

Maricopa County Libertarian Party – Minutes of September 8, 2021

County Committee Meeting

The Maricopa County Libertarian Party met in person at Vermillion Studios Peer Space at 124 W. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, 85003 on September 8, 2021, for county-wide meeting and election. Sixteen PCMs were present.

I. Call to Order, Credentials Report

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. Ten Maricopa County PCMs were present at PeerSpace and six were present electronically via Zoom.

A motion was made by the Chair to suspend the rules to recognize as present and voting the PCMs whose applications were duly submitted to the County Board of Supervisors, but who had not yet received certificates in the mail. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Adoption of Agenda

The Agenda was adopted without objection.

III. Secretary's Report

Secretary E. Goldberg presented minutes of the August 18, 2021 Zoom meeting, and August 23, 2021 special electronic vote for appropriation related to contract for the meeting space. The minutes were adopted by acclaim.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Robert Allen Pepiton presented the Treasurer's report. August closing bank balance was \$3102.59. \$59.98 in deposits had been received. \$283.11 in expenses was carried forward from Juneteenth, leaving a balance of \$2869.36.

V. Election of 1st Vice Chair

Previously declared candidates for the 1st Vice Chair position were Scott Ullery, Dominic Santos, and NOTA; there were no nominations from the floor.

Candidates Ullery and Santos were given the opportunity to speak to his candidacy for 3 to 5 minutes.

Scott Ullery shared that he had retired in Arizona after a career in city government in cities including Rockville, Maryland, Santa Barbara, California, and Tucson, Arizona. He had belonged to the LP in decades past and become interested again following Ron Paul's 2012 presidential run.

Dominic Santos shared that he works as an attorney for a real estate private equity firm in Queen Creek. He previously worked as a deputy county attorney for Maricopa County's BOS. He is relatively new to the LP, not a national member yet. He has relationships with legislators and believes that there is opportunity to flip certain legislative seats.

(There was no speaker on behalf of NOTA).

Card ballots were distributed in the room, and an email ballot was transmitted to the PCMs attending remotely via Zoom.

The vote was tallied, with results as follows:

Scott Ullery:	9
Dominic Santos:	6
NOTA:	1

Scott Ullery was elected 1st Vice Chair.

VI. Election of 2nd Vice Chair

Charles Ross was previously nominated for 2nd Vice Chair. Dominic Santos accepted nomination to run for 2nd Vice Chair as well. Nominations were closed, and each candidate was given 3-5 minutes to speak to his candidacy.

Charles Ross shared that he is presently 19 years old. He regards the party as a serious movement, not a social club. He was a deputy director for the Jorgenson for President campaign and founder of Young Libertarians of Arizona. His goal is to dismantle laws that restrict us and noted that he coalitions with anarchists to paleolibertarians.

Dominic Santos spoke.

Communications Director Lauren Snyder spoke on behalf of Charles Ross.

(There was no speaker on behalf of NOTA).

Card ballots were distributed in the room, and an email ballot was transmitted to the PCMs attending remotely via Zoom.

The vote was tallied, with results as follows:

Charles Ross:	11
Dominic Santos:	5
NOTA:	0

Charles Ross was elected 2nd Vice Chair.

VII. New Business

Communications Director Lauren Snyder announced the 09/11 “End the Damn Wars” rally and memorial scheduled for El Dorado Park in Scottsdale, noon to 3:00 on September 11. In addition to a number of AZLP member and candidate speakers, Voter Choice Arizona and the Green Party were expected to participate.

Emily Goldberg asked MCLP members who have not become members of LP US to do so before the national party’s ‘census date’ for delegate allocation at the end of October.

Brandon Slayton mentioned that the County Committee would have an additional in-person meeting in December to elect additional state committee members to represent MCLP at the State Committee meeting in Tucson in January.

Jeff Metrick, Congressional Candidate for CD-6, spoke briefly about his campaign and his message.

VIII. Old Business

(None).

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made (Bill H.) and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily S. Goldberg, Secretary