

October 2017

#### MISSING BOARD REPORTS

#### Resolved into the LPCO Standing Rules (2016-05-09):

"Monthly Board reports are due by the Wednesday before the regularly scheduled board meeting and shall be published to the Party website by the Communications Director by the Friday prior to any regularly scheduled meeting for viewing by membership and Board members..."

- The following Board Reports were not submitted in time to be published on the LPCO website, violating the current standing rule:
  - Campaigns
  - o Regions
  - o Legislative
- The above Board Members will be presenting their report at the next board meeting in full.
- The next Board Meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2017 at the Independence Institute,
   727 E 16th Ave, Denver, CO 80203 from 7pm to 9pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Aitken Website Volunteer Libertarian Party of Colorado



October, 9 2017 Chairs Report

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 1, the duties of the State Chair are as follows: The State Chair shall be the chief executive officer of the Party, holding the powers of administration pertaining to the ordinary business affairs of the Party and such other powers as may be delegated by the Board of Directors. The State Chair may appoint such Party functionaries as a recording and corresponding secretary, an office manager, and an events chair. The State Chair shall compile, maintain and make available to the Board of Directors a publication listing all "Standing rules" and "Special rules" adopted by the Board of Directors. The State Chair shall specify the date and time of the next Convention at least 45 days before it is convened. The State Chair, or his or her designee, including other Board members acting within their designated job duties at the direction of the Chair, shall be the person who shall communicate on behalf of the Party. The State Chair shall file any amendments to the Party's Constitution or Bylaws with the Secretary of State within fifteen days after such amendments are adopted.

- 1) Attended and supported the Arapahoe and Denver County Groups and meetings.
- 2) Attended a Candidates meeting at Todd Mitchum's home
- 3) Fielded 7 "information requests"
- 4) Chaired the LPDC meeting

Respectfully Submitted, Wayne Harlos State Chair, LPCO



Vice Chair Report, May 2017

#### **DUTIES AND POWERS**

#### Art II Sec 2 of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:

"The Vice Chair shall assist the State Chair in the performance of executive duties, act as Chair in the temporary absence of the State Chair, develop and support affiliate parties and district caucuses, ensure affiliate compliance with requirements in the Party Constitution and Bylaws, communicate with Affiliate Representatives on a monthly basis, and facilitate resource sharing and cooperation among the affiliates."

- Duties Charged by the Chair:
  - o 2017 Business Plan
- Develop and Support Affiliate Parties and District Caucuses
  - I am working with our Regions Director to develop and support our local development groups and Affiliates Parties. Please review the Regions Director Report for progress and local updates for Development Groups.
- Ensure Affiliate Compliance with Requirements in the Party Constitution and Bylaws
  - All requirements have been reviewed. A quarterly questionnaire will be sent to each Affiliate Representative by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the last month in the quarter in order to ensure continued compliance, as instructed by the Chair.
  - Unless otherwise noted below, each Affiliate is compliant with the LPCO's Constitution and Bylaws to the knowledge of the Vice Chair.
- Communicate with Affiliate Representatives on a monthly basis
  - See above regarding the Chair's instruction.
- Facilitate resources sharing and cooperation among affiliates
  - Data Dumps Beginning in June 2017, each Affiliate and Development Group should have begun receiving a quarterly "data dump" from the LPCO database to include registered voter data, mailing lists, and prospects, after executing an agreement that any such data will be used for the work of the Affiliate or Development Group in growing the Libertarian Party and not for commercial or other private use. This data is provided without charge. However, voluntary contributions are requested towards the LPCO database charges which are significant.
  - Nationbuilder Any Affiliate Group that wishes to enter into a data-sharing arrangement with the LPCO may host its website and use our database infrastructure, including administrative access at no charge. The website does have to be built using the NationBuilder template tools and will require some knowledge (there are video tutorials available) of these tools, or the template from the state party can be replicated and populated with Affiliate Groups's

