

Libertarian Party of Washington State Annual Convention Business Session Minutes
5/31/2015 – Drafted by Steven Nielson/David Traynor, Secretary of the Libertarian Party of
Washington State.

Call to order 9:30 – Chairman Pickens

Quorum – Credentials Committee: 22 voting members present. 6 required for quorum. Quorum
established. Majority requires 12 votes. 2/3 requires 14 votes. 4/5 requires 16 votes.

M/S approval of convention rules as presented.

- Ayes have it

M/S to approve 2014 minutes as presented

- Ayes have it

Chairman Report: Pickens

State of the Party. We must continue to grow, recruit, run candidates. We must continue to try and
we will win.

Treasurers Report: Sean Treasure

Campaign account established. Distributed \$1000 to each regions to provide opportunity for start-up

Total income \$13,360.11 - \$6141.84 direct result of convention

Expenses: \$25,588

Net income: **(\$12,228.76)**

Convention was more expensive than thought. Paid for Anticipated expenses. Prepayments to hotel.
Should get some prepayments back.

Balance sheet:

Total assets \$2503.30

Note payable: \$7000

Secretary's Report

Party platform now reviewable. First time in recent state history. SN put together and reviewed by
small committee.

Regional Director Report

R3 Paul Addis – Addis, Turner campaigns successful. Booths at Hempfest, Gary Johnson present. Hosted Liberty on the Rocks once a month, increased turn-out. Started King and Kitsap county parties. King County has active mailing list of 600. Kitsap has been identified for growth focus. Financials – spent \$1000 on campaigns.

R4 Jon Hurtley for Alan Acosta – Alan and James send their regrets. Reach, Teach, Inspire, Educate. Partnering with other educations was strategic plan. Showed the community that Libertarians were active members of their community through volunteerism and inclusion in shared group events and activity. (Hurtley will provide report for the minutes)

R5 Zack Banks – Cowlitz County LP established. Officers established, all running candidates. Rob Gibbs running unopposed and will win. Kelso fighting city council for property rights, changed city plan to restrict eminent domain. Clark County LP new officers elected. Most spending was done by private donations – about \$800 remaining from \$1000 flowed down. Recommend all regions donate back money to state party.

R6 David Traynor for Gavin Keefe – Meetings began Feb 2015. Growing party membership. Candidates for city council in Yakima(Gavin Keefe) and Moses Lake(Don Meyers). Seeking involvement and growth in SE of Region. Tri/Walla2.

Constitution and Bylaws:

Steven Nielsen: so excited;)

All changes were to be submitted to chair/sec 30 days prior

Proposed and posted within 20 days

Large Changes:

Request from region 3, too many active counties that region is unnecessary.

10:02: SN requests to take meeting from MP

Allowed

Line Item 1:

10:03 SN presents line item 1

10:04 Paul Addis confirms his submission/support

10:05 Zack Banks motions to recess for credentialing of new members(late arrivals)

Seconded

Approved

New Credentials Recognized

25 Voting Members Present

Quorum still met. Majority requires 13 votes. 2/3rds requires 17 votes. 4/5ths requires 20 votes.

No Challenge

10:15 PA motions to move to vote in favor

MP Seconds

MC Motion in opposition from floor;

MP rescinds second because of opposition from floor

10:15 Addis speaks in favor

10:17 M Carling speaks in opposition

10:18 David Wiley Speaks in favor

10:19 Zack Banks speaks in opposition

10:21 Michael Pickens speaks in favor

10:22 Zack Banks speaks in opposition

10:24 Paul Addis speaks in favor

10:25 (MC) Motion from floor;

Debate to remain germane to question on floor

10:26 SN Clarification on floor motion

10:27 Marsolek speaks in opposition

10:27 Rory Leckband speaks in opposition

10:28 Discussion closes call to vote

Call for Division

10:29 Vote; Aye 9/Naye 14

Line Item Fails

Line Item 2; no motion, no comment

Line Item 3;

Motion to adopt

Seconded

10:30 Call for discussion

10:31 M Carling speaks in opposition

10:32 Move to vote

Motion fails

10:32 Line Item 4; no motion

Line item 5; no motion

10:33 Motion to discuss line item 6

Seconded

10:33 Zack Banks speaks in favor

10:34 Paul Marsolek speaks in favor

10:35 Vote on line item 6,

Motion passes

10:36(ZB) Move to adopt Line item 7 as presented

(MC) Seconded

10:36 Zack Banks speaks in favor

10:36 M Carling speaks in opposition

10:38 Call to vote

Call for Division

Motion Fails: Ayes(10) Nay(9)

(17 needed for 2/3rds)

10:39 Motion to adopt Line item 8

Seconded

10:40 Marc Nicholson speaks in favor

10:41 Michael Pickens speaks in opposition

10:41 Zack Banks speaks in favor

10:44 Gary Welch speaks in opposition

10:45 M Carling speaks in favor

10:47 David Wiley speaks in opposition

10:47 Paul Marsolek speaks in favor

10:49 Robert Burr speaks in opposition

10:51 Zack Banks speaks in favor

10:52 Gary Welch speaks in opposition

10:55 Paul Addis speaks in favor

10:56 M Carling speaks in favor

SN recognizes to body issue of 3 speakers in a row in favor. Offer to opposition to contest.

