**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**5/9/2023 7:30 PM**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION**

State Chair: William Redpath Director: Amanda Parsons

Vice Chair: Matt Piron Deputy Director: Nathan Florey

Secretary: Ken Mattes Broadcasting Director: Stacy Apel

Treasurer: Russ Clark Social media Director: Alex O’Dell

Executive Director: Justin Tucker Deputy social media Director: Vacant

**IT DIVISON FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION**

Director: Bob Blair Smith Director: Blake Hanson

Deputy Director: Carter Mitchell Deputy: Lorraine DeNardis-Albert

Website: Vacant Chapter Development: Paul DiMasi

Operations: Kelly Liebmann Activism: Vacant

CRM Training: Derek Evans Events: Vacant

 Membership: Kevin Mahoney

**POLITICAL DIVISION** Campus Outreach: Vacant

Director: Jake LeonardVolunteer: Vacant

1st Deputy Director: Jim Humay

Legislative: Vacant **AD-HOC and NATIONAL**

Campaigns: Jon King LP National Rep: Mark Tuniewicz

Candidate Recruitment: Vacant Convention Committee: Justin Tucker

Deputy Recruitment: Vacant

Ballot Access: William Redpath

Precincts: Vacant

**STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

1st District: Jason Decker 10th District: Alexa Maffei

2nd District: vacant 11th District: Jon Harlson

3rd District: Danny Lewis 8:45- 12th District: NOTA

4th District: vacant 13th District: vacant

5th District: Kevin Kauzlaric 14th District: vacant

6th District: Bob Blair-Smith 15th District: John Phillips Jr.

7th District: Jim Humay 16th District: Bennett Morris

8th District: Julie Fox 17th District: Donny Henry

9th District: Adam Balling

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS:**

**Ronwell Nagales, Stuart Straub, Matt Cunningham, Brett Ryan, Christine Hare.**

**AGENDA**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER 7:34 PM**

**PUBLIC COMMENT: Paul DiMasi, LPIL Picnic August 20**

* **MOTION (Hanson) amend agenda to include survey passed w/o.**

**Donny Henry, deploying overseas until November.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA passed w/o.**

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES as corrected (RCV SB 1456) passed w/o.**

**OFFICER BRIEFS:**

**CHAIR: Thanks to the board for rescheduling this meeting. Apologies for missing the SCC meeting on 4/23. Petitioning in Arkansas. Bill is stepping in to fill Richard Winger’s editor role at Ballot Access News. 2022 general election was 26 weeks ago; ballot access and RCV lobbying continue. Chair email issue.**

**VICE CHAIR: Thank you to the survey team and the convention committee.**

**SECRETARY: Thank you to Bill Redpath for the ballot access efforts, Blake Hanson for the meeting chat, Lorraine DeNardis-Albert for the tabling kits, Justin Tucker for setting up the P.O. box, Kelly Liebmann for correcting my mistake. Looking forward to working with IT on document management.**

**TREASURER:**

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**In light of having a full board and poor recordkeeping by the George Santos Committee, the FEC announced they would be resuming audits on campaign finance laws for campaigns and committees. On May 4, the FEC announced a new audit protocol for smaller political parties that will be used to audit them rather than full blown compliance audits that large political committees will be expected to comply with. No audits are expected at this time but we need to be ready for one should we receive a notice.**

**As noted above, the cash on hand is a bit higher than it actually is as we had two transactions that occurred in April but did not clear the account until May.**

**DeKalb County LP has disbanded and transferred $403 to LPIL.**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Thank you to members and donors. P.O. box update. Call for PCs. Met with Rep. Ford on ballot access.**

**DIRECTOR BRIEFS:**

**Communications Division Report: N/A**

**Field Operations Division Report: (Hanson) Volunteer, activism, events, and outreach are affected by the convention speaker choice.**

**IT Division Report: (Blair-Smith) Written reports are pending. Document management options are being researched, open meeting later this month. (Hanson) asked about uploading older documents. (Redpath) asked about IT’s opinion of CiviCRM. (Hanson) recommended downloading the database.**

**POINT OF ORDER (Henry) regarding order and decorum.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Ryan) regarding data security and policy.**

**Convention Report: (Tucker) Elmhurst Venue is under contract and first payment has been made. Maj Toure’s speaker fee is over $1000 and may require SCC approval. (Clark) opined that the bylaws are unclear. (Phillips) reported that the BoD has oversight authority over the committee.**

**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEDGE (Henry) reported that past committees have enjoyed autonomy.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Hanson) asked about approving expense overages in the committee.**