- information. As an example, visit the Libertarian Party of Douglas County Affiliate's website (http://www.lpdc.org/)
- Facebook Group All county contacts and Affiliate Representatives should ensure that they are part of the <u>LPCO Affiliates and DGs</u> (link) secret Facebook group. The purpose of the group is to ensure a place where cooperation and communication may occur as well as strategies to maximize local growth. If your local group is not represented in the Facebook Group please let our Regions Director know so that you may be added.
- <u>Facebook County Pages</u> (link) A newsfeed on Facebook including all of the pages for each county in Colorado
- County Contact Directory (link) Updated regularly on Google Docs

#### Art II Sec 13 of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:

- "...Each Officer shall actively participate in a meeting of at least one Party Affiliate or Development Group each calendar year."
  - Since the 2017 Convention, the Vice Chair has attended the following Affiliate Party Meetings
    - May 18, 2017 Boulder County Meeting
    - o May 18, 2017 El Paso County Meeting
    - September 7, 2017 Douglas County Meeting
  - Since the 2017 Convention, the Vice Chair has attended the following Development Group Meetings
    - o April 9, 2017 Clear Creek County Development Group
    - May 17, 2017 Larimer County Development Group
    - o July 12, 2017 Mesa County Development Group

#### LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF COLORADO UPDATES

- The Russians do not need to hack the Libertarian Party of Colorado
- September Board Meeting
  - o Agenda
  - Officer Reports
  - o **Recording**

#### COLORADO SECRETARY OF STATE UPDATES

- October 4 More business filings go online at Colorado Secretary of State
- September 28 Proposed ballot measure redirects fines and financial penalties
- September 26 It's National Voter Registration Day
- September 22 DHS: Colorado's election system targeted but not breached
- September 22 Not every Colorado county is holding an election in November
- September 15 Colorado participates in study examining double voting

#### **COMMITTEES:**

Libertarian Party of Colorado

- o Style Committee
  - First meeting of the Style Committee is scheduled for October 4 at 1930 via electronic conferencing. Meeting recap will be supplied at the October Board Meeting
- o Policy Committee
  - This committee is chaired by the Fundraising Director. Please see his report for more information. Meetings are scheduled to occur biweekly.
- Libertarian National Committee
  - The Vice Chair is not currently on any committees for the LNC.
- Radical Caucus of the Libertarian Party (National Caucus)
  - o Endorsements Committee:
    - Final report submitted and the EC voted to endorse 5 candidates, 3 financially, due to their partisan races.
- Outright Libertarians (National Caucus)
  - o The Vice Chair is not currently on any committees for the Outright Libertarians.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- I am interested in starting a Libertarian Podcast and would love the LPCO and its membership to help me with this project. I have put out requests for interested parties several times, but have not received any feedback to date. I think there is a tremendous opportunity to see something like this in Colorado.
  - In July I spoke with someone who suggested recording several rough episodes to find the rhythm of the podcast. I am seeking donations of equipment which may assist, including USB mics, for examples.
- I intend to submit my name for the LNC Platform Committee to serve as Colorado's Representative once applications are available.
- I've attended several LNC Conference Calls for training and get great value from them. I recommend them to all Board members and any member of our Party.
- Upcoming Events I Plan to Attend:
  - o Regular LNC: Libertarian Party Development Conference Calls

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Longstreth
Vice Chair, Libertarian Party of Colorado
https://www.facebook.com/LibertarianLongstreth

#### Treasurer, 09 October 2017

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 9, the duties of the Treasurer are as follows:

The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining accurate records of all income and expenses associated with the operation of the Party and shall present a summary of all income and expenses incurred at the regular meeting of the Board. The income and expense summary may be limited to activity since the last regular meeting of the Board. The Treasurer shall also prepare budgets for the other board members or assist them in preparing their own budgets.

As of 05 October 2017, PayPal balance was \$798.35.

As of 05 October 2017, BBVA Compass balance was \$10,609.67.

As of 05 October 2017, Stripe balance was \$0.00.

As of 05 October 2017, Federal Election Activity account balance was \$0.00.

