

Libertarian Party of Indiana
State Central Committee Meeting
March 30, 2025

Chair: Evan McMahon

Recordkeeper: Stephanie Dasbach (Secretary)

Location: CRG Event Center – Plainfield, Indiana

Voting Attendees: James Sceniak (Vice Chair), Ronnie Dickson (Treasurer), Chuck Hagerman (Tech), John Schick (D1), Tim Cotton (D2), Kristi Avery (D3), Danny Lundy (D4), Lauri Shillings (D5), Luke Lomax (D6), Elizabeth Glass (D7), Micah Haynes (D8), Kelley Curran (D9)

Non-Voting Members Present:

Members Absent:

Guests Present: Clayton Soultz (Grant Co), Russell Brooksbank (Clark Co), Margie Phipps (Clark Co), Greg Hertzch (Clark Co), Joe Hauptmann (Hendrick Co), Chuck Hagerman (Marion Co), Dustin Coffell (St. Charles Co, MO), Michael Schultheiss (Hamilton Co), Andrew Smith (Hancock Co), Liz Coquillard (Elkhart Co)

Meeting held at CRG Event Center in Plainfield.

I. Call to Order 11:39am – Chair, Evan McMahon

II. Roll Call

- a. 13 voting members present, 11 guests.

III. Adoption of Agenda*

- a. Amended
 - a. Appoint of Directors:
 - i. Comms/Tech/outreach time increase from two minutes to 10 minutes each.
 - ii. Total in this section is now 34 minutes allotted.
 - b. Appointment of Teams:
 - i. Branding/Comms Social/Gaming increasing each up to 10 minutes.
 - ii. Total in this section is now 30 minutes allotted.
 - iii. Remove section D from Appointment of Teams.
 - c. New Business:
 - i. Adding a section G, disaffiliation of Dekalb County.
 - 1. Allot an additional 5 minutes.

- b. There were no objections to the amended agenda. Thus adopted unanimously.

IV. Time keeper: Ms. Glass, D7

IV. Officer Introductions:

- a. Chair – McMahon
- b. Vice Chair – Sceniak.
- c. Treasurer – Dickson.
 - a. Priority to get plugged in and email communications and proper log ins.
 - b. Providing team with projections and membership drives and bank account info.
- d. Secretary – Dasbach

VI: District Introductions

- a. D1: Mr. Schick: In and around party for years. From Chesterton.
- b. D2: Mr. Cotton. 3 year member. Reaffiliate St. Joe co. Looks forward to working with everyone.
- c. D3: Ms. Avery. Member since 2012. Lives in Allen Co and looks forward to working with the teams
- d. D4: Mr. Lundy. 4 year member. Third term and looks forward to working with everyone.
- e. D5: Ms. Schillings. SCC for 3 terms. Convention committee since 2021.
- f. D6: Mr. Lomax. Hancock Co. Treasurer of Hancock Co. First time elected. Looks forward to continuing toward progress
- g. D7: Ms. Glass. 2nd term on board. Libertarian since 2023. Has run for office twice.
- h. D8: Mr. Haynes. Enjoys planning and running events. Growing the community.
 - i. Chair McMahon – Haynes procured branded podium for LPIN.
- i. D8: Ms. Curran: Beginning first full term. Joined LP in 2001. IUS college Libertarian. Chicken Caucus member.

I. Appointment of Directors:

- a. Communications – Chair McMahon recommends for nomination Andrew Smith who has served this position.
 - i. Moved by Chair McMahon and seconded by Mr. Lomax
 - ii. Mr. Smith accepts the nomination
 - 1. Voted in unanimously
- b. Tech Director – Chair McMahon nominates Michael Schulthess
 - i. Has keys to all our tech stuff
 - ii. Many items need to be transferred, API and Civi work

