

2016 Executive Committee Minutes

2015-2016 Executive Committee Members:

- Brett H. Pojunis, Chairman
- Jason G. Smith, Vice-Chairman
- Tim Hagan, Treasurer
- VACANT, Secretary
- Candy Nickens, Southern Nevada Regional Representative
- David Colborne, Northern Nevada Regional Representative
- VACANT, At-Large Representative
- Jason Weinman, At-Large Representative
- Steve Brown, At-Large Representative

10 January 2016 – Motion to set the date, time, and location for the 2016 State Convention (Tim Hagan)

Motion: The 2016 convention be held at 10:00 am Saturday, March 5, at the office on Flamingo Road and teleconferenced to the Career College of Northern Nevada

Amendment 1: The 2016 State Convention be held on Saturday, March 12 at the office on Flamingo Road and teleconferenced to Dennis Hof's restaurant. (Tim Hagan)

Amendment 2: Append – The Executive Committee may move the location of the 2016 State Convention to accommodate larger numbers of attendees. (Brett H. Pojunis)

Motions with both amendments pass 7-0.

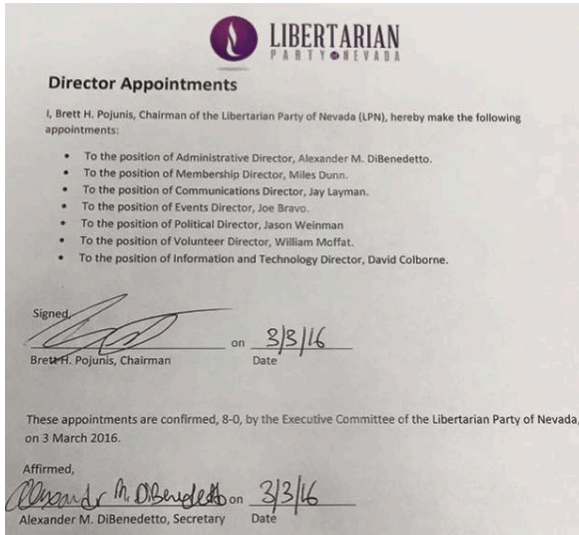
22 January 2016 – Motion to appoint Alexander DiBenedetto as Secretary-Pro Tempore (Jason Weinman)

Motion: Appoint Alexander DiBenedetto to the position of Secretary; approved 5-0, with 2 abstaining.





3 March 2016 – Motion to confirm Director Appointments (Brett H. Pojunis)



Motion: ; confirmed 8-0.

3 March 2016 – Motion to approve Proposal 100, Cost-Saving Proposal

Motion: PROP100; approved 6-1, with 1 abstaining.

8 March 2016 – Motion to approve Assemblyman John Moore as our candidate for AD8 (Jason Smith)

Motion: to allow John Moore, incumbent district 8 assemblyman to be able, with consent of this ExCom, to file for reelection with Nevada Secretary of State early, before convention. APs an incumbent, his filing will act as a potential barrier to other opposition from other parties seeing the office as unopposed from the incumbent. Approved 7-1.

10 March 2016 – Authorization to Spend \$100 on misc. items for the 2016 State Convention (Alexander DiBenedetto)

Motion: authorization to take (a maximum of) \$100 of the \$300 we have collected for those coming to the 2016 State Convention to spend on miscellaneous items for the State Convention. I am personally out of money, but there are still some things to acquire. This maximal expenditure will not lead to any deficits or overdrafts based on current, authorized expenditures through April. Approved 8-0.



12 March 2016 – 2016 State Convention Minutes

1:06p – Call to Order

1:10p – Credentials Report: 27 credentialed delegates – 5 from the North and 22 from the South – 14 is a majority.

1:14p – Motion to hear amended credentials report. Motion passes.

1:15p – Credentials Report: 42 credentialed delegates – 5 from the North and 36 from the South – 22 is a majority.

1:19p – Convention Rules adopted by the body (42 – 0 – 0).

1:20p – Motion to appoint Brett H. Pojunis Convention Chairman. Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).

1:20p – Motion to appoint Alexander DiBenedetto as Convention Secretary. Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).

1:21p – Motion to appoint David Colborne as Northern Convention Chairman. Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).

1:23p – Candidate Selection procedure adopted by the body (42 – 0 – 0).

1:24p – Convention Agenda adopted by the body (42 – 0 – 0).

1:25p – Motion to fill vacancies in the Executive Committee:

For Secretary, Alexander DiBenedetto.

For At-large Representative, Michael Astafan.

Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).

