



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes September 9, 2025

Zoom meeting

Call to Order

Chair Loren Dean called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call

A quorum of the Libertarian Party of California (“LPCA”) Executive Committee was present, with the following voting members in attendance:

Officers:

Loren Dean, Chair
Pat Wright, Vice Chair
Rebecca Lau, Secretary
Chris Minoletti, Treasurer

Area Coordinators:

Joe Dehn, Northern Area Coordinator
Marybeth Yuskavage, Central Area Coordinator
Brandon Jackson, Southern Area Coordinator

At Large Members:

Terry Floyd
June Genis
Mark Hinkle
Brian Holtz
Lawrence Samuels
Dave Schrader
Richard Stafford
Tara Young

Francisco Alanis (alternate)
Paul Vallandigham (alternate)

The following guests were in attendance:

Gary Bryant
Mike Forbes
Jesse
Teri Kahn
Janice Mackenzie
Wesley Martin
Brendan McMillion
Derrick Michael Reid
Mimi Robson
Boomer Shannon
Mike Van Roy
John David Ward
Tom Woodward

Adoption of Agenda

Chair Loren Dean distributed the following agenda:

**LPCA Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, September 9, 2025, 6:30 PM**

Executive Committee (ExCom) Members

Mr. Loren Dean, Chair
Mr. Pat Wright, Vice Chair
Ms. Rebecca Lau, Secretary
Mr. Chris Minoletti, Treasurer
Mr. Joe Dehn, Northern Area Coordinator
Dr. Marybeth Yuskavage, Central Area Coordinator
Mr. Brandon Jackson, Southern Area Coordinator
Mr. Terry Floyd, At Large
Ms. June Genis, At Large
Mr. Mark Hinkle, At Large
Mr. Brian Holtz, At Large
Mr. Lawrence Samuels, At Large
Mr. Dave Schrader, At Large
Mr. Richard Stafford, At Large

Ms. Tara Young, At Large
Mr. Francisco Alanis, 1st At Large Alternate
Mr. Paul Vallandigham, 2nd At Large Alternate

Google Email Private Group
excom@ca.lp.org

Call to Order—6:30 PM

Roll Call (2 Minutes)

Stand Up Reports (2 minutes each)

Adoption of the Agenda (2 Minutes)

Public Comment (10 Minutes, 2 Minutes each)

Approve August Executive Committee Minutes (5 Minutes)

Convention Committee report (5 Minutes)

Committee appointments (30 Minutes)

OPM Change: Candidate Recruitment Committee (5 Minutes)

OPM Change: Meeting scheduling (5 Minutes)

OPM Change: Financial Standards Committee (5 Minutes)

The Lars Mailer re: Gerrymandering (5 Minutes)

NationBuilder: Thought on TJ's Email? Should we hear his pitch? (5 Minutes)

LNC convention decision/ramifications (5 Minutes)

EC reports and when/how they should be produced (5 Minutes)

The EC email list: how should it be structured? (5 Minutes)

Annual EC in-person meeting date/place (November 15 in San Diego?) (5 Minutes)

Regular LPCA EC meeting date/time (Every 2nd Tuesday at 6:30?) (5 Minutes)

Adjourn

Motion: Chris Minoletti moved, with second, to adopt the foregoing agenda. The motion passed without objection.

Public Comment

Mimi Robson, Derrick Michael Reid, and Gary Bryant gave a public comment.

Approval of August 15, 2025 ExCom Meeting Minutes

Motion: June Genis moved, with second, to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2025 Executive Committee meeting. The motion passed without objection.

Convention Committee Report

Mimi Robson delivered the Convention Committee Report, which is attached

hereto as Appendix A, and fielded questions.

Committee Appointments

Motion: Loren Dean moved, with second, to appoint Marybeth Yuskavage and Loren Dean to the Awards Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to appoint Kat McElroy, Mimi Robson, and Mike Van Roy to the Budget Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to appoint Joe Dehn, Mimi Robson, Mike Van Roy, and Starchild, to the Bylaws Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #1

Motion: Loren Dean moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
Communications and Media Committee (CMC)	Communications and Media Committee (CMC)	Communications and Media Committee (CMC)
The Communications and Media Committee shall consist of up to seven members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.	The Communications and Media Committee shall consist of up to seven nine members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.	The Communications and Media Committee shall consist of up to nine members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.