- iii. Chuck Hagerman will be managing Civi work alongside Mr. Schultheiss
 - iv. Moved by Chair McMahon and seconded by Ms. Shillings
 - v. Mr. Schultheiss has been serving the state party since 2008 and looks forward to continuing.
 - 1. Voted in unanimously
- c. Political director – holding out on nomination until next meeting
- d. Membership –
 - i. Chair McMahon and Vice Chair Sceniak will work together to get Membership up to date
 - ii. Mr. Dickson will work on making phone calls to membership to get things caught up
 - iii. Membership cards will be processed on a weekly basis
 - iv. Last week (3/22/2025 100s of cards were processed)
- e. Outreach/Community –
 - i. Not the same as creating events. This will be building bridges with like minded communities.
 - ii. Chair McMahon nominated Elizabeth Coquillard.
 - 1. Unanimously voted in as Outreach Director

II. Appointment of Committees

- a. Convention –
 - i. Ex officio member is Vice Chair Sceniak
 - ii. Ms. Coquillard has volunteered
 - iii. Chair McMahon has volunteered, but not as chair of the committee.
 - iv. Ms. Avery (D3)
 - v. Moved by Ms. Glass, Seconded Mr. Cotton
 - 1. Passed
- b. Bylaws:
 - i. Secretary Dasbach is Ex Officio member
 - ii. Chair McMahon nominates the following:
 - 1. Clayton Soultz
 - 2. Russell Brooksbank
 - 3. Greg Hertch
 - 4. John Schick
 - iii. Moved by Mr. Lomax, Seconded by Mr. Lundy
 - 1. Passed
 - iv. Bylaws committee will report on good and bad bylaws and ordering them for presentation at convention.
 - v. Mr. Soultz: bylaws committee needs to be headed by an officer, not necessarily the secretary.
 - 1. Point of clarification. Agreed to leave head of bylaws to secretary.

III. Appointment of Teams:

- a. Branded Materials:
 - i. This is a team put together to design and source printed branded materials
 - 1. Pop up banners, kit in box, canopy tents, etc
 - ii. Chair McMahon has recommended the following individuals:
 - 1. Chair McMahon
 - 2. Mr. Lomax
 - 3. Ms. Shillings
 - 4. Mr. Smith
 - 5. Ms. Glass
 - 6. Moved by Ms. Avery and Seconded by Ms. Curran
 - a. passed
- b. Comms/Social:
 - i. Social media posts, media - Team
 - 1. Mr. Smith as comms director
 - 2. Chair McMahon
 - 3. Ms. Avery
 - 4. Ms. Coquillard – Outreach
 - 5. Moved by Ms. Glass, Seconded by Mr. Cotton
 - a. passed
- c. Gaming:
 - i. We haven't had a gaming event for a couple of years, but the Chair McMahon would like to use our license to hold some gaming events in the districts.
 - ii. Need to raise funds for 2026.
 - iii. Team recommendation:
 - 1. Chair McMahon – Head of team
 - 2. Mr. Cotton
 - 3. Mr. Lomax
 - 4. Mr. Haynes
 - 5. Ryan Day – Recommended by Ms. Avery
 - 6. Moved by Ms. Shillings, Seconded by Ms. Avery
 - a. passed

IV. New Business:

- a. Goals/Priorities
 - i. Build up and support county parties. Provide support and education to support our candidates
 - ii. SOS is most important election due to ballot access
 - 1. If we lose access, we'll have to collect signatures.
 - 2. We need to put everything into this election

3. Chair McMahon wants LPIN SOS candidate to receive over 10% of the vote to sue the state
 - a. If achieved:
 - i. bylaws need to be redone
 - ii. Delegates selected
 - iii. Unable to choose who goes to national
 - iv. State Election division board
 - v. County election board assignment
 - vi. Minor party to major-minor party status
4. Mr. Dickson inquired about ballot access.
 - a. Chair McMahon clarified that we need 2% to maintain ballot access
5. Chair McMahon has a file in Google Drive that will provide steps to move forward following SOS 10% win.
 - a. Created when Jeff Maurer was running for SOS in 2022
 - b. Mr. Lomax requested permission to access file
- iii. Chair McMahon asks each district representative:
 1. What do your counties and districts need?
 2. Homework: Each District Chair to bring back priorities for counties and districts to next meeting.
- iv. We have 490 members, 460ish memberships
 1. Chairs goal is 1500 dues paying members
 2. Top 5 before October 2025
 3. 10% of membership nationally and have own regions
 4. 14% would provide own region
 5. 490 members \$10 monthly donors or add an additional \$10 monthly donation
 - a. Would add ~\$5000 month
 - b. Additional income would be game-changing
 - c. County chairs and district reps will need to call and reach out to membership and interested parties to raise additional funds
 6. California currently has the largest delegation
 - a. Chair wants Indiana to have a caravan for 2026 National Convention
 7. Mr. Cotton:
 - a. Do we have any training or tool set to build fundraising team, formalize process, recipe to create teams in county and districts to push for fundraising?
 - b. Feels the biggest speed bump is not having the funds for the events wanted to participate in.