1:39p – All bylaws amendments (as submitted) are adopted by the body with the following proviso:

“The Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of Nevada, revised by the 2016 Libertarian Party of Nevada State Convention, shall be in effect and binding at the adjournment of this Convention. The unrevised Bylaws shall rule until such adjournment.”

Amendments pass with proviso. (40 – 2 – 0).

1:42p – Motion to approve the following candidates for Federal, State, and County Offices:

John Moore – Assembly District 8

Jonathan Friedrich – Senate District 3

Troy Ethan Warren – Assembly District 12

Kimberly Schjang – Senate District 7

Tim Hagan – Senate District 5

Dennis Hof – Assembly District 36

Steve Brown – Congressional District 4, Nevada

Lesley Chan – Senate District 11

Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).

1:45p – ExCom Vacancy Empowerment Motion:

“I move to empower the Libertarian Party of Nevada Executive Committee to approve candidates to fill vacancies until the close of candidate filing on March 18, 2016. The candidates will be approved by a simple majority of the Executive Committee.”

Motion passes. (42 – 0 – 0).



1:46p – National Delegates Selection:

1. Brett H. Pojunis
2. Jason Weinman
3. Tim Hagan
4. John Moore
5. Dennis Hof
6. Jay Layman
7. Alexander DiBenedetto
8. Brandon Ellyson
9. Candy Nickens
10. Jason Henslee
11. Jason Smith
12. Kim Schjang
13. Andrew Lea
14. Steve Brown

Alternates:

1. Michael Astafan
2. Zach Foster
3. Alicia Mattson
4. Susan Reed
5. William Moffat
6. Miles Dunn
7. Aaron Morton
8. Troy Warren
9. Elmer Lopez
10. Casia Lopez

Motion passes. Ayes have it.

2:05p – Recess

2:21p – Call to Order

2:27p – Begin Directors' Report on the State of the Party

3:00p – Begin Officers' & Regional Representatives' Reports

3:16p – Begin Caucus & Coalition Reports

3:32p – Motion to adjourn. Ayes have it.

2015-2016 New Executive Committee Members:

- Alexander DiBenedetto, Secretary
- Mike Astafan, At-Large Representative



13 March 2016 – Authorization to spend \$391 on audio equipment for the next 4 months. (Alexander DiBenedetto)

Motion: Authorization to spend \$100 of money for the next 4 months to purchase the remainder of the [audio] equipment. This equipment includes: a soundboard, 2 microphone cords, 2 microphone stands, and another microphone. The total cost of all the equipment was \$491. Of that \$491, we have paid \$100, the cost of one microphone. The next payment would be \$100 on April 12th. The final payment would be \$91 on July 12th. Approved 8-0, with 1 abstaining.

15 March 2016 – Motion to amend budget – line item “Nationbuilder” (Brett H. Pojunis, David Colborne)

Motion: Authorization to upgrade nationbuilder to the new version, which is \$259 a month. Approved 7-0, with 2 abstaining.

15 March 2016 – Motion to have an Executive Committee meeting (Alexander DiBenedetto)

Motion: Have an Executive Committee Meeting on Saturday, March 26th at 11 am, immediately after the Directors meeting from 9 to 11 am. Approved 7-0, with 2 abstaining.

15 March 2016 – Motion to have cots put into the LPNevada office (Candy Nickens)

Motion: Have cots put into the office for all ExCom, Directors, and Candidates until Nov 4th. Defeated 0 – 1, with 8 abstaining.

16 March 2016 – Motion to approve a candidate for partisan, public office post-convention (David Colborne)

Motion: Approve David Colborne as the LPNevada 2016 Candidate for Nevada State Senate District 15. Approved 6 – 1, with 2 abstaining.

17 March 2016 – Motion to approve a candidate for partisan, public office post-convention (David Colborne)

Motion: Approve Brandon Jacobs as the LPNevada 2016 Candidate for Nevada State Senate District 13. Approved 7 – 0, with 2 abstaining.

26 March 2016 – LPNevada Executive Committee Meeting Quarter 1



Attending: Brett H. Pojunis, Jason Smith, Tim Hagan, Alexander DiBenedetto, David Coborne, Candy Nickens, Jason Weinman, and Mike Astafan.

Meeting called to order at 11:07a.

Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Motion to Approve 2014 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Motion to Approve 2015 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes. (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Motion to Approve 2016 Quarter 1 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Discussion of upcoming national convention (Brett H. Pojunis).

Discussion of delegate training (Brett H. Pojunis).

Discussion of divisional structure (Brett H. Pojunis).

Motion to adjourn (Jason Smith). Motion passes.

Meeting adjourns at 1:20p.