Reason: High volunteer interest.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Committee Appointments Continued

Motion: Dave Schrader moved, with second, to appoint Aaron Bonn, Alan Kaiser,

Wesley Martin, Avens O'Brien, Shawn Osborne, Caitlin Peters, Victor Srivastava, and Pat Wright to the Communications and Media Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #2

Motion: Chris Minoletti moved, with second, to suspend the rules to hear changes to the Operating Procedures Manual. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Joe Dehn moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
	<p>Candidate Recruitment Committee</p> <p>The Candidate Recruitment Committee shall consist of the three Area Coordinators and four members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention. The Candidate Recruitment Committee members shall elect the Committee Chair. The Candidate Recruitment Committee serves at the pleasure of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Responsibilities include:</p> <p>1) Identifying and encouraging Libertarians to run for statewide office, to help publicize</p>	<p>Candidate Recruitment Committee</p> <p>The Candidate Recruitment Committee shall consist of the three Area Coordinators and four members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention. The Candidate Recruitment Committee members shall elect the Committee Chair. The Candidate Recruitment Committee serves at the pleasure of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>Responsibilities include:</p> <p>1) Identifying and encouraging Libertarians to run for statewide office, to help publicize</p>

	<p>the Party and libertarian ideas and to give all Californians the opportunity to "Vote Libertarian".</p> <p>2) Working with the county organizations to identify and encourage Libertarians to run for partisan district offices, to help publicize the Party and libertarian ideas and to give voters in those districts the opportunity to "Vote Libertarian".</p> <p>3) Working with the county organizations to identify and encourage Libertarians to run for winnable local offices.</p> <p>4) Maintaining a list of announced and prospective candidates along with other relevant information and making that available to other committees on a timely basis, specifically including but not limited to the Executive Committee for consideration of making endorsements and the Candidate Support Committee for</p>	<p>the Party and libertarian ideas and to give all Californians the opportunity to "Vote Libertarian".</p> <p>2) Working with the county organizations to identify and encourage Libertarians to run for partisan district offices, to help publicize the Party and libertarian ideas and to give voters in those districts the opportunity to "Vote Libertarian".</p> <p>3) Working with the county organizations to identify and encourage Libertarians to run for winnable local offices.</p> <p>4) Maintaining a list of announced and prospective candidates along with other relevant information and making that available to other committees on a timely basis, specifically including but not limited to the Executive Committee for consideration of making endorsements and the Candidate Support Committee for</p>
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	<p>consideration of providing financial support.</p> <p>5) Develop material to help prospective candidates understand the benefits to the Party of running for office and the procedural requirements for being a candidate.</p>	<p>consideration of providing financial support.</p> <p>5) Develop material to help prospective candidates understand the benefits to the Party of running for office and the procedural requirements for being a candidate.</p>
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Reason: Desire to recruit candidates to public office.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #3

Motion: Chris Minoletti moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
<p>The Financial Standards Committee shall consist of the Vice Chair and however many other members the Vice Chair deems necessary, elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention. The FSC members shall elect the Committee Chair. The FSC serves at the pleasure of the</p>	<p>The Financial Standards Committee shall consist of the Vice Chair and however many other members the Vice Chair deems necessary, elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention. The FSC members shall elect the Committee Chair. The FSC serves at the pleasure of the Executive Committee. The</p>	<p>The Financial Standards Committee (FSC) is a bylaws-mandated committee of the Libertarian Party of California. While the Executive Committee appoints the committee, the FSC serves the membership of LP California and exercises independent financial oversight pursuant to the bylaws.</p>

Executive Committee.
The FSC shall obtain, no later than 30 days after the creation of the Committee, the financial records of the LP California for the prior fiscal year ending December 31.

