



Meeting Minutes

Meeting	LP Harris Business Meeting	Date	April 15, 2025
Facilitator	Christy Ford (Vice Chair)	Time	6:45PM
Typed by	Michael Winters (Secretary)	Location	Barbara Bush Library 6817 Cypresswood Dr, Spring TX
Attending Members	Christy Ford (Vice Chair) Aaron Ramos (Treasurer) Michael Winters (Secretary) Billy Pierce (Director At-Large) Mike Coogan (Chair, Late)	Absent Members	
Guest Participants	Scott Ford Jodi Cole	Guest Observers	

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Vote counts recorded as "[# in favor]-[# opposed]-[# abstained]" followed by result of "PASS" or "FAIL"

Discussion Topics

No.	Topic	Summary
1.	Call to Order	Vice Chair Christy Ford called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM, 4/15/25
2.	Roll Call	Chair Mike Coogan is absent, will be joining late. Vice Chair Christy Ford is present. Treasurer Aaron Ramos is present. Secretary Michael Winters is present. Director At-Large Billy Pierce is present.
3.	Public Comment	Scott Ford makes a public comment Thank you for participating in the public forum and blockwalking, more

		<p>people are asking for signs, yesterday we attended an event with lulak and NAACP and we have a lot of support among the democrats, the person running for them in this race is leaving a bad taste in their mouth, the Harris County GOP is being driven by two individuals who have endorsed not the best candidates, Tea Party has also not endorsed best candidates, alot of precinct chairs are telling people to vote for Scott, several of the candidates are telling people to vote for Scott.</p> <p>Kingwood/Humble is heavily republican and we are getting along with the people well. There is something coming up in LPHarris about picking a fight with the current President similar to another county but its my opinion that it only has negative connotations for us because of the area. The other candidates have nothing that has stuck on me but we dont want to turn the community against us. We have created a cordial community and no one is being mean towards the other candidates (apart from one person), and I see no upside in picking a fight that feels good but has no real upside just downsides for Harris County. It will be guaranteed to take a lot of votes away just because of my open affiliation. I suggest as a candidate that we avoid anything spicy until after the election to benefit my candidacy.</p> <p>Jodi Cole comments Hi.</p> <p>Closed at 6:50</p>
4.	Agenda	<p>Christy Ford motions to adopt the proposed agenda at 6:50 PM</p> <p>No objections.</p> <p>Motion is Passed 4-0; the agenda is adopted at 6:05 PM.</p>
5.	Treasury Report	<p>Treasurer Aaron Ramos takes the floor at 6:51, he reports:</p> <p>Opening Balance as of 12/18/24: \$3,678</p> <p>NationBuilder went from \$69 to \$139 due to increased amount of entries into the database. Usage went to 32370 'units'. Aaron and Michael will get together this week to research what happened here, what 'units' is referring to, and if the price can return back down to \$69.</p> <p>Monthly Expenses: \$171</p> <p>Closing Balance as of 2/26/24: \$3,743</p> <p>Treasury report ends at 7:04PM</p>
6.	Extend Pride VTD	<p>Vice Chair Christy Ford takes the floor at 7:04PM, she makes a motion:</p> <p>Motion: The CEC authorizes LPHarris to set up a six month Voluntary Targeted Donation Fund for 2025 Houston Pride365 expenses such as decorations, outreach materials, and fund a booth at Katy Pride.</p>

		<p>Billy Pierce would like to Second the motion, but before we speak to it we should check the bylaws.</p> <p>It is determined that we will need to make a list of all the donations that were received, and if those extra funds still exist, they will move to the general fund.</p> <p>Billy Pierce motions to make an amendment "The CEC authorizes LPHarris to set up a VTD pursuant to bylaws beginning 4/15/2025 ending in 6 months to raise funds for Pride events in and around Harris County."</p> <p>No Objections are made.</p> <p>Motion Passes to create a new VTD, discussion ends at 7:19 PM.</p>
7.	Discussion about Scott Ford updates, Blockwalking	<p>Billy Pierce takes the floor at 7:20</p> <p>"We have received plenty of positive media and established a record/pattern in the media related to candidates and governance that legitimizes our involvement as a political party, and I am very happy about the work. The Libertarian Party is unique because it is the only part of the liberty movement that can run candidates, and I take that very seriously. People who donate to the party want to see us run candidates, as we are the only part of the apparatus that does this. Scott is not hiding the fact he is a Libertarian, and we have a very strong responsibility to back our candidate even in a non-partisan race. Ultimately, we want to get candidates elected to office, and we need to work along with and be mindful about the battles we pick to get the most return is an important part of being considered a real party. "</p> <p>We should send out the email from LPHarris supporting Scott, we need to determine if it should be from Nation Builder or from a Microsoft email account.</p> <p>We should continue to support Scott as much as we can, we need to get information from him which involves substantiative statements that we can give to the media.</p> <p>Early voting starts on the 22-29, election day on May 3.</p> <p>More blockwalking this Saturday.</p> <p>Queso and Questions had very high candidate involvement, but community involvement was very low due to event fatigue.</p>
8.	Discussion about duplicating	<p>Mike Coogan takes the floor at 7:30</p>

	<p>Travis County resolution regarding President Trump</p>	<p>Mike Coogan motions to duplicate the resolution regarding President Trump that was published by Travis County.</p> <p>Billy Pierce seconds the motion</p> <p>Aaron makes a motion to table this until next month, he says the motion is sound and these are good reasons, but we have an issue stated by our candidate that it may affect his election.</p> <p>Mike Coogan speaks against it saying it is not a left/right motion and that LPTravis has already passed it and LPTexas is looking to pass it. The principle of opposing gross human rights abuses outweighs anything with the candidates. He notes he would prefer to do it before Texas and that he had this discussion with Andrew today.</p> <p>Chair Christy Ford calls the question at 7:36</p> <p>Aaron Ramos' motion to table passes 3-1-1, resolution will be tabled until next month.</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Michael Winters motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:38PM</p> <p>Christy Ford seconds the motion, no objections are made, motion is PASSED 4-0</p> <p>Vice Chair Christy Ford adjourns the meeting at 7:39PM</p>

Michael P Coogan

Mike Coogan, Chair LPHarris



Michael Winters, Secretary LPHarris