Held in reserve:

Standard reserve \$1,500.00
NationBuilder reserve \$1,590.00
Weld Co DG \$15.00
Clear Creek Co DG \$40.00
Denver Co DG \$325.00
Larimer Co DG \$15.00

As of 05 October 2017, Total accessible (not including reserved funds) balance was \$7,923.02.

Monthly since 24 May 2017 I have started corralling one twelfth the annual NationBuilder fee in QuickBooks and in this report so that the sudden expense in April doesn't catch us unprepared. Based on the NationBuilder annual fee that I anticipate, the monthly cut is \$318.33, rounded to \$318.00. Our accessible balance has not decreased since last month.

Subscription (16 recurring) donations to PayPal, Stripe & Compass Bank for July, \$600.52, a loss of \$20.00.

Contribution (1 one-time) \$36.00 via PayPal. This actually occurred in October but is reflected in today's PayPal balance, as are some recurring contributions. Reporting this contribution for September is an exception for the purpose of pointing out that balances as of reporting date

aren't necessarily those of the last day of the previous month. This should be obvious and I will not repeat it.

Event contributions: Pueblo Chile Festival \$ ??

I request that any Board member who receives cash or check from a donor please email me with the date received, check number, amount, and name & address of the donor. If the check is \$100 or more, then I also need the donor's occupation and employer. Please refer to the postscript in Treasurer's Report July 2016 for a list of TRACER-accepted occupation names. We can't accept cash donations over \$100. We can't accept contributions from corporations or from foreign nationals. The party can accept anonymous donations less than \$20 but if anonymous donations are collected by someone not authorized to accept funds for LPCO (not a board member) then that someone is considered a conduit and the collected aggregate is counted against their personal contribution limit and the funds conveyed to LPCO can't include more than \$100 in cash.

FEC Filing: Report filed 07/01/2017. Next report due 01/31/2018. FecFile software updated on my laptop to latest version on 06/07/2017.

Filed TRACER report 10/01/2017. Next report due 01/16/2018.

For supporters who wish to make monthly donations but who don't have or want a PayPal account, I can set up a subscription using Stripe using the donor's credit card information. We now have two such subscriptions.

Respectfully Submitted, John Hjersman 3:08 PM 10/05/17 Accrual Basis

## Libertarian Party of Colorado Statement of Financial Income and Expense September 2017

	Unclassified	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Donations	438.76	438.76
Stripe Sales	67.76	67.76
Total Income	506.52	506.52
Gross Profit	506.52	506.52
Expense		
Credit Card Fees	36.47	36.47
Stripe Payment Processing Fees	2.57	2.57
Telephone		
Internet	38.44	38.44
Telephone - Other	9.95	9.95
Total Telephone	48.39	48.39
Total Expense	87.43	87.43
Net Ordinary Income	419.09	419.09
Net Income	419.09	419.09

#### **Fundraising Director September 2017 Report**

Fundraising Mailer Campaign is ongoing.

Halloween fundraising event, "Night of the Living Statists", scheduled for **Saturday**, **October 28**<sup>th</sup> at **21079 E. Mineral Drive**, **Aurora CO 80016 at 6pm**. Candidate Todd Mitchem has been scheduled to speak at the event. Costumes relating to theme (Statism) are encouraged, and drinks will be served. Fundraising activities will consist of direct solicitation of guests, prizes for best/scariest statist costume, and auctioning of party memorabilia, to include a signed Gary Johnson banner.

# **Committee Reports Policy Manual Committee**

Items "Special Meetings" and "Sections 1.04 Board emails" to be addressed at October 5 meeting.

#### 2018 Convention Planning Committee

First committee meeting was held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Attendees included: Eric Mulder (Chair), Dennis Roark, and Sarah Cannon (Michele Poague and Kevin Gulbranson attended as advisors).

Efforts to secure location are underway. Committee members will decide on a venue to propose to the Board of Directors **no later than** November's State Board Meeting.