A written report shall be prepared as to the FSC's findings, to be submitted to the LP California Secretary no later than two days prior to the commencement of the Annual Convention and included in the year-end report. Additional audits shall be performed upon request by the Executive Committee or the Operations Committee. The FSC shall have access to all financial records required to perform the required audits.

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The Financial Standards Committee (FSC) is a bylaws-mandated committee of the Libertarian Party of California. While the Executive Committee appoints the committee, the FSC serves the membership of LP California and exercises

The Executive Committee shall select three central committee members to serve on the FSC within the first sixty (60) days after the Annual Convention. No current officers of LP California may serve on the FSC. The FSC members shall elect the Committee Chair. Within 30 days of its selection, the FSC shall obtain full access to the financial records and processes of LP California, including those under the authority of the current Executive Committee, and shall continue its review on a rolling basis. The FSC shall report its findings at each subsequent Executive Committee session and at the next state convention. A written report for the Annual Convention shall be submitted to the LP California Secretary no later than two days prior to the commencement of the convention and included in the year-end report. Additional financial reviews may be performed upon request by the Executive

	<p>independent financial oversight pursuant to the bylaws.</p> <p>The Executive Committee shall select three central committee members to serve on the FSC within the first sixty (60) days after the Annual Convention. No current officers of LP California may serve on the FSC. The FSC members shall elect the Committee Chair. Within 30 days of its selection, the FSC shall obtain full access to the financial records and processes of LP California, including those under the authority of the current Executive Committee, and shall continue its review on a rolling basis. The FSC shall report its findings at each subsequent Executive Committee session and at the next state convention. A written report for the Annual Convention shall be submitted to the LP California Secretary no later than two days prior to the commencement of the convention and included in the year-end</p>	<p>Committee or the Operations Committee.</p> <p>The FSC shall have access to all financial records and systems reasonably necessary to perform the required financial reviews.</p>
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Reason: • Bylaws Compliance – Updates the rule to match the bylaws’ mandate that the FSC reviews the *current* Executive Committee’s finances and reports to each ExCom session.

- Conflict of Interest Prevention – Prohibits officers from serving, ensuring the committee independently reviews financial actions without bias.
- Defined Structure – Specifies three central committee members are elected by the ExCom within 60 days, creating stability and clarity.
- Current-Year Oversight – Shifts the audit from prior-year records to ongoing, rolling review of the current financial records in compliance with the bylaws.
- Accountability to Members – Clarifies that although appointed by the ExCom, the FSC ultimately serves the membership of LP California.
- Improved Reporting – Requires reporting at each ExCom session and the convention, strengthening transparency and continuous oversight, per the Bylaws.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Committee Appointments Continued

Motion: June Genis moved, with second, to appoint Paul Vallandigham, Mimi Robson, and Mike Van Roy to the Financial Standards Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: June Genis moved, with second, to appoint Joe Dehn, Terry Floyd, June Genis, and Brian Holtz to the Historical Preservation Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: June Genis moved, with second, to appoint Francisco Alanis and Chris Minoletti to the Legislative Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Lawrence Samuels moved, with second, to appoint Mark Hinkle, Dave Schrader, and Paul Vallandigham to the Membership Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to appoint Francisco Alanis, Richard Fast, Marc Joffe, Shawn Osborne, and Marybeth Yuskavage to the Program Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to appoint June Genis, Brandon Jackson Dave Schrader, and Paul Vallindigham to the Recruitment Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #4

Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
Website and Information Technology Committee (WitCom)	Website and Information Technology Committee (WitCom)	Website and Information Technology Committee (WitCom)
The Website and Information Technology Committee shall consist of up to five members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.	The Website and Information Technology Committee shall consist of up to five seven members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.	The Website and Information Technology Committee shall consist of up to seven members elected by the Executive Committee within the first three months after the Annual Convention.

