

Libertarian Party of Indiana
State Central Committee Meeting
January 18, 2025

Chair: Evan McMahon

Recordkeeper: Clayton Soultz (Secretary)

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

Non-voting Attendees: Ronnie Dickson (Asst. Treasurer), Stephanie Dasbach (Asst. Secretary)

Members Absent:

Guests Present: Greg Hertzsch (LNC Region 3 North Alt)

Meeting held remotely via Zoom.

I. Call to Order

- a. Called to order by Chair McMahon at 10:31am.

II. Roll Call

- a. 14 voting members present, 2 nonvoting members, 1 guest.

III. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Chair added item d. under “New Business” to reschedule remote February meeting without objection. Amended agenda was adopted without objection.

IV. Officer Reports

- a. Chair – Working in Civi to fix some campaign issues and glitches around 1994 Society Members. Talked a lot to county chairs about growth strategies. Noted that national news has taken a lot of members’ attention, but wants to stay focused on LPIN matters.
- b. Vice Chair – Not much to report, has not been able to be in the Indy office yet in 2025, but will be there soon, and plans to get membership cards for December out soon. She has talked with Tippecanoe County and they are thinking of disaffiliating, but hoping that someone will step up to be chair rather than doing that.
- c. Treasurer – \$18467.96 across all accounts. Slight net income of \$1700 for 2024 overall. Gun Owners of America has sponsored the convention at a \$5000 level which has helped revenue. Some paperwork for the FEC was misfiled but is being corrected. Lomax asked if we would be fined, Chair and Treasurer both expect no, because we

were sent a “Request for Information,” rather than an action letter stating the LPIN is at fault.

- d. Secretary – LPIN coming up, Soultz noted that the list of county delegate counts are available, and gave a reminder that county parties should email the secretary with the list of delegates and alternates when they’re decided. Soultz moved to accept December minutes, second by Alexander, motion passed.

V. Outside Updates

- a. Hertzsch shared an update. There was an issue regarding the ending of birthright citizenship added to the website, which caused an uproar, but Hertzsch noted that it was done by staff not by the approval of the LNC, and was taken down. The Judicial Committee has ruled that the suspension of Caryn Ann Harlos as secretary was invalid, and was reinstated. However, the response from the Chair has not been positive, and Caryn Ann still has limited access. Hertzsch noted that convention and audit committees are currently accepting applications. Also mentioned a “Free Ross Ulbricht” fundraiser going on. Coquillard asked about an inaugural party, Hertzsch noted that one was briefly announced by the chair but has since been taken down. Lomax asked about changes to the national officers, Hertzsch noted that Rutherford stepped down as Vice Chair, but Redpath has no intention of leaving as Treasurer. Chair made a formal complaint that he has requested a data dump of current and lapsed national memberships, and he has had no response. He no longer even gets email responses from the staff anymore.

VI. Director Reports

- a. Tech – Hagerman went through all of the 2024 candidates and entered their election results into CiviCRM.
- b. Comms – Slowing down since election, now focusing on issue advocacy. A recent op-ed about speed cameras was picked up by IndyStar and several other papers. As the state legislative session starts, support or opposition to specific bills will be a primary focus. Chair is writing some op-eds praising liberty-supporting bills going through. Chair made a TikTok account for the party and downloaded the app, so that if it is banned, the only thing that is stopped is new app downloads, so the state should be able to keep a TikTok account. Press releases go to media@lpin.vote, general comms requests go to the Comms director at Comms@lpin.org.
- c. Membership – No changes since the written report sent at beginning of January, holding at 505 unique memberships. She has requested assistance about the retention part of membership, could use some help from people sending lapsed membership emails.

VII. District Reports

- a. D1 – Porter county held convention and elected officers, LaPorte will have meeting soon and should do the same, Lake county has not been meeting recently.