5 April 2016 – Motion to approve \$150 for UNLV Job & Intern Fair (Alexander DiBenedetto)

Motion: Authorization to spend \$150, all privately funded, on the UNLV Job Fair on Wednesday, April 27th from 10AM to 2PM in the Student Union Ballroom on UNLV.

Approved 8 – 0, with 1 abstaining.

10 April 2016 – Motion to approve resolution “A clarification about the NAP” (Jason Weinman)

Motion: Approve resolution “A clarification about the NAP” – authors summary:

“Libertarianism is a political philosophy, characterized by support for limiting or otherwise reducing the size and scope of the government. The NAP is just one of many ethical philosophies which leads people to support that conclusion.”

Defeated 2 – 2, with 5 abstaining.

20 April 2016 – Motion to approve resolution “LPNevada supports Brett H. Pojunis for LNC Chairman” (Alexander DiBenedetto)





Motion: Approve resolution "LPNevada supports Brett H. Pojunis for LNC Chairman" – authors summary:
"Full support of Brett H. Pojunis to the position of Chairman of the Libertarian National Committee, and full support of Mr. Pojunis's strategic plan for the Libertarian Party of the United States."
Approved 7 – 0, with 2 abstaining.

23 May 2016 – Motion to have an Executive Committee Meeting (Alexander DiBenedetto)

Motion: Have an Executive Committee Meeting on Saturday, June 25th at 11 am, immediately after the Directors meeting from 9 to 11 am.
Approved 9-0.

17 June 2016 – Motion to add the Libertarian Party of Nevada to the Gary Johnson Joint Fundraising Agreement. (Brett Pojunis)

Motion: "I want to make a motion to approve adding the Libertarian Party of Nevada in the Joint Fundraising Agreement with the Gary Johnson Victory Fund." Fails 1 - 0 with 8 abstaining.

25 June 2016 – LPNevada Executive Committee Meeting Quarter 2

Attending: Brett H. Pojunis, Jason Smith, Tim Hagan, Alexander DiBenedetto, David Colborne, and Mike Astafan.

Meeting called to order at 12:15p.

Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Motion to table consideration of last meeting minutes until next meeting (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Discussion of National Convention (Jason Smith). Item withdrawn by maker.

Discussion of Protest if Gary is not included in the national debates. Action Item: Draft a resolution for next Executive Committee Meeting.

Discussion & Motion for the Joint Fundraising Agreement. Motion to Table until next meeting (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Discussion & Motion for the purchase of three used Windows 7 computers using private funds donated for the purpose to the party (David Colborne). Motion passes. (6 – 0).



Motion to support Question 2 on the Nevada State Ballot – Regulate Marijuana like Alcohol (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes.

Motion to create a 40% commission structure for party fundraising (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion withdrawn by maker.

Motion to schedule the State Convention for 2017 to be some day between January 14th – 22nd (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Motion to schedule Organizing Convention for the Washoe County Libertarian Party, an affiliate of the Libertarian Party of Nevada for 11/12 – 11/13. Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Motion to contact the Clark County Libertarian Party leadership and discuss a county convention (required to have yearly convention; they have not had a convention since organization) (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion withdrawn by mover. Action item: Contact CCLP directly first.

Motion to approve the following electors and alternates to the Nevada Electoral College representing the Libertarian Party of Nevada (Brett H. Pojunis).

Electors:

1. Brett H. Pojunis
2. Jason Smith
3. David Colborne
4. Tim Hagan
5. Jason Weinman
6. Alexander DiBenedetto

Alternates:

1. Debbie Dedmon
2. Lou Pombo
3. Candy Nickens
4. John Moore
5. Kim Schjang
6. Jay Layman

Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Motion to schedule the next Executive Committee Meeting to be held 30 July 2016 from 1p – 3p (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 – 0).





Motion to adjourn (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 – 0).

Meeting adjourned at 2:08p.

30 July 2016 – LPNevada Executive Committee Meeting

Attending: Brett H. Pojunis, Jason Smith, Tim Hagan, Alexander DiBenedetto, David Colborne, Candy Nickens, Jason Weinman, Mike Astafan.

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

Motion to approve the meeting agenda (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes (8 – 0).

Motion to approve the 2016 State Convention Minutes (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes (8 – 0).

Motion to approve the 2016 Quarter 2 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes (8 – 0).

Motion: “I move to approve adding the Libertarian Party of Nevada in the Joint Fundraising Agreement with the Gary Johnson Victory Fund” (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes (8 – 0).