Reason: High volunteer interest.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Committee Appointments Continued

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to appoint Joe Dehn, Brendan McMillion, Mimi Robson, Marcus Schuff, Starchild, and Pat Wright to the Website and IT Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #5

Joe Dehn moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
<p>Regularly Scheduled Meetings</p> <p>The Executive Committee shall meet via electronic means on the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm, beginning in April 2024 and until the 2025 Convention, except for the month in which the Executive Committee has its in-person meeting.</p>	<p>Regularly Scheduled Meetings</p> <p>The Executive Committee shall meet via electronic means on the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm, beginning in April 2024 and until the 2025 Convention, except for the month in which the Executive Committee has its in-person meeting.</p> <p>Meeting Schedule</p> <p>1) The Executive Committee shall hold at least one in-person regular meeting each year, not within six weeks of a convention. Any</p>	<p>Meeting Schedule</p> <p>1) The Executive Committee shall hold at least one in-person regular meeting each year, not within six weeks of a convention. Any in-person regular meeting shall be called and the date and location announced at least one month in advance.</p> <p>2) A first regular meeting of the new Executive Committee shall be scheduled immediately following each state convention, at the location of the convention.</p> <p>3) The Executive Committee shall hold</p>

	<p>in-person regular meeting shall be called and the date and location announced at least one month in advance.</p> <p>2) A first regular meeting of the new Executive Committee shall be scheduled immediately following each state convention, at the location of the convention.</p> <p>3) The Executive Committee shall hold regular meetings by electronic means on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Pacific Time, except in months when there is an in-person meeting or convention.</p> <p>4) Nothing in this section shall preclude holding additional regular meetings (for the conduct of business in general) electronically, or special meetings (limited to a specific topic or topics named when they are called) either in-person or electronically, subject to</p>	<p>regular meetings by electronic means on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Pacific Time, except in months when there is an in-person meeting or convention.</p> <p>4) Nothing in this section shall preclude holding additional regular meetings (for the conduct of business in general) electronically, or special meetings (limited to a specific topic or topics named when they are called) either in-person or electronically, subject to the notice requirements provided in the Bylaws.</p>
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Reason: Establish a new meeting schedule.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Lars Mapstead Mailer

Motion: Joe Dehn moved, with second, to authorize Lars Mapstead to use LPCA data for a mailer, subject to the review by the Operations Committee of the content of the mail. The motion passed without objection.

NationBuilder

The Executive Committee discussed a proposal to switch current systems, including WordPress and Neon, with NationBuilder.

Libertarian National Convention Date Change

The Executive Committee discussed the Libertarian National Committee's vote to hold the 2028 National Convention on President's Day Weekend in February instead of Memorial Day Weekend.

Operating Procedures Manual Change #6

Joe Dehn moved, with second, to adopt the following change to the Operating Procedures Manual:

Current Wording	Change	If Adopted
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<p>Committee and Officer Reports</p> <p>Prior to each Executive Committee meeting, all Committee and Officer reports may be submitted to the Party's Chair and Secretary before the meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To be included in the Agenda2. To be included in the appendices of the Meeting Minutes3. For publication to the Executive Committee <p>Prior to the Party's Annual Convention, all applicable Committee and Officer reports shall be submitted to the Party's Secretary a minimum of 2 weeks before the Convention for publication to the full Executive Committee and the full Central Committee.</p> <p>Oral reports are acceptable in lieu of, or in addition to, written reports (with the exception of the Secretary and Treasurer).</p>	<p>Committee and Officer Reports</p> <p>Prior to each Executive Committee meeting, all Committee and Officer reports may be submitted to the Party's Chair and Secretary before the meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To be included in the Agenda2. To be included in the appendices of the Meeting Minutes3. For publication to the Executive Committee <p>Prior to the Party's Annual Convention, all applicable Committee and Officer reports shall be submitted to the Party's Secretary a minimum of 2 weeks before the Convention for publication to the full Executive Committee and the full Central Committee.</p> <p>Oral reports are acceptable in lieu of, or in addition to, written reports (with the exception of the Secretary and Treasurer).</p>	<p>Reports</p> <p>Officers, area coordinators, standing committees, and the LNC representative shall provide written reports of their activities at least quarterly, for distribution to the Executive Committee and County Chairs. This rule shall not require the creation of additional reports that would consist entirely of material contained in reports already required to be provided on a more frequent basis.</p> <p>Such reports shall be attached to the minutes of the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee, but providing a report does not automatically imply the existence of an agenda item for that meeting. If a report addresses a topic that calls for discussion or a decision by the Executive Committee during a meeting, a separate explicit request for allocation of time on the agenda for that particular topic should be made prior to the meeting</p>
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Reason: Establish a regular schedule for reports.