- b. D2 – Kosciusko has convention on January 23, St. Joseph scheduled annual convention for January 26 and verified that all candidates completed CFA reports. Elkhart county convention will be on February 15, and recently participated in a recent Veteran’s legislative event.
- c. D3 – Allen county continues to have monthly meetups, convention is Sunday, February 2. Whitley convention is scheduled for March 1. DeKalb filed year-end paperwork, but no news on any other fronts.
- d. D4 – Membership and donations are steady in D4. Montgomery convention is Monday, most leadership desires to step down, so it might be their final convention. Morgan county did not have a quorum, also might have leadership leaving. Tippecanoe county will hopefully have a convention soon, but nobody has stepped up for officer roles. Mayoras sent lots of documents for Montgomery county, including bylaws, minutes, etc.
- e. D5 – Hamilton convention will be held later today (January 18). Madison county scheduled for January 26. Still have not heard from Grant County regarding convention.
- f. D6 – Hancock held its convention, elected some new officers. Currently working with state chair and Brad Simpson to get Henry County running again. Uncertain if Johnson county has had convention yet.
- g. D7 – Had a monthly meeting recently, but only had two attendees. Several officers are expressing interest in stepping down.
- h. D9 – Seven affiliated counties, four are very active. Floyd county had a successful holiday party, will have convention on January 25. Clark county is regularly meeting, will be having convention on March 4. Lawrence county convention is tomorrow (January 19). Monroe county is meeting monthly for board games, convention will be January 25. Jackson county is somewhat inactive due to personal activities from chair, but did get forms turned in and will hopefully schedule convention soon.

VIII. Teams

- a. LPIN Convention – Gun Owners of America sponsorship has come in. Working on finalizing Friday night event, and will be doing a walkthrough on Wednesday at the venue. Finalizing pricing, early bird pricing will be closing in a few weeks. Lauri noted that branding is ready to be sent out whenever the team is ready. Soultz noted that deadline for bylaws or standing rules changes is coming up in about ten days.
- b. Data – No updates for data team.

IX. Unfinished Business

- a. Triple Member Payouts – Treasurer and asst. have spreadsheet updated so that they can calculate owed payments and track payments going forward. Schultheiss intends to work on sending back payments on Monday.

X. New Business and Announcements

- a. District Conventions – Chair gave reminder that all districts should have a district convention soon, has only heard from D2 and D9.
- b. Civi for Counties – Allen County and Monroe Counties will be onboarded with their own instance of CiviCRM, and will hopefully pave the way for more counties in the future.
- c. Issue Pages – Chair asked about potential topics to cover on an issue page. Coquillard suggested racism and bigotry since it was removed from the national platform, also noted abortion. Lomax mentioned property taxes or taxes in general. Dasbach suggested going over house bills currently being considered. Lundy also added gas tax and income tax. Hagerman mentioned lockdowns and other COVID actions. Avery mentioned property rights, to go against eminent domain and community use plans to take away people's property. Lundy also noted cannabis and criminal justice reform. Shillings mentioned the Equal Rights Amendment that was announced by Biden. Lomax brought up surveillance and traffic cameras. Hagerman noted property seizure by police. McMahon added local food freedom, the right to grow your own food on your property. Other mentions were licensing, backyard chickens, personal property taxes, landlord registration, and the death penalty.
- d. February remote meeting – Chair requested moving February meeting from February 8 to February 22. Curran moved to reschedule February meeting to February 22, second by Lomax, motion passed.

XI. Adjournment

- a. Lomax moved to adjourn, second by Shillings, meeting adjourned at 11:52am.

Respectfully submitted,
Clayton Soultz
Secretary, LPIN

		Attendance
Chair	Evan McMahon	Y
Vice Chair	Kristin Alexander	Y
Secretary	Clayton Soultz	Y
Treasurer	Michael Schultheiss	Y
Political Director		
IT Director	Chuck Hagerman	Y
Membership		
Communication Dire	Andrew Smith	Y
District 1	John Schick	Y
District 2	Liz Coquillard	Y
District 3	Kristi Avery	Y
District 4	Danny Lundy	Y
District 5	Lauri Shillings	Y
District 6	Luke Lomax	Y
District 7	Libby Glass	Y
District 8		
District 9	Kelley Curran	Y
Asst. Treasurer	Ronnie Dickson	Y
Asst. Secretary	Stephanie Dasbach	Y
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Guests		1