#### Items resolved at first meeting:

Convention theme will be "RISE of the Libertarians".

Committee Recommends that convention consists of Party Business and Featured Speakers

In Liberty,

Eric Mulder
Fundraising Director- Libertarian Party of Colorado
Outreach Director- Libertarian Party of Arapahoe County
Chair- Policy Manual Committee & 2018 Convention Planning Committee

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#### **OUTREACH DIRECTOR REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2017**

#### Article II, Section 5, of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:

"The Outreach Director shall be responsible for recruiting members, having speakers, conducting recruiting events, organizing and supporting student clubs and organizations at high schools, colleges, and universities and setting up and operating a speakers bureau."

#### Events/Requests:

 Pueblo Chili and Frijoles Festival – We were advised that our late application for this even was accepted the week of the event. A huge thank you to Michael Stapleton for taking the lead on staffing the booth for the event. Staffing was difficult as the event hours were to midnight on both Friday and Saturday nights of this three day event. Weather was a bit threatening at times with high winds on Friday and changes of rain throughout Saturday and Sunday. The booth survived and event was well attended and in fact crowded for most of the time. Contacts gathered are already uploaded into Nation Builder – special thank you to Dee Hower and David Aitken.

Still looking for suggestions as to any events to participate coming up. Please pass on to me any recommendations and suggestions for events for now through calendar year 2018. I intend to create a calendar for the year showing the dates for all upcoming events so that we don't miss key registration dates costing extra money for late fees such as the \$100 that we had to pay for the Pueblo Chile Festival.

We are working in conjunction with the Fundraising Director to host a Fundraising Event at our home – 21079 E Mineral Dr, Aurora, CO. Title and theme of the Event will be Night of the Living Statist. The event will take place on Saturday October 28 from 6:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Details will be posted in all of the usual places. Please plan to attend and invite all of your liberty minded friends.

As per discussion at our last board meeting, I will be investigating the possibility of the LPCO adopting a highway for more discussion at the November Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Gulbranson Outreach Director, LPCO

#### **Membership Director Report September 2017**

Per our Bylaws Article II, Section 11, the duties of the Membership Director are as follows: The Membership Director shall be responsible for developing membership education programs and publications, recruiting and training activists from the membership, and overseeing leadership training and succession planning at all levels within the Party, categorizing and contacting current individual members (registered Libertarian voters) to ask/persuade the members to support the LPCO financially or actively and for monthly reporting the same to the Board and affiliates.

There is not a lot of material for the newsletter, and no photos. I am still seeking someone to provide assistance formatting the e-newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted, Steven Gallant

#### **COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR REPORT OCTOBER 2017**

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 6, the duties of the Communications Director are as follows:

Section 6: The Communications Director shall be responsible for all communications, web sites, multimedia, social media, press releases, media appearances, and media inquiries.

#### Social Media:

The Social Media team has been running smoothly. The Board schedule needs to be kept to, and I ask each Board member to do so pursuant to below:

7:00pm Tues and Thurs: Kevin Gulbranson

7:00pm Sat Wayne Harlos

7:00pm Friday and Sun Daniel Lutz

7:00pm Mon Michael Stapleton and Kim Tavendale 7:00pm Wed Eric Mulder and 9:00 pm Steve Gallant

Beatriz Sutton is doing a weekly #TBT post.

Report from Robert Bentley: The LPCO Twitter is sitting at 1,646 followers and still posts on the regular schedule it has been for over a year now. In the past year the follower count has doubled in size and keeps growing.

