

Region 6 Report for the 1st Meeting of 2020.

Iowa:

LPIA will hold caucuses/county conventions in 23 counties to select county affiliate leaders and state delegates. Date is Feb 8th. LPIA will hold a non-binding presidential straw poll at the caucus and will include a virtual caucus for rural counties and absentee voters so as to ensure maximum participation and the broadest possible state delegation. LPIA will also elect a new state central committee at convention on 02/29 and is holding a presidential forum the same weekend, which will be live-streamed after state party business concludes. As outgoing state chair this will be my final report, I want to thank John Phillips for his accessibility and give kudos to staff, particularly Cara Schulz and Andy Burns for their support of LPIA and the wonderful regional training they did in Des Moines this past fall.

Minnesota:

The major political parties' Presidential primaries will be held on 'Super Tuesday', March 3, 2020. However, all Minnesota political parties can and will continue to conduct caucuses. Minnesota Presidential Caucus day will be one week prior, on Tuesday, February 25, 2020.

2020 LP POTUS Candidates:

Vermin Supreme, Sam Robb, Keenan Wallace Dunham, Mark Whitney, Steven Richey, Sorinne Ardeleanu Souraya Faas, Jo Jorgensen, Jedi Hill, Arvin Vohra, Dan Taxation Is Theft Behrman, Adam Kokesh, Lincoln Chafee, Jacob Hornberger, Ken Armstrong

That's when Libertarians in Minnesota have the chance to convene to rank-vote their preferences to be our LP Presidential nominee. If you are interested in helping organize please email us at info@lpmn.org. Save the date and make plans to attend the night starting at 7:00 pm at one of the following locations:

Congressional District 1 convener Rochester Area Libertarians will be at Godfather's Pizza (1611 16th St. NW, Rochester)

Congressional District 2 convener CD2 Live Free will be at Casper's Cherokee of Eagan (4625 Nicols Rd, Eagan)

Congressional District 3 convener CD3 will be at American Legion Chanhassen Post 580 (290 Lake Drive E Chanhassen)

Congressional District 4 convener CD4 Liberty will be at Guldens Restaurant & Bar (2999 North Hwy 61, Maplewood)

Congressional District 5 convener Metro Lakes Libertarians will be at MAYA Cuisine NE (1840 Central Ave NE, Minneapolis)

Congressional District 6 convener CD6 Libertarians will be at Ham Lakes Lane & Lounge (16465 Highway 65 NE, Ham Lake)

Congressional District 7 convener CD7 Libertarians will be at Prairie's Edge Casino Resort (5616 Prairies Edge Ln, Granite Falls)

Congressional District 8 convener CD8 Libertarians will be at Carmody (308 E Superior St, Duluth)

March 28th at the Cambria again the LPMN will have its annual convention with forums for candidates for President and LNC Chair, election of leaders and delegates, and several guest speakers such as Erick Kaardal, the attorney representing us in our BAIB ballot access lawsuit against the State of Minnesota. See attached flyer for sign-up.

LPMN has also had an anonymous donor announce a \$7000 match for donations between now and March 31. So if anyone is feeling like donating to a state party, LPMN could double your money.

N. Dakota

State Report We've regained ballot access We have two candidates One for Governor One for House Convention on March 14th We'll finalize our delegates Poll for LP presidential nomination Also our Sitting Vice Chair will be running for US House as a Democrat... Which we plan to address in our bylaws soon.

Dalton Brown, Chair of N.D. did not include this in his report, but he has been invited to DHS/FBI Security briefings surrounding the 2020 elections in N. Dakota, which is a pretty big accomplishment gaining that level of recognition in my opinion.

S. Dakota

The LPSD happenings. We held our 3rd Annual Holiday Food Drive in December, we raised [\\$300](#) for Feeding South Dakota as well as turned in food items. We had an outreach booth at a local Gun Show last weekend. We are in talks to sponsor a libertarian blog. Here in SD the D's and R's have independent political blogs they sponsor. Not much else going on

Illinois:

Illinois is also still working on state convention 2020. March 13-14. Presidential Debate that we are working on getting televised, and at least one newspaper said they would cover. Gearing up for petitioning in the spring during our state restricted time. Ramping up lobbying on state congress in several areas, particularly a couple bills that would make ballot access requirements equal across the board, removal of the F.O.I.D card program, and cooperating with some groups to fight the Democrat push for a progressive income tax. We have one Senate candidate, Danny Malouf declared, as well as Joshua Flynn for State representative.

Working on recruitment for local elections in spring of 2021.

On a personal note I have been fighting hard at the local level against corruption and government absurdities, getting semi regular press coverage locally, and including being quoted by the Intercept in an article regarding some of our fight. Sadly they keep avoiding mentioning the LP connection, but I'm working on it.

Wisconsin:

We have six candidates on ballot for our April election. Our vice chair Brian Defferding is running unopposed for county board and will secure his 2nd term. Our convention is March 21st in Brookfield Wi. We are prepared to secure ballot access for the presidential election. 2000 signatures between July 7th and Aug 13th... which is totally doable

Nebraska:

Convention the weekend after our meeting in Lincoln. There is a contested chair race. Their executive director Scott Zimmerman has been very busy with that, and working different avenues of outreach.

Missouri:

We have started making some changes here in Missouri the county election authorities are starting to recognize the established political parties (the Libertarian party) and have corrected their applications for election judges (poll workers). Jacob Hornberger is on the primary ballot as a libertarian having paid the \$1000 fee, other candidates declined to pay the fee for a variety of reasons. State convention Sat the 22nd of Feb in St Louis.