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I. Conduct Within the Meeting Room
1. Except for those devices necessary for the conduct of the business meeting by the Board and Convention Committees and Officials, all electronic devices shall be silenced at all times while in the meeting room.
2. For admission to the Delegate seating area while the business meeting is in session, Delegates shall be required to wear the badge issued by the Credentials Committee upon registration.
3. Only Board Members, Convention Committee Members and Convention Officials shall sit at or stand behind the tables at the front of the Delegate seating area.
4. No person shall disturb materials placed on a Delegate seat, except for the Delegate occupying the seat.

II. Organization of the Convention
1. The State Chair shall conduct the official organization of the Convention promptly at the time published in the Convention Schedule. The official organization shall proceed as follows:
   (a) The Credentials Committee shall report the number and the names of all Delegates registered as present with proper credentials. The list of names of the Delegates shall be posted or projected in lieu of being read, and the Delegates shall be afforded time to verify the completeness and accuracy of the list, whereupon the report shall be adopted by majority vote. Quorum shall be fixed at the next whole number greater than exactly half of the number reported by the Credentials Committee.
   (b) The Committee on Standing Rules shall report on the rules of the convention, which shall be adopted by two-thirds vote.
   (c) The Program Committee shall report on the agenda, which shall be adopted by majority vote.
2. The State Chair shall serve as the Convention Chair and, immediately upon concluding the official organization, shall appoint three Delegates to the Resolutions Committee and shall appoint Convention Officials which shall include Recording Secretary, Parliamentarian, Projectionist, Audio Technician, Sergeant-At-Arms and Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms.

III. Reports, Resolutions, and Announcements
1. Acceptable electronic formats shall include ASCII text (.txt), Comma Separated Values (.csv), Graphics interchange Format (.gif), Hyper-Text Markup Language (.htm, html, or .xhtml), Joint Photographic Experts Group (.jpe, .jpeg, or .jpg), Microsoft Excel 1997 or later (.xls or .xlsx), Microsoft PowerPoint 1997 or later (.ppt or .pptx), Microsoft Word 1997 or later (.doc or .docx), Open Office 2.0 or later (.ods or .odt), Portable Document Format (.pdf), Portable Network Graphics (.png), Rich Text Format (.rt), Scalable Vector Graphics (.svg), and Extensible Markup Language (.xml).
2. All reports and other material for the permanent record or printed proceedings shall be in an acceptable electronic format and shall be sent to the Projectionist and the Recording Secretary prior to presentation.
3. A resolution offered by an individual Delegate shall be in an acceptable electronic format or legibly printed and signed by the maker and the seconder and shall be sent directly to the table of the Resolutions Committee.
4. Resolutions shall be handled by the Resolutions Committee as follows:
   (a) All resolutions, except those proposed by the Board of Directors or by committees, and any recommendations made in reports of officers or committees of the convention that are not in the form of resolutions shall be referred without debate to the Resolutions Committee; resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors or by committees shall be presented by the Board or proposing committee directly to the Delegates. Amendments may be offered verbally, but the Chair or the Delegates may refer them to the Resolutions Committee if they become overly involved.
(b) Each Delegate who offers a resolution shall be given an opportunity to explain it to the Resolutions Committee if he so requests.
(c) The Resolutions Committee shall prepare suitable resolutions to carry into effect recommendations referred to it, and shall submit to the convention, with the Committee's own recommendation as to appropriate action, these and all other resolutions referred to the Committee, except questions which the Committee by a vote of two thirds of its members may decide not to report.
(d) The convention by a majority vote may suspend this Rule 4 and may immediately consider a question, or may order the Resolutions Committee to report a question at a certain time, even if the Committee has voted not to report it.
5. Notices for announcement to the convention shall be in an acceptable electronic format or legibly printed and signed by the person (or a proper representative of the persons) under whose authority the announcement is issued, and shall be sent to the desk of the Recording Secretary.

IV. Conduct of Debate
1. The Convention shall regulate the proceedings at all times so as not to outpace the Recording Secretary or Proctor.
2. No Delegate shall speak except upon recognition by the Convention Chair when standing at the floor microphone.
3. No Delegate shall speak in debate more than once on the same question on the same day, or longer than two minutes, without permission of the convention granted by a simple majority vote without debate.
4. A Delegate shall not substantially repeat what another Delegate has already said on the same motion. The Convention Chair shall warn a Delegate once, and shall revoke any remaining time upon the second offense.