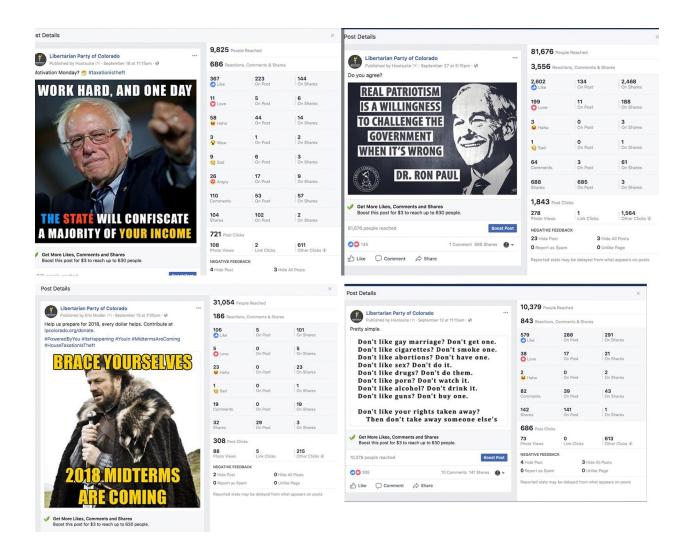
The LPCO Instagram is at 269 followers with high engagement of the posts with almost 1,900 impressions in the past 7 days.

Our Social Media statistics are as follows:

SOURCE	LIKES/ FOLLOW	REACH /
	1	VIEWS
	CIRCLES	

FACEBOOK	24,642	Likes have slowed down, expected in an off-year
TWITTER	1646	Steady growth.
Instagram	269	Steady growth.

These have been our most popular posts:



#### Website:

The website is currently up to date and excellently maintained by David Aitken.

#### Media/Events/Press Releases:

None this month but was straightening out issues due to bulk NationBuilder blast. Sent out notices for Committees and notification of new open email policy.

#### **Policy Manual and Style Guide:**

Several meetings have taken place and the Policy Manual started.

#### **Style Committee:**

Style Committee is planning its first meeting.

#### **National Platform Committee Appointment:**

We will be soliciting applications. I suggest polling immediately after the State Platform Committee appointments.

#### **FURTHER INVOLVEMENT:**

My involvement with the Party goes beyond my prescribed Board duties.

#### **National Membership Updates:**

We are ahead of Washington by ten. We need to more aggressively follow-up on lapsed member. I provided the data dump to Daniel Lutz.

#### **Radical Caucus:**

I am very involved as a volunteer but not a Board member due to a potential conflict of interest with the potential for National to sue caucuses that use "Libertarian Party" in their name.

#### **Volunteer Recruitment:**

I have brought on a new FB volunteer who is an editor for the widely successful "Being Libertarian" page (Lance Cayko) who is also doing social media for Boulder. Victor Reynolds had to resign due to computer issues. I have begun speaking with a potential video maker.

#### Committees:

<sup>\*</sup>National Bylaws Committee aka Inner Ring of Dante's Inferno;)

<sup>\*</sup>National Platform Committee

- \*Chair, Historical Preservation Committee
- \*National Advertising and Publication Review Committee
- \*LPCO Style Committee
- \*LPCO Policy Manual Committee
- \*LPCO Style Guide Committee (pending completion of Policy Manual)
- \*Radical Caucus Convention Committee
- \*National Candidate Support Committee

#### Historical Preservation/LPedia

Beatriz Sutton is heading up the Colorado portion which has had fantastic progress. Myself and Sarah Ellsworth have been working each Saturday on the National records. Things have been progressing rapidly. I would LPCO to consider an unpaid intern to assist.

#### LNC/National:

Please see my LNC Regional report. I also will be attending the Wyoming convention.

#### **Independent Political Report:**

I am editor and report on Party news and issues.

#### **Transparency**

As per my October meeting deadline, both the LPCO open email list and confidential list are up and running. View open list at: https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/lpco-open-business

#### Media:

I have done an AMA with Ask a Libertarian and have been asked to speak on "Abortion and the Libertarian Conscience" at the Flathead (MT) Libertarians.

Respectfully Submitted,
Caryn Ann Harlos
Communications Director and Social Media Chair

#### **Records Report October 2017**

I participated in a required Review and Comment session with the Legislative Council and with the head of Colorado Union of Taxpayers.

I submitted a modified version of the Income Tax and Criminal Justice ballot initiatives. We removed some of the items that were opposed by Legislative Council to avoid future legal complications.

