

Libertarian Party of Nevada
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
3:00 PM on Sunday, April 16, 2023
Meeting held remotely.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Charles Melchin called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM. A quorum of the Executive Committee was present.

2. Roll Call:

Executive Committee Members Present:	Charles Melchin (Chair) Jeffery Hurley (Vice-Chair) Travis McGlothlin (Treasurer) Katie Banuelos (Secretary) Adam Haman (S. Regional Rep.) Chris Orton (N. Regional Rep.)
Executive Committee Members Absent:	None
Party Members & Public Present:	Brenda Barozzi

3. Public Comment: No comments.

4. Approval of Minutes:

b. Executive Committee Minutes (2/12/2023):

Charles Melchin made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted. Katie Banuelos seconded the motion. With no objections, the minutes were approved.

5. Reports:

b. Officer Reports:

- i. **Chair's Report:** Charles Melchin noted that there were few new developments at the state level since the last meeting.
- ii. **Vice-Chair's Report:** Jeff Hurley reported that he continues to execute his monthly data and web responsibilities.
- iii. **Treasurer's Report:** Travis McGlothlin reported a cash balance of \$14,108.68 after taking into account the expenses from the Clark county convention. March donations were \$813 and expenses totaled of \$228.
- iv. **Secretary's Report:** Katie Banuelos had nothing to report.

c. Director Reports:

- i. **Legislative:** Katie Banuelos provided a written report of the committee's activities (*attached on page 5*).
- ii. **Communications:** Brenda Barozzi reported on progress of the new 'opinion article' newsletter. She plans to initiate a marketing reboot following the state convention.
- iii. **Tech:** Brad Carpenter reported no recent activity.
- iv. **Elections:** *vacant, no report*

- v. **Fundraising and Volunteer Coordinator:** Jeff Hurley reported that he had drafted new descriptions for volunteer roles and that he was planning a phone banking session to reach out to past donors. Travis McGlothin had tested a texting application for the Clark County convention and will explore its potential for the upcoming state convention.

d. Affiliate Reports:

- i. **Clark County:** Jeff Hurley reported that newly elected county Chair Darby Burns would be delivering the future county reports for Clark. He reported that the convention turnout was slightly lower than expected (~30) but the event went smoothly.
- ii. **Douglas County:** No report.
- iii. **Washoe County:** Chris Orton reported that the Washoe County convention had also gone smoothly but with low turnout. Travis McGlothin noted that the attendance appeared proportional given the population distribution through the state.

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

Registered Voters:	+246
Email Subscriptions:	-9 to 2,953
Active Participants:	+1
Dues Paying Members:	-14 to a total of 74
Monthly Donations:	\$567.76/mo from 21 donors

6. Old Business:

- a. **Discuss and plan the 2023 State Convention:** Travis McGlothin reported that the Clark County convention venue had been fully adequate for the event. Katie Banuelos moved to hold the state convention in the same location in Las Vegas. Adam Haman seconded the motion, and all approved. Katie Banuelos moved that June 10th be considered as the first choice date for the event, with July 15th as the second choice date, and the final decision to be made depending on the venue availability. Jeff Hurley seconded the motion. Brenda Barozzi noted that the Stanley Cup would be taking place on June 10th. Charles Melchin called the question. Hearing no objections, the motion carried. Travis McGlothin nominated Jeff Hurley to serve as chair of the convention planning committee. Jeff Hurley accepted the nomination and Katie Banuelos seconded the motion. With no objections, the motion carried. The executive committee discussed potential speakers for the event and plans to award the Human Action Award to a party member.
- b. **Consider filling director vacancies by appointment:** Charles Melchin noted that two vacancies existed, in the legislative committee and the elections committee. The executive committee agreed to table this item for a future meeting.

7. New Business:

- b. **Discuss data cleanup and optimizing NationBuilder:** Jeff Hurley reported he would be working with Brad Carpenter to execute this item. They planned to purge existing data

except for donors and accounts with active email addresses. Charles Melchin suggested creating a tag for the planned import of current SOS data. Katie Banuelos suggested reviewing all tags and filters as part of the process. Charles Melchin suggested the executive committee consider proposing an amendment that would allow for electronic notice of the convention. The committee agreed to add a discussion of this idea to the next meeting agenda.

- c. **Consider filling executive committee vacancies by appointment:** Charles Melchin reported that Sam Toll had resigned from his position as At-Large Representative. Jeff Hurley suggested Randy Sadac as a potential replacement. Adam Haman moved to appoint Randy Sadac to the position on a pro-tem basis contingent on his acceptance of the appointment. Travis McGlothin seconded the motion. With no objections, the motion carried.

8. Future Meeting Schedule and Calendar Updates:

Katie Banuelos moved to change the previously approved convention dates to 6/17 (first choice), 6/10 (second choice), or 7/15 (third choice) depending on the availability of the venue. Jeff Hurley seconded the motion. With none opposed, the motion carried. The executive committee agreed to schedule the next state executive committee meeting on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at 3:00 PM.

9. Adjournment:

Charles Melchin made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 PM.

Legislative Committee Report to LP Nevada Executive Committee
Sunday, April 16, 2023

On April 14th, the deadline for Committee Passage (First House) passed. This means that the field has narrowed for potential bills and everything that did not move through committee in either the Senate or Assembly is now dead (currently appears to be 91 dead, but this may not be accurate until a few business days following the deadline)

Unfortunately, many good bills have died, most without any hearing being held. Many terrible bills passed through committee and will head to the floor. As the Democrats hold a majority of both houses and all committees, they will be able to pass any bill on a party-line vote if it comes down to it. This means that the final backstop for the worst bills is to seek a governor's veto, but some believe that it is unlikely that he will exercise that authority unless it is truly a party-line issue where all Republicans have voted against the bill in question.

Thus far, the Legislative Committee has:

- Met on three occasions - 2/25, 3/4, 3/19
- Submitted written testimony on 11 bills
- Provided verbal testimony in committee on five bills
- Sent out 11 "calls to action" for various bills
- Created a partnership with Health Freedom Nevada to amplify their legislative alerts

Next steps for the Committee:

- Schedule a new meeting
- Assess surviving bills and prioritize them
- Assign volunteers to track various bills
- Seek volunteers to lobby in support or in opposition to the highest priority bills.