

Libertarian Party of Indiana
State Central Committee Meeting
March 22, 2025

Chair: Evan McMahon

Recordkeeper: Clayton Soultz (Secretary)

Voting Attendees: Michael Schultheiss (Treasurer), Chuck Hagerman (Tech), John Schick (D1), Elizabeth Coquillard (D2), Kristi Avery (D3), Danny Lundy (D4), Lauri Shillings (D5), Luke Lomax (D6), Libby Glass (D7), Kelley Curran (D9)

Non-Voting Members Present: Stephanie Dasbach (Asst. Secretary), Ronnie Dickson (Asst. Treasurer)

Members Absent: Andrew Smith (Comms)

Guests Present: Greg Hertzsch (Region 3 Alt North)

Meeting held at Switchboard office in Indianapolis.

I. Call to Order

- a. Called to order by Chair McMahon 12:31pm.

II. Roll Call

- a. 12 voting members present, 2 nonvoting members present, 1 absent, 1 guest.

III. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Agenda adopted without objection.

IV. Officer Reports

- a. Chair – Called the Henry county convention where they appointed new leadership and amended new bylaws, Brad Simpson was elected chair. Also called the District 8 convention, where they elected Micah Haynes as the new District 8 representative, whose term will start at the close of the state convention. Lots of work on convention and CiviCRM. Came across an issue where under the most recent interpretation of the law, Libertarians can no longer be appointed to local merit boards, because Libertarians do not have partisan votes in the primary. Will be challenging in next session.
- b. Vice Chair – Vacant
- c. Treasurer – \$27,034.90 currently across all accounts, still have some expenses for convention coming up, but fundraising and sponsors have been excellent over the past month, gave kudos to the convention team. Chair gave update on convention costs, \$16,922.22 is the total cost so far, the LPIN has spent \$4688.93 of that so far, and

revenue is already over \$16,000, so it is set to make money. Dickson and Schultheiss have been working on Triple Membership payments.

- d. Secretary –

V. LNC Update

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VI. Director Reports

- a. Comms – Released a statement in the beginning of February regarding the use of Guantanamo Bay for deportations, got the highest engagement of any post in a while, with 162 comments. Several posts on Facebook have gotten over 50 shares. Views and engagements on twitter are down, but they are steady or increasing on Facebook.
- b. Tech – Will be updating counties on the webpage as counties complete the update form. Offered some extra help to the chair with the resignation of the Vice Chair. Chair noted that Hancock county's information seemed to be incorrect on the website.

VII. District Reports

D1 – Status quo, Porter and LaPorte continue to have meetings all CFA forms are either submitted or about to be submitted. LaPorte has submitted delegates to state convention, other two counties have not.

D2 – All counties except Marshall had their conventions, Marshall is still not communicating. District meeting was held, Tim Cotton was elected new D2 representative. Elkhart has an advocacy meeting coming up.

D3 – Allen and Whitley counties are the only ones with consistent communication. She is not too concerned with Randolph county, but Wells county is likely close to disaffiliation, potentially as well as DeKalb. Allen county had convention, and is seeking media contacts from Agility.

D4 – Montgomery county has voted to disaffiliate. Hendricks county did not have quorum for their convention, but did submit list of delegates. Morgan and Hendricks will attempt to have conventions in March, and we will have to wait and see if Tippecanoe county will elect a chair. Chair will add Tippecanoe as a convention called by the state chair.

D5 – Hamilton and Grant counties had conventions, no changes to leadership and both have filed CFA-4. Madison county should have convention soon and will be reminded about CFA form. Membership is down for the district, noted that morale is low.

D6 – Johnson county has held convention and submitted delegates, chair noted that they submitted all county members as alternates, which is not appropriate. D6 meeting is scheduled for March 2, will be inviting non-officers to join to try and get the district together. Drafted a fundraising letter with help from the chair. Local elections will be held in Buck Creek township,

and Lomax intends to run for the board. Chair asked if there were any other people who would be willing to run so that the LPIN can have the 2 candidates on the ballot necessary to get the voter lists.

D7 – Marion county attempted to have a convention last week but was unable to make quorum. Will be attempting to hold convention again just before business meeting at the state convention. She did note that at the attempted convention, they had several successful conversations with both AirBnB and AI groups who may partner with the LPIN with projects in the future, and encouraged others to look for those groups in their areas.

D8 – Vacant

D9 – Curran was under the weather and could not speak, but had submitted a written report. Floyd County held their convention as scheduled. Grace Martin officially resigned as treasurer to be replaced by Reid Kern, Morgan Beatty was added as Vice Chair. The affiliate made small tweaks to their bylaws. Lawrence County's convention was rescheduled to March 16 due to lack of quorum on original date.

VIII. Teams

- a. LPIN 2025 Convention – Was presented in writing by Shillings. All deposits are paid, final check will go to venue after the event, only remaining expenses are marketing materials, banners, etc. Full schedule is available, pizza at LumberjAxe in Plainfield on Friday night, listen/learn tracks on Saturday morning, business meeting Saturday afternoon, dinner and afterparty Saturday night, and '94 Society Breakfast followed by SCC Meeting on Sunday morning. Potential presenters include Gun Owners of America, Wild Eyes and Ladies of Liberty.

IX. Unfinished Business

- a. Legal Updates – Ballot access case was going to Supreme Court, paperwork was filed on time, but a mistake happened and it was not entered correctly at the court, so the judge insisted it was not filed on time. LPIN is asking for it to be re-examined, but it will not happen until summer session.

X. New Business and Announcements

- a. Vice Chair Vacancy – Several SCC members and LPIN members expressed the preference not to fill the vacancy and just wait until the state convention. Chair would prefer to have it filled so that he had help leading up to the convention, but will honor the wishes of those to whom he spoke. Lundy asked if officer candidates had been announced, chair noted that they are on the website.
- b. National Data Update - Chair finally got a list of national members from the LNC, though it was not correct as he could see several members that were not included. He is working with them to correct the issues and encouraged that progress is being made.

- c. Called Conventions by the state chair – Chair will be sending out notices to call annual conventions for Henry County, Tippecanoe County, and District 8. Also noted that since D2 has elected Tim Cotton as their new District rep, he will be recommending Liz Coquillard to be the Outreach Director for the LPIN. Chair asked for any other counties that are affiliated but not very active and may need the chair to call a convention for them. Counties mentioned were Marshall, Wells, DeKalb, Shelby, Wayne. Chair noted that if the LPIN does not hear from a county, the LPIN should consider calling a convention and dissolving the county party if no quorum can ever be met.

XI. Adjournment

- a. Shillings moved to adjourn, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 11:41am.

Respectfully submitted,
Clayton Soultz
Secretary, LPIN

