then rules that the currently seated persons continue.

Motion 520 Postponed from October 1, 2017

Title: [Motion for Suspension of Ryan Ramsey from the LPF Executive Committee](#)


Mover: Paul Stanton and seconded by Char-Lez Braden

Text: I move to suspend Ryan Ramsey, Regional Representative for Region 4, from the LPF EC for violation of the Non-Aggression oath, in accordance with Article II Section 6 of the LPF bylaws.

Non-Aggression oath: "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals."

source: http://lpedia.org/Libertarian_pledge

Malamento. The first time Stanton threatened me with censure, was about 30 seconds after I concluded a conversation in which I attempted to convince Mr. Marchetti, PA, that spreading these fake police reports was harmful to the party. He tried to claim I threatened him. Pictures of him wearing t-shirts advocating beating his philosophical opponents unconscious, and advocating the murder of the entire white race surfaced, effectively making him a NAP violator by default, and thus subject to use of force by anyone at any time. Thus, the first censure attempt of the week died. He found another excuse though, and it was an honor to face censure for trying to save the party from these Marxist fools. He literally tried to censure me for trying to save the party from financial insolvency and defending the rights of a member in good standing.

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Disposition: Motion failed (requires $\frac{2}{3}$ majority). Ayes (6) Recuero, Morris, Gilmore, Stanton, Braden, Dickey. Nays (7) Foxall, Peele, Avi, Sanders, Lebovitz, Elliott, Nekhaila. Abstentions (1) Wood.

11. New Business

Motion No.: 521

Title: [Certify Bryan Zemina](#)

Mover: Omar Recuero for the Selection Committee, seconded by Alison Foxall

Text: On behalf of the selection committee, I hereby move the LPF certify the campaign of Bryan Zemina, candidate for FL House 58 special election.

Description:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B0zUMyC1iJ0ZeHhtMDI0U2oxQWc/view?usp=sharing>

Disposition: Motion passed unanimously

Motion No.: 522

Title: [Contribution to Bryan Zemina's Campaign](#)

Mover: Alison Foxall, seconded by James Morris

Text: I move that the LPF contribute \$1,000 to Bryan Zemina's House District 58 (Tampa) special election campaign.

Discussion: Bryan's election is December 19th, 2017. He is a strong candidate and a professional, working as an engineer in Hillsborough County. In addition to expending party funds, I encourage all EC members to donate to his campaign, and all region reps to urge their members to donate across the state. Bryan needs a strong showing of party backing.

Website: <https://bryanzemina.com/>

Disposition: Ms. Gilmore asked that this be considered as a stand alone and not precedent setting and urged all EC members to donate to the EC to recompense the treasury if passed.

Motion passed with Recuero abstaining.

Motion No.: 523

Title: [Motion To Adopt Las Vegas Press Release](#)

Mover: Steven Nekhaila, seconded by Ryan Ramsey

Text: The Libertarian Party of Florida shall adopt the following press release concerning the October 1st, 2017 Las Vegas shooting stating the Libertarian Party of Florida's official position regarding the tragic loss of life and our continued hard line position on gun rights. The Press Release shall be released on official channels and to the press.

See Attached Document:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B0zUMyC1iJ0ZNDEwT0FTZVg2ajA/view?usp=sharing>

See Attached Document:

Disposition: Ms. Gilmore moved to refer to the Communications Committee to work on, seconded by Steven Nekhaila. Motion to refer passed without objection.

Motion No.: 524

Title: [Motion to Condemn the State of Florida Representatives and Senators that...](#)

Mover: Steven Nekhaila, seconded by Char-Lez Braden

Text: Motion to Condemn the State of Florida Representatives and Senators that Promote, Propose, Submit, and/or Co-Sponsor any Legislation Against the Civic, Human, and Common Law Freedoms of Undocumented Aliens

WHEREAS, the Libertarian Party was founded on principles often called libertarianism, which are based on the full spectrum of individual and social freedoms at its maximum expression; and

WHEREAS, these freedoms are based on unalienable, natural and common law rights, decreed and protected on such documents of grand historical importance for humanity such as the Magna Carta, the Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen (Déclaration des droits de l'homme et du citoyen), the Declaration of Independence, The Bill of Rights, The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, The Constitution of the USA, The Constitution of the State of Florida, amongst many others; and

WHEREAS, these freedoms, practices and concepts are timeless and universal and have as much impact on humanity today as they did before their comprehension and

practice by mankind, they are the same now that were before; and

WHEREAS, these freedoms were fundamental in the birth of our great nation and were fully understood and practiced by the Founders of our nation and were the foundation stone on which our country was birthed upon; and

WHEREAS, these freedoms are the same concepts that libertarianism was founded upon, when these freedoms were comprehended and enacted by mankind, that was also when libertarianism was born; and

WHEREAS, among these freedoms are, but not limited to, freedom of expression, freedom to move freely, freedom to earn a living, freedom to keep the fruit of one's labor, freedom to migrate, freedom to associate, freedom to worship or not to worship, right to the due process of law, right to be free from unreasonable searches and detention; and

WHEREAS, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed"; and

WHEREAS, The Representatives and Senators of the State of Florida took a Sworn Oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida, and they are using this consented power to legislate and try to take away rights outlined on the very same documents that their consented power to legislate is derived from, and therefore, using these powers against those that consented to be governed; and

WHEREAS, the current state legislature has already tried to pass 9 different anti-immigrant legislation following the cue of the White House to take many of these rights away from our fellow men, residents of the State of Florida according to state regulations, common and natural law; therefore

THEREFORE, the Libertarian Party of Florida moves to firmly condemn, with the full extent of its reach, the proposal, promotion, submission and/or co-sponsoring by any State Representative or Senator of any anti-immigrant legislation that hinders, interferes, and/or completely takes or waives any unalienable, natural or common law right from our fellow men, except in the case of convicted criminals.

Disposition: Motion passed. Ayes (7) Recuero, Morris, Peele, Ramsey, Sanders, Nekhaila, Miralles. Nays (6) Gilmore, Foxall, Wood, Lebovitz, Braden, Dickey. Abstentions (1) Elliott.

12. Notice

- a) The next LPF Executive Meeting will be on November 12th, 2017.

Request by Steven Nekhaila to suspend the rules to accept the reported resignation of Paul Stanton as a regional representative. Ms. Gilmore stated that there is no official resignation received and it would be premature and therefore, out of order. The chair agreed.

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Omar Recuero was seconded by Alison Foxall.
Motion passed without objection.
Meeting adjourned at 9.33 pm.