**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**8/20/2024 7:30 PM**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION**

State Chair: William Redpath ABSENT Director: Vacant

Vice Chair: Matt Piron ABSENT Deputy Director: Vacant

Secretary: Ken Mattes Social Media: Ray Walden IV

Treasurer: Russ Clark @ 19:55 Newsletter: Vacant

Executive Director: Justin Tucker Public Relations: Vacant

Broadcasting: Vacant

**POLITICAL DIVISION**

Director: Jake Leonard **FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION**

Deputy Director Cook/DuPage: Jim Humay Director: Blake Hanson

Candidate Recruitment: Vacant Deputy Director: Lorraine DeNardis-Albert A

Campaigns: Jon King ABSENT Campus Outreach: Vacant

Legislative: Cody Graves Volunteer: Lorraine DeNardis-Albert ABSEN

Ballot Access: William Redpath ABSENT Membership: Vacant

Precincts: Vacant Activism: Vacant

Chapter Development: Paul DiMasi

**IT DIVISON**  Deputy Chapter Development: Vacant

Director: Bob Blair-Smith

Deputy Director: Vacant Convention Committee: Ken Mattes Operations: Kelly Liebmann

CRM Training: Gabe Carrier

Website: Jarrod Weishaar

**STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

1st District: Matt Cunningham ABSENT 10th District: Alexa Maffei

2nd District: Vacant 11th District: Jon Harlson ABSENT

3rd District: Danny Lewis 12th District: Vacant

4th District: Ray Walden IV 13th District: Vacant

5th District: Vacant 14th District: Chase Renwick ABSENT

6th District: Bob Blair-Smith 15th District: Jake Leonard

7th District: Jim Humay 16th District: Vacant

8th District: Julie Fox ABSENT 17th District: Dan Groeling ABSENT

9th District: Adam Balling

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS: Tommy Creuzer, Kathleen McManamon, Geri Mulso, Dan Robin, Stuart Straub.**

**AGENDA**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER at 7:40 PM**

**PRO-TEM CHAIR ELECTION**

**MOTION (Walden) to elect Ken Mattes as Chair pro-tempore for this meeting SECONDED and PASSED W/O.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Lewis, Balling, Walden IV).**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION TO AMEND (Tucker) WITHDRAWN.**

**MOTION (1) to approve agenda (Walden IV) SECONDED and PASSED W/O.**

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION (2) to approve May, June, and July Minutes (Lewis) SECONDED and PASSED W/O.**

**OFFICER BRIEFS**

**Chair: N/A**

**Vice Chair: N/A**

**Secretary: Attended Feena Bonoan pool party in Florida and met Joe Hannoush, served as body man for Thomas Quiter, highlighted vacancies, write-in campaign, keeping an eye on 2026. Discussion on ballot access legal proceedings (Blair-Smith) (Leonard) (Mattes) (Clark).**

**Treasurer: Written report pending, $555 $(283) = $32,114 cash on hand, video commercial idea for social media, no response from insurance agent, Jake Leonard offered a recommendation for another insurance agent.**

**Executive Director: Write-in affidavit filing in progress (filing list below), call for volunteers to drop off affidavits and thanks to current volunteers, totals pending, call for recurring donors, attended Center for New Liberalism watch party and spoke with Alderman Joe Moore. Discussion on Quad Cities filings (Lewis, Tucker, Balling, Blair-Smith II, Mattes, Graves).**

**DIRECTOR BRIEFS**

**Communications Division Report: Ray Walden IV reported progress on social media and called for content, especially from candidates.**

**Field Operations Division Report: Blake Hanson reported discussions on election night watch party. Discussion on location relating to Cook County candidates (Balling, Hanson, Humay).**

**IT Division Report: Written report below**

**Political Division Report: Petitioning for 2025 consolidated elections starts today, candidates include Jake Leonard and Jon King (Leonard), call for email from Justin Tucker.**

