

Libertarian Party of Indiana
State Central Committee Meeting
August 24, 2024

Chair: Evan McMahon

Secretary: Clayton Soultz

Voting Attendees: Kristin Alexander (Vice Chair), Michael Schultheiss (Treasurer), Andrew Smith (Comms), Chuck Hagerman (Tech), John Schick (D1), Elizabeth Coquillard (D2), Kristi Avery (D3), Danny Lundy (D4), Lauri Shillings (D5), Larry Silver (D6 Proxy), Libby Glass (D7), Darin Kinser (D9)

Members Absent:

Meeting held remotely via Zoom.

I. Call to Order

- a. Called to order by Chair McMahon 10:37am.

II. Roll Call

- a. 14 present, 0 absent, 0 guests.

III. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Agenda adopted without objection.

IV. Officer Reports

- a. Chair – Doing work in the LPIN CRM, and moving things from the national system over to our system. Also working on the LPIN.org shop, currently having issues where shipping is not calculating correctly. Managing several candidate questions, as well as discussions with Indiana election division. Got Gala website up, and consistently getting op-eds out.
- b. Vice Chair – Lost two affiliated counties over the previous month, after election will focus on getting counties up and running again, currently focusing on Rainwater campaign. Has upcoming event for Rainwater and Fitzlaff.
- c. Treasurer – Balance across all accounts was \$5964.50. All deposits for 50th Gala have been paid for, and no other large expenditures outstanding, so positive movement is expected.
- d. Secretary – Will be working on uploading minutes to LPIN website. Kinser moved to accept all pending minutes, second by Smith, motion passed.

V. LNC Update

- a. No LNC reps present because LNC meeting was happening concurrently in Miami, FL.

VI. Director Reports

- a. Communications – Putting several op-eds and posts out, a recent article on Civil Asset Forfeiture being picked up by IndyStar and being part of their daily email. Social Media interactions are also up, particularly info about the Donald Rainwater campaign.
- b. Tech – Not much to report, been working with Rainwater campaign and helping with some media advisories.
- c. Membership – Slightly down in August, partially expected because officers are busy with the campaign, and with current issues going on with national. Two new members, and a renewed membership in District 3. Current unique memberships as of report time was 526.

VII. District Reports

- a. D1 – Had a Beach Cleanup day for a Service Saturday. September 7 has a spot in the Valparaiso Popcorn Festival Parade. Porter and LaPorte continue to have regular meetings, and Lake County has engagement on Facebook but not having many meetings.
- b. D2 – Kosciusko will be at Fancy Tramp Hippie Fest in third week of September. September 21, Elkhart County has Nappanee Apple Festival Parade, also made a \$300 donation to the Rainwater campaign. St. Joseph had a County meeting, and will be having an election night party, County chair is getting a lot of time on the radio.
- c. D3 – Allen and Whitley are most active counties, meeting regularly, and Whitley does several parades. Allen has Service Saturday upcoming on September 14, removing invasive species in a local woods. DeKalb is currently struggling, needing members. Rainwater signs are being sent out, and Jarrad Lancaster for Congress is putting in a lot of work. Kristi asked about Allen County instance/website on the new CRM.
- d. D4 – Bounced back up on members, now similar to where they were in beginning of the year. In Morgan and Tippecanoe County it is currently festival season, so several festivals going on. Anchor member was lost in Boone County, moving to Hamilton County.
- e. D5 – Grant County had meeting on August 15, will be doing door-knocking on September 15, assisting staffing at Jonesboro River Rally Sept 26-29. Service Saturday was on August 11, helping feedingteam.org. Will have outreach booth at Cicero Street Festival later today. Madison County claims against their candidate was dropped, Howard County is growing, and still has a few people interested in possible leadership positions.
- f. D6 – Report presented in writing by Lomax.
- g. D7 – Marion county attempted to have a meeting on August 21, did not make quorum. Several people have emailed asking about participating in the county and running for office. Congressional candidate Johnson will be on a radio interview soon.
- h. D8 – Vacant

- i. D9 – Recently had event in Jeffersonville. Lawrence, Floyd, Jackson and Monroe are all consistently holding meetings. Several appearances by Rainwater, game preserve event upcoming on September 9th. Floyd County will be hosting September meetup on September 18th in Beer City Winery. Lawrence County will have a September meeting soon.