**(Redpath) asked about the status of the contract, which is not signed, and no payment has been made.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Henry) the convention budget is not final yet. If the budget is exceeded the board could vote on the extra spending at that point.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Redpath) who are the committee members? (Blair-Smith, Clark, Henry, Humay, Lewis, Liebmann, Mattes, Nagales, Piron, Mulso, Tucker, Hanson)**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Mattes) on SCC vote required for Venue payment due.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Phillips) who is committee chair? (Mulso and Tucker are co-chairs)**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Phillips) has a disinvitation been discussed? (Yes)**

**Political Division Report: N/A**

**LP National Report: (Redpath) attended LNC meeting as region 6 alternate; CRM was a central topic. National fundraising and revenue are down. Next LNC meeting is June 4. In person meeting in DC in August.**

**OLD BUSINESS: N/A**

**NEW BUSINESS: (Maffei) provided an update on the status of the membership survey. A second survey that is policy-related has been crafted.**

* **MOTION (Maffei) to approve the second survey seconded and objected (Hanson). Objection withdrawn; motion PASSED w/o.**
* **MOTION (Lewis) to amend the agenda to discuss Maj Toure seconded.**

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|  | AYE | NO | ABSTAIN | NO VOTE |
| Apel, Stacy |  |  |   | X |
| Balling, Adam | **X** |  |   |   |
| Blair-Smith, Bob |  | **X** |   |   |
| Clark, Russ |  | **X** |   |   |
| Decker, Jason |  |  |   | X |
| DeNardis-Albert, Lorraine | **X** |  |   |   |
| DiMasi, Paul |  |  | X |   |
| Evans, Derek |  |  |   | X |
| Florey, Nathan | **X** |  |   |   |
| Fox, Julie | **X** |  |   |   |
| Hanson, Blake |  | **X** |   |   |
| Harlson, Jon |  |  |   | X |
| Henry, Donny |  | **X** |   |   |
| Humay, Jim |  | **X** |   |   |
| Kauzlaric, Kevin |  |  |   | X |
| King, Jon |  |  |   | X |
| Leonard, Jake |  |  |   | X |
| Lewis, Danny | **X** |  |   |   |
| Liebmann, Kelly | **X** |  |   |   |
| Maffei, Alexa | **X** |  |   |   |
| Mahoney, Kevin |  |  |   | X |
| Mattes, Ken | **X** |  |   |   |
| Mitchell, Carter | **X** |  |   |   |
| Morris, Bennett |  |  |   | X |
| O’Dell, Alex |  |  |   | X |
| Parsons, Amanda |  |  |   | X |
| Phillips Jr., John | **X** |  |   |   |
| Piron, Matt |  | **X** |   |   |
| Tucker, Justin | **X** |  |   |   |
| Redpath, William | **X** |  |   |   |
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**MOTION PASSES**

**(Lewis) read Maj Toure’s controversial comments to the board.**

* **MOTION (Lewis) to disinvite Maj Toure seconded.**

**POINT OF INFORMATION (Henry) asked if an invitation has officially been made.**

**(Humay) stated that we are penciled in but not legally bound.**

**(Henry) spoke against motion.**

**POINT OF INQUIRY (Mitchell) on the context of the comment.**

**(Phillips) spoke for the motion.**

**(Clark) spoke against the motion.**

**POINT OF INQUIRY (Maffei) on the nuances of social media regarding context.**

**(DeNardis-Albert) spoke for the motion.**

**(Piron) spoke against the motion.**

* **MOTION (Balling) to postpone seconded and withdrawn.**

**(Redpath) handed gavel to vice chair Piron, spoke for the motion, and reclaimed gavel.**

**(Fox) spoke against the motion.**

* **MOTION (Henry) to call the question seconded. MOTION to disinvite PASSED by voice vote.**

**Next Meeting Date: June 20 7:30 PM**

* **MOTION (Redpath) to adjourn the meeting, seconded and passed by voice vote at 9:23 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted by Ken Mattes.**

**Survey questions:**

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**Dialpad Chat:**

Activity

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson6:38 PM

Just going AFK

Just joining now so I don't forget by the time the BOD meeting starts.

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson7:05 PM

hypothetically, if it were to go over budget, we would need a special session of the budget committee to approve additional funding per the bylaws, correct?

JP

John Phillips7:31 PM

can someone say something so i can check my audio

thanks. brb when i fix it

AM

Alexa Maffei7:34 PM

I sent out a policy survey to discuss for new business, but I am unsure if the email has gone through yet.

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson7:36 PM

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He's in OCPs

Person AvatarLD

Lorraine DeNardis-Albert7:38 PM

Good luck Donny!