- c. Chair McMahon's response: candidate guide book has some information. Classes need to be recorded.
 - i. Elizabeth Glass volunteered to assist in editing videos when ready.

8. Mr. Lundy:

- a. What perks are available for being in top 5?
 - i. Chair McMahon's response: more seats for national convention delegation. Being top 10, placement in platform committee. Top 5, bylaws committee. Top 5, largest representation in national membership. Gives Indiana a huge voice by being in top 5%.
 - ii. Presidential vote totals also play in to these perks, but over shadowed by states like CA.
 - iii. We were number 1 membership per capita. Smallest state with largest membership.

9. Mr. Schick:

- a. What's being counted towards this 5%?
 - i. Chair McMahon's response: Dues-paying members and signed pledge. You are a bylaws sustaining member.
 - ii. National is under scrutiny for what the actual membership count is.

10. Mr. Cotton:

- a. Data verification – cleaned membership data last year. A gap in data from where memberships have moved or expired.
- b. Data can be updated by District or County Chair through Civi.
- c. Mr. Lundy's response: We have tried to verify data through SOS and Civi
- d. Chair McMahon's response: getting API from data broker to import directly to Civi
 - i. Will take about 4 months to build out and use with voter registration
 - ii. There is a way to do mail forwarding through USPS but unsure cost.
 - 1. Don't want to waste time or funds if there are major lapse.
 - iii. Mr. Lundy's response: If you are a chair and know a member moved and know address...just change it and update and communicate to member.

b. State Fair

- i. This will be a motion
- ii. If we do not get a booth this year and staff it we will not be able to get one in 2026
- iii. Runs August 1-17, 9am-9pm inside
- iv. Closed on Mondays
- v. 9a-10p outside
- vi. Booth...\$2300 outside
- vii. Booth...\$2700 inside
- viii. Insurance \$300 payout and security
- ix. Each person will need to purchase their own tickets
- x. Party can buy bulk tickets
- xi. Printed and shareable parking passes

1. Motion by Chair:

- a. Authorize chair to secure indoor or outdoor booth at the Indiana State Fair in 2025 up to \$3000
 - i. Moved by Ms. Curran, seconded by Ms. Glass
 1. Passed unanimously
 2. The entire board with the exception of Mr. Cotton, Mr. Smith, Mr. Schick, and Ms. Curran have agreed to work at least one shift.
 3. Chair McMahon, Mr. Lomax, and Mr. Dickson have volunteered for multiple shifts
 4. Guests Joe Hauptmann, Margie Phipps, Russell Brooksbrank, and Chuck Hagerman have agreed to work one shift

2. Discussion:

- a. Mr. Lundy – Is it air conditioned?
 - i. Yes
- b. Mr. Schick – Anyone have experience and how many people needed to staff?
 - i. Yes
 - ii. At least 2 at booth at any given time
 1. Every shift, every day
 - iii. Questions about staffing and how many shifts.
 1. Maybe need 25-30 people to cover all shifts.
 2. Chair McMahon: 2010 there were about 5-6 people always in booth.
 - a. Rupert Boneham was there.
 3. Chair McMahon has agreed to work multiple shifts

- iv. Chair McMahon: How many people are willing to work at least one day?
 - 1. 17 counted and willing to volunteer.
 - 2. 15 days to cover.
 - 3. Chair McMahon believes that this board and other outside volunteers can manage this event.
- v. Ms. Shillings:
 - 1. Pricing is already up and cost is under \$20 if family and friends also want to attend