**SCC/CHAPTER REPORTS: *Please submit any chapter reports to*** [***Secretary@LPIllinois.org***](mailto:Secretary@LPIllinois.org)

**LNC REGIONAL/NATIONAL REPORTS: LNC Meeting this weekend in Miami**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* **Approval of past minutes (above)**
* **Discuss status of insurance coverage the state party carried previously (Liebmann)**

**Discussed during the Treasurer’s Report (above)**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MOTION (3) Against the Kennedy Victory Fund (Lewis):**

WHEREAS the purpose of the Libertarian Party of Illinois is defined in ARTICLE I of the bylaws as the following: "B. The mission of the Party shall be to elect Libertarians to office and move public policy in a Libertarian direction."

WHEREAS the delegates present at the Libertarian National Convention on 26 May 2024 elected Chase Oliver and Mike ter Maat as the Libertarian nominees for President and Vice President respectively.

WHEREAS in contravention of the delegates and members of the National Libertarian Party, the National Libertarian Party Executive Committee voted on 11 July 2024 to enter into an agreement with a rival candidate for the purposes of fundraising (now known as the Kennedy Victory Fund).

WHEREAS in the state of Illinois, Robert F Kennedy Jr is already a chosen opposition candidate as an Independent.

WHEREAS the agreement itself can be reasonably perceived as violating multiple National Libertarian Party bylaws, including but not limited to:

a. Article 2, Sections 1, 2, 4, 5

b. Article 5, Section 4

c. Article 14, Sections 1, 4

WHEREAS the Libertarian Party of Illinois opposes any action that is in contradiction to the National Libertarian Party bylaws and to the rightfully elected Libertarian Party nominees for President and Vice President, Chase Oliver and Mike ter Maat.

WHEREAS the Campaign for Chase Oliver and Mike ter Maat have publicly stated that they do not support the Kennedy Victory Fund, and consider it support of an opponent in an ongoing race.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Libertarian Party of Illinois calls on the Libertarian National Committee to void any and all fundraising agreements or otherwise with any presidential candidate other than the Libertarian Party nominee selected by delegates at the 2024 Libertarian National Convention.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Libertarian Party of Illinois calls for the censure of the following National Libertarian Party Executive Committee members for knowingly and willfully violating the will of the delegates of the 2024 Libertarian National Convention:

a. Angela McArdle

b. Pat Ford

c. Andrew Watkins

d. Kathy Yeniscavich

**MOTION (3) SECONDED.**

**Discussion on regional representation.**

**MOVE TO CALL THE QUESTION (Tucker) SECONDED.**



**MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION PASSED.**

**MOTION (3) PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**MOTION (4) to set next meeting date for 9/17 (Mattes) SECONDED and PASSED W/O.**

**Adjourn:**

**MOTION (5) to adjourn (Lewis) SECONDED and PASSED W/O. 9:01 PM**

**Respectfully submitted by Secretary Ken Mattes**

**IT Division Report**

**July - August 2024**

**Previous projects / activities-**

**Training / Train the Trainer**

* No new training requests or events since previous (June) Report

**July August requests/ Activities:**

* Minor updates to web pages on LPIllinois.org

**Expenses:**

Amazon Web Services

June $81.14

**IT Requests**

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**New Projects:**

1. **Document Management migration**:

As mentioned in the last report, Amazon WorkDocs is ending support for that platform, and it is expensive for the LP of Illinois to continue using. The IT Division is evaluating new Document storage solutions and seeks input from members on affordable and secure platforms.

1. **IL Voter Database** import/export for Demographic data refresh
2. **CRM Evolution call** with Andy Burns (AB Consulting) **March 25th**. Delegates including Division Director will consult with Andy and state affiliates on cost /logistics to move to new platform
3. **Data Analytics –** the IT Division is recommending this be included as duties within the iT Division with flexibility (as per our bylaws to create a Director role of Database Director.