I recruited a candidate for the RTD board.

Respectfully Submitted, Mike Spalding Records Director



LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, REGION 1

#### **REGION 1 REPRESENTATIVE REPORT, October 2017**

I sent out a Regional Newsletter last week detailing events since my last report. A copy of that newsletter is attached.

Respectfully Submitted, Caryn Ann Harlos Libertarian National Committee, Region 1 Representative LNC Region 1 October Newsletter 10/8/17, 1:04 AM

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LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, REGION 1

## **Dear Region 1 Members:**

This is my periodic status update in order to keep you up to date on matters concerning the Libertarian National Committee and my involvement as your elected Regional representative. Remember, you can also find copies of referenced reports as well as a lot of other helpful information at the <a href="Region 1">Region 1</a> website. If you missed my September newsletter, you can read it <a href="here">here.</a>

Following are some of the major issues discussed on the LNC Business List since my last newsletter to you. I highly encourage you to follow this list <u>LNC</u> Archives of Email Discussions and Votes (can be viewed by author, date, subject and thread) and keep track of what your National Party representatives are doing as I can only cover the major items here.

\*I want your feedback- would you be interested in a monthly conference call to answer any questions? Let me know.

My latest Region 1 report can be found <u>here</u>. The finalized minutes from the last LNC report can be found <u>here</u>.

## **SEPTEMBER 2017 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

My analysis of the numbers can be found <u>here</u>. Here is the down and dirty Regional summary:

## BSM Membership tracking

State	8/17 #s/	9/17 #s/	Change
	Rank	Rank	#s/Rank
Alaska	86/37	81/39	-5/-2
Arizona	323/16	322/16	-1/same
Colorado	493/10	483/10	-10/same
Hawaii	53/44	54/44	+1/same
Kansas	134/34	134/4	same/same
Montana	74/40	72/40	-2/same
Utah	100/35	90/36	-10/-1
Washington	492/11	472/11	-20/same
Wyoming	35/49	34/49	-1/same

### **AUGUST 2017 END-OF-MONTH FINANCIAL REPORT**

This can be viewed here.

## **HUSTED V. APRI CASE BRIEF**

There was a bit of a dust-up on the LNC list over this and an inaccuracy in the opening paragraph. I lay out my objections with quotes here.

## **EMAIL MOTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT**

There were none. I am attempting to get co-sponsors for a motion to contribute to the Washington campaign of Michelle Darnell but due to budgeting concerns this is unlikely.

# TIME TO START THINKING AHEAD TO THE 2018 CONVENTION

Get your early bird tickets <u>here</u>. Make your hotel reservations now. There is no charge to do so and you can cancel the reservation within 72 hours (double-check) without charge. Touch base with your state party to find out how to become a seated delegate.

The pre-Conventiont LNC meeting is set for April 21-22, 2018. The next LNC meeting is December 8-10, 2017 in New Orleans.

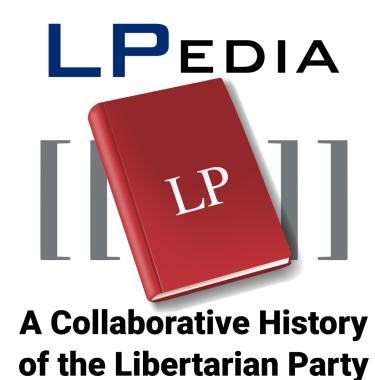
Listen to my recent new member conference call on how to get more involved with the Libertarian Party by clicking this box.



Listen to my recent appearance on Ask A Libertarian - Part One and Part Two.

Add your piece of LP history and knowledge to

LNC Region 1 October Newsletter 10/8/17, 1:04 AM



LPedia.org

Sign up and get your wiki on!

I love to be kept informed about significant happenings in our Region so please feel free to reach out any time with important news and happenings. That information also helps me to keep my reports up to date and thorough. You can always email me at Caryn.Ann.Harlos@LP.org or call me at 561.523.2250.

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