- c. Vice Chair Sceniak:
 - i. Who is responsible for staffing?
 - 1. The Board would be responsible. We will have a sign-up sheet and volunteers.
 - 2. Each board member would be required to work a shift.
 - 3. Alyssa Salgado offered a camper
 - ii. Volunteers can be flaky. Can we consider paying staff?
 - 1. Chair McMahon believes there are some liabilities.
 - 2. Chair McMahon, maybe a donor could put funds toward a lifetime membership or a comped convention ticket.

MEETING RECESS: 1:04PM (10minutes)

MEETING RESUMED: 1:19pm

- All members are present
- c. LNC Meetings:
 - i. We are very effective when we are present and in person at board meetings.
 - ii. When communicating digitally, the issue is already over before communication is recognized by our reps.
 - 1. Chicago venue was referenced by Chair McMahon where had he not been there. An additional \$160K could have been charged.
 - iii. Next LNC meeting is in May in Grand Rapids.
 - iv. Chair McMahon believes the SCC should send an officer to every LNC meeting.

1. Chair McMahon and Ms. Avery intend to attend the next LNC meeting in May.
- v. The SCC needs to approve each trip and approve an addition to the budget.
- vi. Ms. Dasbach asked about approving an estimated line item because we don't know exactly where or how much each trip would cost.
 1. Mr. Lundy suggests voting on a case-by-case basis depending on location and cost.
 - a. Chair McMahon concurred.
- vii. Ms. Shillings: information is important and asked Chair McMahon if we believed we were getting the correct information from our regional rep. that was denied.
- viii. Ms. Curran: asked about adding a motion for the May 17th LNC meeting.
 1. Motion to authorize Ms. Avery and Chair McMahon to Grand Rapids Michigan up to \$500
 - a. Moved by Ms. Curran, Seconded by Mr. Smith
 - b. Passed by voice vote
 - c. Ms. Glass requested if another board member could attend if they pay their own way?
 - i. Members are free attend on their own time and dime.
 - d. \$164.02 per night hotel after taxes.

MEETING RECESS 1:31PM (20 minues)

- Return by 1:52pm

MEETING RESUMED 1:53pm

- d. BUDGET:
 - i. February and March are accurate for Lifetime memberships
 - ii. Convention sponsor and ticket revenue is correct
 - iii. Convention report is lower than actual
 1. Does not include auction items or last minute ticket sales
 2. Will not include candidate funds from dinner as not to be used by party but candidates.
 - iv. Point of fact:
 1. Chair McMahon– Asking Mr. Lomax about district-allocated funds. Clarified to Mr. Lomax for the district
 - v. Legal fund zeroed out. We don't anticipate any legal matters this year.
 1. Only pass a budget if we anticipate legal matters.
 - vi. Question by Vice Chair Sceniak:

1. Lifetime membership funds go to general funds and not separate account.
- vii. What is the price for Quickbooks:
1. Mr. Schultheiss recommends \$1100 for 2025
 - a. \$1069.20 last year
 - b. Move payment date from April to September
- viii. Google
1. 2025 April \$190/month to \$204 (based on annual subscription)
 - a. To add outreach to account
- ix. Agility PR:
1. \$5000 to \$2500
- x. Ledge tracker (Chair McMahon reviewing):
1. Scheduled bills and legislative decisions.
 2. Track and score all bills in legislature
 - a. AI Analysis of bill
 3. Can give it topics and flag for our attention including changes and amendments to bills. Will include Libertarians and other minor parties.
 4. \$1000/year or \$100 month
 5. Will be on our website and allow others to see our view points on these items
 6. Working on building out UI that could potentially tie in to google and create call to action.
 7. Pulls who legislators are but unable to manually add legislators.
 8. Want to potentially add this to local areas. Will open conversation.
- xi. CRM:
1. \$291 to Mr. Smith for the work he does or issues with CRM.
 - a. Includes \$3 month Dream Host
 - b. Liquid web, where the main website and CRM are hosted \$38
 - i. June subscription comes up
 - ii. Server could be down graded potentially. Will need to revisit after testing production and server hosting.
- xii. District Representative Revenue:
1. Amend budget to reduce from \$1800 to zero out and revisit for 2026
 - a. Request to amend submitted by Ms. Shillings
 - b. Membership is lessening, and counties are disaffiliating; this amount seems unrealistic
 - i. Backed by Ms. Coquillard
 2. Mr. Schick asked if this has been tracked