Vote: The motion passed without objection.

Email List

Motion: Joe Dehn moved, with second, to direct the Website and Information Technology committee to create a public reflector list for LPCA Executive Committee discussions. The motion passed without objection.

In-Person Executive Committee Meeting Location

Motion: Loren Dean moved, with second, to hold the annual in person meeting at the Handlery Hotel in San Diego on November 15, 2025. The motion passed without objection.

Next Executive Committee Virtual Meeting

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held via Zoom on October 14, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

Adjournment

Motion: Mark Hinkle moved, with second, to adjourn. The motion passed without objection.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 8:58 pm.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the October 14, 2025 meeting of the Executive Committee.

APPENDIX A

2025 Convention Committee Report

Report Date: September 8, 2025

Committee Chair: Mimi Robson

Members: Brandon Jackson, Terry Floyd and Raquel Lester

Convention Committee Purpose

- Plan and execute a successful, accessible, and fiscally responsible state convention over Valentine’s Day weekend in San Diego.
- Deliver a compelling program (business & speakers), strong delegate turnout, smooth logistics, and a positive member/vendor experience under the “**Love & Liberty**” theme.

Committee Goals (near-term)

1. **Speakers:** Secure marquee speakers/panelists; lock formats/moderators for the **LNC Chair** and **Governor** debates.
2. **Vendors:** Open and fill vendor tables; finalize floor plan, load-in/out, and policies.
3. **Delegates/Attendance:** Drive early registrations using **Liberty Launch** pricing; broadly distribute the hotel link (newsletter, socials, county lists).
4. **Fundraising:** Launch targeted efforts to cover speaker travel, accommodations, and meals. Set up a fundraising campaign in Neon for this purpose.
5. **Operations:** Confirm A/V and livestream, credentialing, and a working events agenda; maintain a balanced budget with F&B forecasts and room-block pickup tracking.

Executive Overview

- **Formation & Membership.** On Aug 15, 2025, the ExCom selected San Diego and elected me as Convention Committee Chair. I have appointed Brandon Jackson, Terry Floyd, and Raquel Lester to the committee; additional members may be added after reviewing website applications.

- **Contract & Rooms.** The Party Chair signed the hotel contract on Friday, Sept 5, 2025. The guestroom booking link has been provided and is scheduled for inclusion in the Wednesday, Sept 10 newsletter.
- **Negotiated Concessions.** **Parking reduced to \$8/night** for hotel guests (from \$12) and **\$5/day** for non-guests; **bartender fee waived** with **\$500** in bar sales.
- **Program Highlights (in progress).** **LNC Chair Debate** during one of the lunches; **Governor’s Debate** open to all on Saturday before the Gala; **Friday night welcome reception** open to all at no cost (cash bar; no food currently planned).
- **Pricing & Theme.** Theme is **Love & Liberty**. **Liberty Launch (early-bird) pricing: \$300** Full Pass (breakfast & lunch both days + Sat Gala), **\$200** Lunches + Gala, **\$100** Gala-only. Later tiers will be higher.
- **Immediate Needs (Actionable).**
 - **Website:** Post the convention page and ticketing ASAP (tiers, package details, hotel link).
 - **NEON:** **Set up sales tiers in NEON** and grant me access to configure pricing, monitor sales, and run reports.
 - **Member Notice:** Now that we have the necessary details, the State Chair or Secretary should email all current and lapsed members per the bylaws.
 - **Postcards:** Send postcards to current and recently lapsed members to arrive before the 120-day notice date. *120 days prior to 2/13/2026 is Thursday, October 16, 2025*–I can design the postcards and have a vendor that can produce and ship them for a very low cost.

Meeting History

- **Meetings held:** Aug 21, 2025 and Sept 4, 2025 (all members present).
- **Cadence:** Bi-weekly (Thursdays).
- **Next meeting:** Sept 18, 2025.