10:57 Jon Hurtley speaks in favor

10:59 David Wiley speaks in opposition

11:00 Move to Vote

Aye(13)/Naye(11) Motion fails to get 2/3 majority

11:02 Line item 9 motion to adopt

Seconded

11:03 Zach Banks speaks in Favor

11:03 Move to Vote to adopt line item 9

Motion Carries/Unanimous

11:04 Move to incorporate Line Item "Blank"

MC Moves to incorporate

Seconded

MP calls to question

Nays have it

11:04 Michael Pickens speaks in favor

11:05 M Carling speaks in opposition

11:07 Michael Pickens speaks in favor

Rory Leckband motions to amend.

Motion would strike Letter D. Period following D, and semicolon preceding Letter D.

Motion Seconded

11:09 Call to Vote on amendment

Aye has it

11:10 Call to Vote on amended Line Item

Aye has it.

11:10 Call to recess

Seconded

11:16 Call back to order

11:16 Changes to Constitution

11:16 Motion to adopt Line Item 1

Seconded

11:17 Michael Pickens speaks in favor

11:17 Zach Banks speaks in favor

11:18 M Carling speaks in “enthusiastic” favor

11:18 Call to Vote

Ayes have it(1 in Opposition)

Motion Carries

11:19 Motion to adopt Line Item 2

Seconded

11:20 Michael Pickens speaks in favor

Call to vote

Ayes have it

11:20 Motion to adopt Line item 3

Seconded

11:21 M Carling speaks in opposition

11:22 Call to vote

Nays have it, Motion fails

11:22 Motion to adopt Line Item 4

Seconded

11:22 Jon Hurtley speaks in favor

Raises question on language of Chairman or Chairperson

11:23 Motion for amendment to modify name of Chairman to Chairperson

Seconded

11:24 Motion to amend amendment

Motion to change language of Chairman, to Chairperson in all instances throughout the constitution.

11:25 Vote on Amended amendment

Motion Carries

11:26 Call to vote Line item 4

Motion Carries

Officer Elections

Chair Nomination:

Nomination for Steven Nielson.

2nd

3rd

4th

Nominations closed.

23 votes Nielson, 1 Big Bird

11:32 Chairperson Steven Nielson takes floor

Motion from floor to elect secretary pro-tem

DT selected as ProTem

11:32 Vice Chairperson

Zach Banks nominated

Seconded

Nominations Closed

19 Votes for Zack Banks, 1 for Ste Zack

Zack Banks becomes LPWA Vice Chairperson

11:36 Treasurer

Nomination for Sean Treasure

Seconded

21 votes for Sean Treasure, 1 Amended

Sean Treasure retains position as LPWA Treasurer

11:45 Secretary

Nomination for M Carling

2nd

Nomination for Tiffany Diaz De Leone

2nd

Nomination for David Traynor

2nd

Candidates Address body in order of Nomination.

Votes:

David Traynor Receives 13 votes

Tiffany Diaz De Leone Receives 8 votes

M Carling Receives 4 votes

David Traynor becomes Secretary of LPWA

11:55 Legislative Platform

Moved to adopt platform as presented

Seconded

Call to hear discussion on Platform

11:57 Gary Welch speaks to Legislative Platform, specifically in opposition to Line 17.

11:59 Motion to amend to strike Line 17

Seconded

Call to discussion for Strike of Line 17

12:00 Michael Pickens speaks in opposition

12:01 M Carling speaks in opposition

Jacob Lamont Speaks in opposition, and is turned out

Paul Addis moves to Strike sentence 3 of Line 17, "Officers infringe...."

Seconded

Vote to end discussion on amendment to amendment

Carries

Discussion ends

Vote on limited line strike,

Nayes have it.

Call to Strike all of Line 17

MP Calls to question,

12:05 discussion ends

12:05 Vote on amendment to Strike Line 17

Motion Fails

Movement to adopt Platform

Call to question

Seconded

Carries

Movement to Vote to Adopt Platform:

Aye's have it:

Platform adopted

Chairperson's note: No candidate shall be forced to endorse platform during their campaign.

12:10 Movement to recess to Eat, and conduct regional caucuses.

Seconded

Motion Passes.

Regional Director Elections

12:32 Region 1 Elects Jacob Lamont as Director

Michael Pickens as Vice

12:33 Region 2 has no vote

12:33 Region 3 Elects Tiffany Diaz De Leone as Director

12:33 Region 4 has no vote

12:34 Region 5 Elects M Carling as Director

12:35 Region 6 Re-Elects Gavin Keefe as Director

12:36 Region 7 Elects Rory Leckband

Judicial Committee Report

Recognized that no known record of Judicial Committee exists

Requirements for committee members stated

2 spots remain to be filled

Michael Pickens is nominated for Judicial Committee

Seconded

Dave Wordinger is nominated for Judicial Committee

Seconded

Vote taken:

Votes for Michael Pickens--14/19 Elected

David Wordinger--19/19 Elected

NOTA-1/19

No Nominations for Judicial Committee Partial Terms

12:47 Jacob Lamont moves to adopt Lion as official state mascot

Seconded

12:48 Jacob Lamont speaks in favor

12:49 M Carlin speaks in opposition

12:50 Michael Pickens speaks in opposition

12:50 Jon Hurtley speaks in favor

12:51 Zach Banks speaks in opposition

12:51 Jacob Lamont speaks in favor

12:52 David Wiley speaks in (?)

12:53 Michael comments

12:53 Ralph Edwards speaks in emphatic opposition

12:54 Motion to Vote

Nays have it

12:54 Motion to adjourn

Seconded

Vote

Carried/Adjourned