- a. Chair McMahon: No because it's on the District chairs and group to track
- 3. Mr. Cotton: still looking for training for this type of fundraising.
 - a. Chair McMahon: video and education/training resources are forthcoming.
- 4. Vice Chair Sceniak:
 - a. Supports the amendment because these goals have not yet been realized.
- 5. Mr. Lundy:
 - a. \$140K budget
 - b. The \$60K is not scheduled to be spent.
- 6. Chair McMahon:
 - a. This is mostly an accountability tracker.
 - b. While it can be amended/removed, he does expect everyone to make donor calls this year.
 - c. We have to think as an organization. Fundraise.
- 7. Ms. Shillings:
 - a. Open to leaving line item on budget as long as Chair McMahon provides support and training to support these fundraising efforts.
 - b. Ms. Coquillard: wants the training and education to create materials/videos for the board to put the tools in place for anyone to come in, watch, and learn how to do.
 - i. Let's pick a date and create these training materials
- 8. Amendment dropped – on the basis that the chair will provide training.
- 9. Budget approval:
 - a. Motion to approve
 - i. Motion by Mr. Lundy, seconded by Ms. Glass*
 - ii. Mr. Schultheiss amendment to Quickbooks \$1100 a year and changing the date from April to September.
 - 1. Motioned by Mr. Schutlheiss and Seconded by Mr. Smith.
 - 2. Motion Passed
 - iii. Mr. Schultheiss amendment Google price increase \$192 to \$204 beginning in April 2025
 - 1. Motioned by Mr. Schultheiss and Seconded by Ms. Shillings.
 - 2. Motion Passed
 - iv. Mr. Schultheiss moved to amend insurance to increase to \$1100

1. Motioned by Mr. Schultheiss, seconded by Ms. Curran
 2. Motion Passed.
10. Vice Chair Sceniak: Motion to move Lifetime Members fund to go into separate fund.
 - i. Challenged by Chair McMahon as per bylaws.
 - ii. Originally proposed and adopted by Greg Noland. Funds eventually go to general funds, but this is a legacy fund that doesn't automatically go to general fund.
 - iii. Motion retracted by Sceniak.
11. Ms. Shillings: are we able to change standing rule during SCC meeting.
 - a. Yes, but after business is done.
12. Ms. Glass: do we have an emergency fund or savings account?
 - a. Chair McMahon: no. We have an account for a legal fund, but no monies are being added this year.
13. Mr. Schultheiss:
 - a. Thinks budget is decent. Some expenses not line itemized. Questioned whether they should be under another line or miscellaneous.
 - i. Chair McMahon has recommended an amendment to add a line item.
 - b. Mr. Dickson recommended that maybe for expenses under \$500 may not need a line item.
 - i. Chair McMahon believes that it should be discussed and motions to add a line item for \$500 for domain names in Technology, in March and carries through the rest of the year.
 - ii. Mr. Schulthess motions \$500 for domain names in Technology, in March and carries through the rest of the year and seconded by Dickson
 1. Passed
14. Ms. Avery:
 - a. How close were we to last year's budget?
 - i. Not...40% off
15. Mr. Lomax:
 - a. LMS (Learning Module System) under workshop technology
 - i. Master class examples for campaign finance or branding, etc.
 - ii. How to be a treasurer

