

Maricopa County Libertarian Party
Minutes of December 12 2020 Biennial Organizing Meeting

The Maricopa County Libertarian Party met at Aunt Chilada's Restaurant in Phoenix on December 12, 2020 for its Biennial Organizing Meeting and luncheon. Twenty-seven members and five guests attended. The proceedings were as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 1:28 p.m.

I. Credentials Report:

Of seventeen precinct committeemen, nine were present and voting: Bill Hopkins, Robert Allen Pepiton, Emily Goldberg, Barry Hess, Jacob Pritchett, Brandon Slayton, John Rojas, Nicholas Maxwell, Marge Tendler.

II. Adoption of Agenda

The meeting agenda was adopted as written.

III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Robert Allen Pepiton presented the Treasurer's Report. The previous ending balance was \$2827.50; \$700.00 had been received in donations, \$300.00 had gone out in expenditures; \$525.58 was anticipated in expenditure for today's meeting (before the offset of donations).

A motion was made, and seconded, to accept the Treasurer's report and the report was accepted.

IV. Secretary's Report

Secretary Emily Goldberg presented the Secretary's report of the November 9, 2020 MCLP monthly meeting. A motion was made, and seconded, to accept the Treasurer's report and the report was accepted.

V. Officer Elections

Chair Brandon Slayton outlined the process to be followed for election of MCLP officers for 2021-2022, and that officer nominations and elections would begin with the Chair, followed by First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary, followed by representatives from MCLP to the State Committee.

A clarification was offered by Nicholas Maxwell that nominations must be made from amongst the PCMs present at the meeting.

Brandon Slayton was nominated (R. Pepiton) to continue to serve as Chairman. By acclamation, Brandon Slayton was reelected.

(It was noted that Chad Wolett did not wish to stand for reelection as 1st Vice Chair.)

Nicholas Maxwell was nominated to serve as First Vice Chair (J. Rojas). By acclamation, Nicholas Maxwell was elected.

John Rojas was nominated to serve as Second Vice Chair (E. Goldberg). By acclamation, John Rojas was elected.

Emily Goldberg was nominated to serve as Secretary (R. Pepiton). By acclamation, Emily Goldberg was elected.

Robert Allen Pepiton was nominated to serve as Treasurer (B. Slayton). By acclamation, Robert Allen Pepiton was elected.

VI. Bylaw Revisions

Three proposed Bylaw revisions were offered for consideration and approval.

- The proposed revision to Article II, Section 1, which created a mechanism for addressing vacancy in MCLP's delegation to the State Committee, passed as proposed.
- The proposed revision to Article II, Section 5, authorizing electronic mail balloting, was passed with a friendly amendment (Marge Tandler), noting that electronic ballots would be subject to authentication measures deemed necessary by the Secretary.
- The proposed replacement of Article III, which described meeting procedures, and created authority for virtual meetings, passed as proposed.

VII. State Committee Elections

Chair Brandon Slayton noted that five representatives would be elected from MCLP to the AZLP's State Committee; the Chair serves on the State Committee ex-officio.

Candidates for the State Committee were invited to come to the microphone to introduce themselves.

Ultimately five candidates presented, and were elected by acclamation: Robert Allen Pepiton, Emily Goldberg, Bill Hopkins, Jacob Pritchett, and Barry Hess.

VIII. New Business/Candidates/Announcements

Jeff Metrick introduced himself as a potential candidate for Congress from CD1.

Kim Ruff presented background for her candidacy for Mine Inspector.

Brandon Slayton announced the upcoming AZLP State Convention scheduled to take place at Aunt Chilada's on January 23 in the large garden.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily S. Goldberg, Secretary