VIII. Break

- a. Break was cancelled without objection.

IX. Teams

- a. Gaming – A county recently requested use of the raffle license, chair will need to talk to treasurer about how to get that done, hoping to have a meeting after the election so that events can be held in 2025.
- b. Data – Currently no participation in Voter Gravity. Floyd county has expressed interest, Lundy will have to reach out to them to get it set up. Coquillard noted that multiple candidates have asked about using it, asked how to get them signed up, chair noted that county chairs were sent the link that can be shared to any candidates that want to use it.
- c. 2025 Convention – Potential speaker has been found, an LGBTQ+ organizational leader, also talking to a farmer that gives out food to people in need. Friday night deposit is still needed, but it is not due until after the election.

X. Unfinished Business

- a. Legal Updates – LPIN lost the appeal on the ballot access case. There were multiple factual errors in the rulings, attorneys have recommended either appealing en banc or taking it to the Supreme Court.
- b. 50th Gala – Upcoming on September 21st, different speakers that are not often heard from will be coming. Next SCC meeting will be remote on September 21st at 10:30am, will be a truncated meeting with just financial report and any new business, so that leadership can prepare for the Gala.
- c. Rainwater Updates – Lots going on, several upcoming podcast appearances, as well as radio and tv interviews are coming up. WISH-TV debate criteria were released, still waiting on FOX-TV debate criteria. Billboards are going up and radio ads are starting on September 9. Ad records are FCC-compliant and able to be put on podcasts, so Alexander noted that podcasters can do an in-kind donation of airing the ads on their show. Over 3000 signs have been given out, another order will be made soon, and request lists should be updated tomorrow. Chair opened an invitation to any congressional or statewide candidates that they can present written updates for SCC meetings.

XI. New Business

- a. Boone County Disaffiliation – Anchor member was Ronnie Dickson, and he is moving to Hamilton County. The paperwork has been done to close the party with the state, and their bank account has been closed, just still needs to be disaffiliation. Lundy moved to disaffiliate Boone County, second by Alexander. Roll call vote, 13 yes, 1 no, motion passed.
- b. Vanderburgh County Disaffiliation – Request was made to the chair by the membership to disaffiliate. Vanderburgh County had filed the closure paperwork with the county clerk, and remaining money in their account was being sent to the state party. They have also forfeited any pending triple membership payments. The county party requested that the money be used on candidates, the chair would like to but is unwilling to commit to an official earmark. Chair moved to disaffiliate Vanderburgh County, second by Soultz. Silver asked if the money could be set aside for use for any future county affiliate there, Chair again noted that he was not willing to commit officially, but he would like to honor their request if possible. Roll call vote, 12 yes, 2 no, motion passed.
- c. Washington County Disaffiliation – Washington county has filed the paperwork with the county clerk to disband. Kinser moved to disaffiliate Washington county, second by Lundy. Roll call vote, 13 yes, 0 no, motion passed.
- d. Assistant Treasurer – Ronnie Dickson is a banker, and is willing to help Schultheiss with the treasurer duties. Schultheiss noted that Ronnie works for a local bank, he is not sure if we would want to switch banks, but thinks that an assistant with his skills might be helpful. Shillings spoke to the motion, he has done a great job as treasurer for the Shillings District 5 campaign. Lundy moved to appoint Ronnie Dickson as Assistant Treasurer, second by Alexander. Motion passed by voice vote.

XII. Adjournment

- a. Glass moved to adjourn, motion passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Clayton Soultz
Secretary, LPIN

		Present	Boone Disaffiliation	Vanderburgh Disaffiliation	Washington Disaffiliation
Chair	Evan McMahon	Y	N	N	Y
Vice Chair	Kristin Alexander	Y	Y	Y	Y
Secretary	Clayton Soultz	Y	Y	Y	Y
Treasurer	Michael Schultheiss	Y	Y	Y	Y
Political Director					
IT Director	Chuck Hagerman	Y	Y	Y	Y
Membership					
Communication Director	Andrew Smith	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 1	John Schick	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 2	Liz Coquillard	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 3	Kristi Avery	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 4	Danny Lundy	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 5	Lauri Shillings	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 6	Larry Silver (Proxy)	Y	Y	N	Abstain
District 7	Libby Glass	Y	Y	Y	Y
District 8					
District 9	Darin Kinser	Y	Y	Y	Y

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Guests