- iii. LPIN can access free
 - iv. Not used, but paid for over the last two years
 - v. Mr. Lundy wants to know what's needed to launch this
 - 1. Chair McMahon said needs priorities brought to him from the SCC board.
 - 2. Ms. Coquillard has requested a list of priorities to next months SCC meeting
 - b. BUDGET time increased by 10 minutes
 - c. VOTE to approve:
 - i. Passed
16. Ms. Shillings motioned to approve amending the agenda to include a discussion on group training.
- a. Passed by voice
 - b. Chair McMahon: No Sundays or after 8:30PM
 - c. Ms. Glass: Requests Mondays and Thursdays
 - d. Every other week and alternate Monday and Thursdays
 - e. Ms. Shillings requested adding training to SCC meeting days.
 - i. Chair has requested not to do this
 - f. Secretary Dasbach asked for clarification for how many trainings per month
 - i. We will commit to twice a month
 - ii. First Mondays and Third Thursdays at 6:30pm for 1 hour.
 - g. Chair McMahon will record these in office. However, the training will be available over zoom.
 - i. Please call ahead if you plan to join training in office.
 - h. Side note: board has access to office and Switchboard community workspace.
 - i. Use Proximity App to access Switchboard
 - ii. New people will need to gain access.
 - i. Motion to amend agenda to amend the standing rules by 10 minutes – Ms. Shillings:
 - i. Motioned by Ms. Shilling, Seconded by Ms. Curran
 - ii. Motion is to strike Chapter 6, section 2 in its entirety.
 - iii. Motioned by Ms. Shillings, Seconded by Vice Chair Sceniak
 - iv. Ms Shillings believes it is an undue burden on the treasurer and membership

- v. Mr. Dickson agrees and believes it is something that can be added in the future.
- vi. Roll Call Vote:
- vii. Passed 14-1
- viii. Secretary to update document with Chair's guidance.

e. SCC Schedule:

- i. In Person at 801 Shelby at switchboard @12:30pm
- ii. Virtual via Zoom beginning at 10:30am
- iii. Proposed:
 - 1. April 26 remote at 10:30am
 - 2. May 31 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - 3. June 28 remote at 10:30am
 - 4. July 19 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - 5. August 30 remote at 10:30am
 - 6. 27 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - 7. October 25 remote at 10:30am
 - 8. November 22 remote at 10:30am
 - 9. December 13 in-person 2:00pm at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm with holiday party following
 - 10. January 24 remote at 10:30am
 - 11. February 7 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - 12. Special pre-pre convention remote meeting possible
 - 13. Chair McMahon motioned for the SCC to meet at the following dates and times:
 - a. April 26 remote at 10:30am
 - b. May 31 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - c. June 28 remote at 10:30am
 - d. July 19 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - e. August 30 remote at 10:30am
 - f. September 27 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
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 - h. November 22 remote at 10:30am
 - i. December 13 in-person 2:00pm at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm with holiday party following
 - j. January 24 remote at 10:30am
 - k. February 7 in-person at LPIN adjacent HQ 12:15pm
 - l. Motioned by Chair McMahon, seconded by Ms. Curran
 - m. Schedule adopted
 - 14. Chair McMahon will send out calendar invites today 3/30/2025 and add them to the website at a later date.

15. Service Saturday

- a. D9: Ms. Curran requests September
- b. D8: Mr. Haynes requests October
- c. D7: Ms. Glass requests December
- d. D6: Mr. Lomax requests July
- e. D5: Ms. Shillings requests May
- f. D4: Mr. Lundy requests June
- g. D3: Ms. Avery requests November
- h. D2: Mr. Cotton requests January
- i. D1: Mr. Schick requests August

16. DeKalb Co disaffiliation

- a. Shut down account and paperwork has been sent to the LPIN
- b. Motion to disaffiliate by Ms. Avery, seconded by Ms. Curran
 - i. Passed

V. Announcements

- a. Mr. Schultheiss has all board members loaded in and all should have access to their emails.

VI. Adjourned 3:25pm

- a. Motioned by Mr. Lomax, Seconded by Ms. Glass

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Dasbach

Secretary, State Central Committee

Libertarian Party of Indiana

<Attachment Included: Roll Call Votes 3/30/2025>

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KXLEGsthJ-knEI7BS42qX4BudMVd8DG6/edit?usp=drive_link&oid=108669245028906923676&rtpof=true&sd=true