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson7:38 PM

Godspeed

Facebook Group for members:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1683412898415352

Discord (less censored social media, younger people, etc) group:

https://discord.gg/ahF8e8RtnT

JF

Julie Fox7:41 PM

What is the name of the FB event for the northern IL LP picnic 8/20? I did not find it when I searched.

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson7:44 PM

Agreed

Be sure to understand the two main types of Ranked Choice Voting (RCV): Instant-Runoff Voting (RCV) and Single-Transferable Vote (STV)

PD

Paul DiMasi7:50 PM

Facebook event is:

Chicagoland Libertarian Picnic & Kickball

JF

Julie Fox7:52 PM

Thanks Paul!

AM

Alexa Maffei7:56 PM

for anyone who would like to learn more about George Santos (and have a good laugh) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQLExNOaNy0

AM

Alexa Maffei8:08 PM

This PO Box anecdote is a perfect opportunity to highlight government incompetence.

RC

Russ Clark8:09 PM

Alexa, I'm certain it's machine politics. The Champaign and Urbana Post Offices have lots of (D) activists.

@justin - Let me know if they don't back you.

AM

Alexa Maffei8:10 PM

I don't doubt that, either.

JT

Justin Tucker8:10 PM

PO BOX SIZE

Size 1-XS

3" x 5.5"

DH

Donny Henry8:12 PM

OK lets take this to the Convention Committee

JP

John Phillips8:13 PM

My understanding from Mr Lewis is the convention committee is aware just fyi.

RC

Russ Clark8:24 PM

There are also NDA's that cover access for the system

PD

Paul DiMasi8:29 PM

I don’t think we should be micromanaging the convention committee here.

RC

Russ Clark8:32 PM

Budgeted amount for FY 2023 is 18,000

Contract for convention center is 13136

Budget allocation remaining 4,864

CM

Carter MItchell8:42 PM

What exactly is the objection to Maj?

DH

Donny Henry8:47 PM

Blake and Ken stay on after and I will explain. I don't care who we invite but I want to clarify what the process has been for Convention expenditures.

AM

Alexa Maffei8:47 PM

I believe he said something to the extent of him wanting to physically harm drag queens reading to children. His account was then suspended for advocating for violence, if my understanding is correct.

KM

Ken Mattes8:48 PM

Will do

DH

Donny Henry8:48 PM

Of course if you want to stay on. No force!!! : )

RD

Radical Dan Lewis LPWC IC Champ8:48 PM

To my knowledge the convention committee won't disinvite Maj. I don't want to be a part of this state party if Maj is speaking at our convention

JP

John Phillips8:49 PM

Yes alexa i have a screenshot of such

RD

Radical Dan Lewis LPWC IC Champ8:49 PM

This board has a duty to stand up for the best interests of our state party.

What Maj said violates our own state parties pledge

Person AvatarBH

Blake Hanson8:50 PM

NEW BUSINESS 2023-05 SURVEY: Alexa Maffei:

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JP

John Phillips8:52 PM

PD

Paul DiMasi8:54 PM

Re: survey

AM

Alexa Maffei8:54 PM

Adam, Justin, and Ken contributed to the survey as well.

PD

Paul DiMasi8:59 PM

I have a subscription good for a month. That subscription renews on May 26. I will get the survey link to Justin by Friday 5/12. I recommend sending it out Monday 5/15, a follow up email on 5/22 or 5/23, and then closing out both surveys on 5/25. I can export all the data by 5/26 before the subscription renews.

If, for some reason, this all doesn’t happen in time, I’d ask for reimbursement on the $100 renewal.

AM

Alexa Maffei9:08 PM

Can I pose a question that is neither for or against the motion?

DH

Donny Henry9:09 PM

Alexa - Point of Inquiry would be the statement

RD

Radical Dan Lewis LPWC IC Champ9:09 PM

The state party has a duty to act in its best interest when the CPC is in the wrong

DH

Donny Henry9:11 PM

The convention committee has not obligated us. Allow them to act. Then take action here if you disagree with the outcome

CM

Carter MItchell9:11 PM

Agree with Mr. Henry

JP

John Phillips9:11 PM

Those are good points russ. Tho given the gentlemans history of these type of comments a little less so, but still good points.

BR

Brett Ryan9:12 PM

Are we back to words are NAP violations? Has Maj actually harmed any pedofiles/drag queens?

AM

Alexa Maffei9:14 PM

Can we have some examples of antisemitic and hateful statements that Maj Toure has made?

Person AvatarRN

Ronwell Nagales9:23 PM

Good night everyone.