# Libertarian Party of Nevada Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

3:00 PM on Sunday, November 13, 2022 Meeting held remotely.

#### 1. Call to Order:

Chair Charles Melchin called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM. A quorum of the Executive Committee was present.

## 2. Roll Call:

Executive Committee Members Present: Charles Melchin (Chair)

Jeffery Hurley (Vice-Chair) Travis McGlothin (Treasurer) Katie Banuelos (Secretary)

Adam Haman (S. Regional Rep.)

Sam Toll (At Large Rep.)

Executive Committee Members Absent: Chris Orton (N. Regional Rep.)

Party Members & Public Present: Brad Carpenter

Brenda Barozzi Brandon Davis

3. Public Comment: No comments.

## 4. Approval of Minutes:

## a. Executive Committee Minutes (10/02/2022):

Charles Melchin called for any objections to approval of the minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as written.

## 5. Reports:

## a. Officer Reports:

- i. Chair's Report: Charles Melchin reported that the Clark County affiliate had hosted an election night results viewing party for candidates.
- ii. Vice-Chair's Report: Jeff Hurley stated that the party needed to recruit volunteers to fill vacancies in committees and to actively seek out coalitions and parallel communities in order to avoid redundancy in the movement. He would like to refresh the merchandise, increase social media volume and holiday posting, try to get the podcast hosted on other platforms, and to clean up Nationbuilder data to enable phone banking. He will also try to reclaim the LPNevada instagram account.
- **iii. Treasurer's Report:** Travis McGlothin reported a current cash balance of \$12,874, with \$703.73 in donations for October. He noted that candidate Neil Scott had donated \$500 to the party, and that Darby Lee Burns had pledged to donate his remaining campaign funds back to the party.
- iv. Secretary's Report: Katie Banuelos had nothing to report.

## b. Director Reports:

- i. Communications: Brenda Barozzi reported that she was still issuing weekly bulletin emails. She plans to organize a communications strategy meeting and would like to create better communication pathways among the team.
- ii. Tech: Brad Carpenter had nothing to report.
- **iii. Elections:** Brandon Davis reported that ballot access for the next election cycle had been secured by four different candidates. He will provide an overview of the election results under that agenda item.
- **iv. Fundraising and Volunteer Coordinator**: Jeff Hurley explained that he continued to respond to all phone calls and inquiries from potential volunteers.

Sam Toll joined the meeting at 3:19 PM.

v. Legislative: Sam Toll reported that he intended to become a registered lobbyist prior to the legislative session beginning in February. He explained that in the past the legislative committee had produced a legislative update for the community, but that it was a monumental undertaking to produce and that a pared-down version might be preferable. He explained that each member of the body was allowed to present only a handful of BDRs, so it was best to approach different legislators on only their areas of interest. Brandon Davis noted that the deadline for BDR submittal was in about a week, but that the party would be able to view everything that had been proposed.

# c. Affiliate Reports:

i. Clark County: Jeff Hurley reported three "Freedom Unleashed" events as well as a private candidate event since the last meeting.

ii. Douglas County: No report.iii. Washoe County: No report.

**d. Target Metrics Report:** Jeff Hurley reported the following target metrics:

Registered Voters: 16,432 Email Subscriptions: 2,992 Active Participants: 106 Dues Paying Members: 98

Monthly Donations: \$417.76/mo from 21 donors

6. Old Business: None

Sam Toll left the meeting at 3:38 PM.

#### 7. New Business:

a. Discuss results of 2022 General Election: Charles Melchin reported that the party had received over 100,000 votes among all candidates, which represented a 71% increase from last election cycle. He also noted that having four different candidates meet the ballot access threshold was a significant increase. Adam Haman thanked Brandon Davis for his

work as elections director in recruiting and supporting candidates. Katie Banuelos asked how the party could support the elections committee in laying the groundwork for the next elections cycle. Brandon Davis recommended planning registration drives and tabling at events.

- b. Discuss and plan 2023 State Convention: Charles Melchin noted that the state convention would be scheduled to take place after the legislative session cycle ended in June. He noted that the last state convention held in the north of the state had been in 2013, and suggested the party consider holding this one in the north. Brandon Davis advised the party to consider the fundraising potential of the event.
- c. Discuss AG lawsuit: Brandon Davis noted that attorney Nathan Lawrence was not requiring payment for the services provided, but recommended that the party compensate him for his time to the extent possible. Katie Banuelos suggested that a means of making an earmarked online payment be created, with an email donation appeal sent afterwards. Jeff Hurley moved to accept a previously offered \$1,000 donation from Bryan Elliott for this purpose, and match it with party funds, in addition to any donations raised through the email fundraiser. Katie Banuelos seconded the motion. Charles Melchin called for objections and discussion. Travis McGlothin asked what action should be taken if no donation from Bryan Elliott were received. Katie Banuelos moved that the motion be revised to state that the party would donate \$1,000 in addition to any funds received from Bryan Elliott or through the fundraiser, to compensate Nathan Lawrence for his time. Hearing no objections, the motion was revised. Hearing no objections to the revised motion, the motion carried unanimously.
- d. Discuss moving away from Wells Fargo to a new provider: Jeff Hurley moved that discussion of this item be postponed to a future meeting. Travis McGlothin noted that the proposal entailed several logistical challenges, such as the integrations with Paypal and Authorize.net. Katie Banuelos seconded the motion to postpone the item. Hearing no objection, the motion carried.
- e. Discuss social media content moderation: Jeff Hurley explained that he had received a number of requests for content moderation in the Facebook page. Katie Banuelos expressed support for the proposal and recommended empowering a volunteer to manage content moderation. Charles Melchin advised against instituting any overly rigid rules for the group. Brandon Davis recommended that the executive committee consider the Facebook group to be a tool for engagement and a component of the party apparatus.

# 8. Future Meeting Schedule and Calendar Updates:

The executive committee agreed to schedule the next state executive committee meeting on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

#### 9. Adjournment:

Katie Banuelos made a motion to adjourn. Jeff Hurley seconded the motion, and with no objections the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.