

Libertarian Party of El Paso County (LPEPC)



Annual Convention Minutes 2025

Date: April 26, 2025

Location: Trinity Brewing Warehouse, 4630 Forge Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Time: 2:25 PM – 4:39 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:25 PM by the Chair, Rebekah Craig.

2. Credential Report

- **Motion:** Jesse Campbell moved to accept the credential report, noting 17 voting members credentialed. Seconded by John Hjersman.
- **Outcome:** Carried without objection.
- **Note:** Quorum was met with 17 voting members present.

3. Approval of Agenda

- **Motion:** Jesse Campbell moved to adopt the provided agenda. Seconded by Kurt Wildforster.
- **Point of Order:** John Hjersman proposed amending the agenda to change “Appointment of Officers” to “Election of Officers.”
- **Outcome:** Amendment and agenda adopted without objection.

4. Election of Officers

a. Chair

- **Nominations:**
 - Jesse Campbell nominated Rebekah Craig. Ms. Craig accepted and spoke.
 - John Hjersman nominated Doug Jones. Mr. Jones accepted. Mr. Hjersman gave a nomination speech.
- **Procedural Note:** Jesse Campbell moved to call the question (intending to call for a vote), which proceeded. Doug Jones requested a campaign speech. Kurt Wildforster moved to allow Mr. Jones to speak, which was granted.
- **Vote:** Rebekah Craig: 11; Doug Jones: 6.

- **Outcome:** Rebekah Craig elected Chair.

b. Vice Chair

- **Nominations:** Taylor Triggs nominated Kurt Wildforster. Mr. Wildforster accepted and spoke. Grant Johnson nominated Doug Jones, who declined.
- **Vote:** Kurt Wildforster: 15; None of the Above (NOTA): 0.
- **Outcome:** Kurt Wildforster elected Vice Chair.

c. Secretary

- **Nominations:** Brian Flanagan nominated Taylor Triggs.
- **Vote:** Taylor Triggs: 14; NOTA: 0.
- **Outcome:** Taylor Triggs elected Secretary.

d. Treasurer

- **Nominations:** John Hjersman nominated Brian Flanagan. Mr. Flanagan spoke.
- **Vote:** Brian Flanagan: 15; NOTA: 0.
- **Outcome:** Brian Flanagan elected Treasurer.

5. Approval of 2024 Convention Minutes

- **Motion:** Jesse Campbell moved to approve the 2024 Convention Minutes. Seconded by Kurt Wildforster.
- **Vote:** 11 in favor, 0 opposed.
- **Outcome:** Motion carried.

6. Bylaws Proposals

a. Proposal 1

- **Presenter:** John Hjersman.
- **Initial Vote:** Yes: 10; No: 7.
- **Point of Order:** Brian Flanagan raised a concern about insufficient debate. The Chair approved a motion to allow further discussion and a revote.
- **Discussion:** Brian Flanagan questioned the proposal's motivation; John Hjersman elaborated.
- **Final Vote:** Yes: 4; No: 11.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

b. Proposal 2

- **Discussion:** Led by Daniel Schinsky.
- **Motion to Vote:** Jim Wiley moved to call the question.
- **Vote:** Yes: 8; No: 9.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

c. Proposal 3

- **Vote:** Yes: 2; No: 14.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

d. Proposal 4

- **Vote:** Yes: 3; No: 11.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

e. Recess

- **Motion:** John Angle moved for a brief recess at 3:28 PM. Seconded by Kurt Wildforster.
- **Outcome:** Carried without objection.
- **Resumption:** Meeting resumed at 3:39 PM.

f. Proposal 5

- **Discussion:** Led by John Hjersman, Grant Johnson, and John Angle.
- **Amendment:** Zach Collier moved to amend the proposal to include: "Written notice shall be submitted by the Director to the Secretary or the Chair by the next board meeting." Seconded by John Angle.
- **Vote (with amendment):** Yes: 14; No: 0.
- **Outcome:** Proposal passed as amended.

g. Proposal 6

- **Discussion:** Focused on defining libertarian principles.
- **Vote:** Yes: 9; No: 5.
- **Point of Order:** John Angle requested a quorum count, confirmed at 14 members (10 required for a two-thirds majority).
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

h. Proposal 7

- **Vote:** Yes: 11; No: 2.
- **Outcome:** Proposal passed.

i. Non-Substantive Proposals (8, 10, 12)

- **Motion:** The body unanimously agreed to consider Proposals 8, 10, and 12 together, allocating 2 minutes for discussion.
- **Quorum Check:** Confirmed at 15 members at 4:12 PM.
- **Vote:** Yes: 9; No: 6.
- **Outcome:** Proposals did not pass.

j. Proposal 9

- **Note:** Kurt Wildforster departed at 4:15 PM; quorum reduced to 14 members.
- **Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 6.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

k. Proposal 11

- **Vote:** Yes: 6; No: 7.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

l. Proposal 13

- **Vote:** Yes: 5; No: 9.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

m. Proposal 14

- **Discussion:** Extensive debate.
- **Vote:** Yes: 5; No: 9.
- **Outcome:** Proposal did not pass.

7. Announcement

- The Chair announced a future Board Meeting to hold Committee Director Elections.
- **Action Item:** Secretary to notify members of the Board Meeting date and agenda.

8. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM by the Chair, Rebekah Craig.

Submitted by:

John Angle, Secretary

Approved by:

Rebekah Craig, Chair

Minutes to be approved at the next Annual Convention of the LPEPC.