Discussion and motion to pass the following resolution: *“Be it resolved by the Libertarian Party of Nevada that Gov. Gary Johnson should be included in the national, televised debates hosted by the Presidential Debate Commission.*

...whereas The League of Women Voters’ original criteria states that any candidate with sufficient ballot access to mathematically win the election should be allowed a voice on the debate state,

...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is receiving 10-12% support in national polls, reflecting a caucus of nearly 8- 10 million US voters,

...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is the only candidate with real executive experience,

...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson has the overwhelming support of voting members of the military who seek an end to war,

...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is the only candidate with a message of liberty, prosperity, and peace.”

(Alexander DiBenedetto).

Substitutive resolution: *“Whereas The League of Women Voters’ original criteria states that any candidate with sufficient ballot access to mathematically win the election should be allowed a voice on the debate state,*

...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is receiving growing support in national polls, giving a voice to tens of millions of





US voters,

*...whereas Governors Gary Johnson and Bill Weld comprise the only ticket with real executive experience,
...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson has the overwhelming support of voting members of the military who seek an
end to war,*

*...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is the only candidate with a message of liberty, prosperity, and peace,
...whereas Gov. Gary Johnson is not Donald Trump nor Hillary Clinton,*

*Be it resolved by the Libertarian Party of Nevada that Gov. Gary Johnson should be included in the national,
televised debates hosted by the Presidential Debate Commission.” (Brett H. Pojunis, et. al).*

Substitutive resolution passes. (8 – 0).

Motion to schedule our next Executive Committee meeting for 24 September 2016 at 1p (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Motion to adjourn (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes. (8 – 0).

Meeting adjourned at 2:58p.

11 August 2016 - Motion to increase our budget item 'Nationbuilder' to \$279 per month." (It used to be \$259 per month) (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6-0).

11 August 2016 - Team... I think we should spend \$50 on Facebook promoting the event on Tuesday. I hope that we could get a really good crowd to help build up the West side Libertarians... I would like to set the target audience and get it going. So... I move that we allocate \$50 to promote our 3rd Tuesday event. (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes (5-0).

14 August 2016 - I MOTION for the Executive Committee to conduct a meeting on Saturday, August 27 at 1 PM. In support of the motion, I talked with Assemblyman Moore and he's fine with waiting until then to address the body. Additionally, this follows the Director Meeting at 10 AM, which he may also want to attend, assuming his concerns are campaign and coordination based. (David Colborne) Motion passes. (5-0).

27 August 2016 Executive Committee Meeting

1:00p – Call to order (Brett H. Pojunis).

1:01p – Approval of the Agenda (Alexander DiBenedetto) Motion passes.

1:03p – Discussion by candidates (Jason Smith).





2:03p – PROP 102 (David Colborne). Motion withdrawn.

2:05p – Motion to appoint Alexander DiBenedetto as Convention Committee Chairman (Jason Smith). Motion passes 9 – 0.

2:07p – Discussion about expenditures of money motions. All motions tabled or withdrawn.

Motion to spend \$140 of LPNV general fund monies to purchase Libertarian Party store items such as bumper stickers, door hangers, rack cards, and yard signs.	Tim Hagan, withdrawn
2017 State Convention – Motion to appropriate \$500 of LPNV general fund monies for the 2017 State Convention	Alexander DiBenedetto, tabled
Motion to appropriate \$200 for the 2016 Washoe County Organizing Convention	David Colborne, tabled
Motion to appropriate \$100 for the 2016 Clark County Convention	Alexander DiBenedetto, tabled
Motion to begin paying Nationbuilder annually for a 35% savings. This is a one-time, annual cost of \$2176.20. It saves us \$1171.80. We would then divert \$181.35 to a Nationbuilder subfund each month instead of the appropriated \$279 in order to perpetually pay our bill annually.	Alexander DiBenedetto, tabled

2:28p – Motion to hold next Executive Committee Meeting on 10/1/2016 at 1p. (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes 9 – 0.

2:30p – Meeting adjourned.

28 August 2016 - EC, I would like to purchase dontraidnevada.com for the coalition against the stadium. Are there any objections about this? Typically I purchase all the domains and we are trying to move away from that. If we can get a quick Yes vote on this, I will knock out the site today and get it up. IMPORTANT... When securing the domain name please set it up from the beginning (time of purchase) to point to NationBuilder. This will make it go live as soon as we purchase the domain name. Which means I can start working on it asap. (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes (5-0).

22 September 2016 - I move that we purchase 1,000 Voter Registration Forms as soon as possible. The cost is \$0.07/form so this will cost \$70.00. (Brett H. Pojunis). Motion passes. (8-0).

30 September 2016 – I move to adjust the executive committee meeting time and place to 6:30p and 5000 W. Oakey Blvd. Suite B8. (Alexander DiBenedetto). Motion passes. (6 -0).