V. Nominations and Balloting
1. The Campaigns Director shall include in his report the list of public offices for which there are multiple contenders and the list of public offices for which there are single contenders. The Convention Chair shall conduct the nominations in the order they appear in the Campaigns Director's report, followed by open nominations for other public offices.
2. For each public office for which there are multiple contenders, the total duration of candidate and nominating speeches for an individual contender shall be no longer than two minutes. A separate ballot for each office shall be projected and circulated to the Delegates, and the results of the balloting shall be announced before the next office is considered.
3. For each public office for which there is a single contender, the Convention Chair shall read and cause to be projected the contender's name, after which the Convention Chair shall call for any additional nominations for those offices. Additional nominations shall be added to the projected ballot and written in by the Delegates on the ballots they receive, and two minutes shall be allotted for speeches for each contender for only those offices that have become multiply contested. Single contenders are encouraged to sign up for time during the scheduled speaking periods. Voting shall proceed as prescribed above.

VI. Parliamentary Authority
1. The rules contained within Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 10th Edition shall govern the Convention in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the LPCD, these Convention Rules, and any special rules of order the Convention may adopt.
**Saturday, March 12th**
Call to Order and Organization
Credentials Committee Report
Declaration of Quorum
Committee on Standing Rules Report
Program Committee Report (Agenda)
Approval of 2015 Convention Minutes

**Board Reports**
- **State Chair** - Nathaniel Grabau
- **Regions Director** - Richard Longstreth
- **Outreach Director** - Stephanie Davis
- **Communications Director** - Caryn Ann Harlos
- **Legislative Director** - Michael Stapleton
- **Fundraising Director** - Clint Jones

- **Vice Chair** - Jay North
- **Campaigns Director** - Jack Woehr
- **Membership Director** - Alan Hayman
- **Records Director** - Michael Spalding
- **Treasurer** - John Flovin

Candidate Nominations
National Delegate Nominations
Platform
Adjourn to Sunday, March 13th

**Sunday, March 13th**
Call to Order
Constitution and Bylaws

**Elections of Officers**
- **State Chair** - partial term
- **Outreach Director** - full term
- **Communications Director** - partial term
- **Legislative Director** - full term
- **Fundraising Director** - full term

**Board Reports**
- **Regions Director** - partial term
- **Membership Director** - partial term
- **Records Director** - full term
- **Treasurer** - full term

LPCO Board Meeting
Adjournment Sin Die

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**Session One: Saturday, April 25th**

**Board Members Present:** Jeff Orrok, Amy Lunde-Provines, Lily Williams, James Jeannsonne, Mike Spalding, Michael Stapleton, and Clint Jones.

The meeting was called to order 3:01pm

There were 31 delegates, with 16 for a majority, and 22 for two thirds.

Jones moved and Jeannsonne seconded adopting the credentials report. The motion was adopted without objection.

Spalding moved and Bennett Rutledge seconded adopting the standing rules. The motion was adopted without objection.

Jones moved and Jeannsonne seconded to adopt the agenda with a half hour adjustment.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Jones moved and Williams seconded adoption of the minutes from the 2014 convention. The motion was adopted without objection.

**Board Reports**

Chair - Jeff Orrok - Orrok praised the many candidates who ran last year and noted that two candidates earned double-digit vote totals. He also thanked the many folks who have volunteered to help as board members. Lily Williams’ campaign and tireless testimony at the capitol were acknowledged. Orrok named and thanked all the candidates present. Orrok acknowledged the work of David Atken’s liberty lobbying group.

Legislative - Michael Stapleton - He has testified on several important bills, including Civil Forfeiture and Common Core. He feels we may succeed in making it a civil offense for a police officer to prevent videoing. The use of Medical Marijuana while on probation may also pass. Fortunately the Snow Tire bill was turned into a study. The DNA collection for misdemeanors offenses bill was defeated, and the Powdered Alcohol ban was stopped.
Communications - James Jeansonne - He acknowledge the contributions of Alan Hayman as the newsletter producer. Jeansonne reported that more than 50% of third graders opted out of the PARCC tests. He asked that people testify to their school boards against common core.

Membership - Lily Williams - She pointed out that the Colorado Libertarian Party grew by 28% last year. She also discussed some of the important liberty issues we need to work on. Williams asked those present to help grow the party. And she announced that she is running for State Chair tomorrow.

Fundraising - Clint Jones - Jones summarized his various fundraising initiatives. He asked for more contributions to help solicit donations from newly registered Libertarians.

The other board reports were included in the convention program.

New Business

Nathan Grabau asked why the website was down for 3 months. Jeansonne offered some explanations but said this was a serious failure. Grabau was concerned that this response was insufficient.

Norm Olsen advertised the upcoming LPEX (Libertarian Political Expo) in Las Vegas.

Committees

Constitution and Bylaws Committee - no report
Platform Committee - no report
Resolutions - none

Orrok adjourned the meeting at 3:41p.

Session Two: Sunday, April 26th

Board Members Present: Jeff Orrok, Amy Lunde-Provines, Lily Williams, James Jeansonne, Mike Spalding, Michael Stapleton, and Clint Jones.

The meeting was called to order at 2:04p.

