

Libertarian Party of North Carolina

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

4 September 2025

In Attendance:

Ryan Brown, Chair
Bob Drach, Vice Chair
Kate Shawhan, Secretary
Bryce Acer, At large
Mac Browder, At large
Angela Humphries, At large

LPNC Guest members:

Absent:

Nick Taylor, At large
Barbara Howe, Treasurer

Call to Order:

Ryan Brown called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Chair Report:

No candidates have reached out for help so far. Ryan is working on compiling information and updating the website and expects to have that completed soon. State fair is right around the corner, Brad has offered to take point on the fair. The fair is October 16th through October 26th. Volunteers have a free ticket.

Electronic Voting:

- On August 18th 2025, Kate Shawhan moved to adopt the minutes from the August 7th meeting. The motion passed 6-0 with one abstention.

Treasury Report:

- None at this time

Officer, Director and Committee Reports:

- No other officer, director, or committee reports were given.

Old Business:

- Village Inn in Clemmons is able to accommodate our convention the weekend of February 19th. Bryce pointed out that county conventions with 30 day rules need to be done before that. The same price has been quoted as the previous two years. Ryan recommends that we choose this date and venue for convention. Bryce asked about available dates, Ryan explained that one was January 29-February 1, February 19th, and April 2-5 - Easter weekend. The middle date was preferred because it is before the cutoff date at the end of April, and it gives us more time than the first weekend available. It is affordable and no one else has volunteered other locations. Bob asked about online participation. Ryan is opposed but open to be persuaded.

- Mac Browder moved to hold the LPNC state convention at the Village Inn in Clemmens NC the weekend of February through 22nd, Bryce Acer seconded. The motion passed with no objection, 6-0.

- Stephen Sumner, Phil Jacobson, Mac Browder, and Ryan Brown have asked to be on the platform committee.

- If we can get platform input from local affiliates, that might drive interest for local conventions. Report needs to be finalized and sent out to membership 30 Days before convention.

- Mac moved to appoint Stephen Sumner, Phil Jacobson, Mac Browder, and Ryan Brown to the platform committee, the motion was seconded. Passed with no objection, 6-0.

- Brad Hessel in Wake LP has sent out a signup for state fair, we have 2024 pamphlets and gun control pamphlets, Ryan is anticipating getting more buttons. Chamber flags are popular, we can promote candidates but those tend to be very local. We could promote checking local elections for things like a bond that will raise taxes. Bob Drach says we need to sign up more libertarian voters; he suggests including a QR code to the DMV website that can be easily scanned. There might be more room to sign up voters because some third parties were dissolved this year.

Angela brought up the question of how to engage people; Bob suggested t-shirts for volunteers and welcomed suggestions for other things that can promote group cohesion.

- Bryce made a note about Fire Fest; there will be a gun range day on Sunday.

Bob Drach adjourned the meeting at 7:39.