Officer Elections

Jay North nominated Lily Williams for State Chair. She was elected with 22 votes vs 1 for NOTA.

Lily Williams nominated Jay North for Vice State Chair. He was elected with 19 votes vs 2 for NOTA.

Mike Spalding nominated Amy Lunde-Provines for Regions. She was elected with 27 votes.

Mike Spalding nominated Jack Woehr for Campaigns. He was elected with 26 votes.

No one was nominated for Outreach. Lily Williams advocated electing Blake Magnus in his absence. But Clint Jones pointed out that the board could appoint him later.

Lily Williams nominated Alan Hayman for Membership. He was elected with 27 votes.

Justin Borowski nominated Doug Lunde for Communications but he declined. Lily Williams nominated Nathan Grabau for Communications. James Jeansonne nominated himself for Communications. Grabau and Jeansonne each spoke on their behalf.

Caryn moved that we have a secret ballot, but the measure failed to garner the required 2/3's vote.

Nathan was elected with 27 votes vs 6 for Jeansonne and 1 vote for NOTA.

Clint Jones nominated Michael Stapleton for Legislative. He was elected with 28 votes.
Norm Olsen, regional representative for region one, addressed the assembly. He apprised us of the functions and territory covered by this position.

Lily Williams asked the new board members to commit to full service and she thanked Jeansonne and Orrok for their service. Mike Spalding elaborated on Jeff Orrok’s service.

Orrok thanked everyone for his or her contributions and encouraged us all to continue to work to achieve liberty in our lifetime. Alan Hayman issued a call for information for the party newsletter. Jones acknowledged the many candidates who ran and who are still with us during an off year. Orrok presented the approval voting demonstration results. Williams acknowledged the excellent work producing the convention by Lunde-Provinces.

Business meeting was adjourned at 2:42pm.

Some of the Annual Reports below, submitted by the Board of Directors, may be in summary. Full reports may be inspected upon request.

Chair – Nathan Grabau

2015 was a great year for the Libertarian Party of Colorado. One of our largest successes in 2015 was a dramatic expansion of our social media presence. When 2015 began, our Facebook page had about 3200 likes, and was reaching between 500 and 1500 people per day. Now, as this report is written, our facebook page has close to 11,000 likes and reaches anywhere from 15,000 to over 350,000 people each day. Though we are not going to run a record number of candidates this year, we have a number of incredibly strong candidates for local, state and federal offices. In 2015, thanks to the work of our Legislative Director, the Libertarian Party of Colorado was consistently represented at the State House on a great variety of issues. Due to the actions of our membership, volunteers, and leadership, 2016 is slated to be an incredible year for the Libertarian Party of Colorado. Please considering giving your time or treasure to help expand the impact of the Libertarian Party of Colorado. Freedom is a cause worth fighting for!

Vice-Chair – Jay North

This past year we have seen some changes to the State Party board and some changes in how business is being conducted. The Vice Chair duties are vague and overlap with the Region Director duties. This gave the Vice Chair the opportunity to explore the new duties of the position and to help other Directors where possible. While trying not to abuse other board Directors and providing help, the Vice Chair was able to institute the first database of the State Party that is hosted and supported. This new database process will now allow the State Party to keep better track of activists and members who are willing and able to provide volunteer support. The Vice Chair also provided insight into cost savings of tools and subscriptions the State Party uses while still maintaining the ability to use the tools.

*Time is money* and money buys time.

This upcoming year is important, not only for the elections, but also for the State Party to increase its presence. In order to do this, the State Party needs funding and volunteers. The only process the State Party gets funding is from contributions and volunteers. Please contribute money or time to the State Party to help reduce government and increase freedoms.

Regions – Richard Longstreth

Former Regions Director, Amy Lunde-Provinces, updated and completed the Development and Affiliate Group Handbook in June 2015. Richard Longstreth was appointed to this position following Amy Lunde-Provinces’ resignation in November of 2015. Ms. Lunde-Provinces had created a Facebook page for county contacts, development group, and affiliate group leaders to come together to discuss successes and failures that each county experiences as they work to grow the party. Mr. Longstreth is working to re-establish this forum as a useful tool to document ways to improve our recruitment practices and as an idea forum for improving our local groups. Each county now has a Facebook page which will be handed off to county contacts as they present themselves. The use of social media will be key to continuing recruitment and building interest in the Libertarian Party of Colorado.

Mr. Longstreth created a spreadsheet which is available upon request and which each member of the State Board and contact from each county has access which lists contact information for each county. Per LPCO’s Bylaws, the Regions Director attended some county Affiliate meetings in 2015 (Arapahoe and El Paso). Upcoming goals are to establish a county contact for each of Colorado’s 64 counties, to continue to offer support to current contacts and work with each region to grow development and affiliate groups, and to keep all documentation and records up to date in regards to the regions.