

MEETING MINUTES

LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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VIA ZOOM

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# OPENING CEREMONY

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Nicholas J. Sarwark called the meeting to order at 9:05 p.m. (all times Eastern).

## OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Ten (10) minutes were put aside for public comment. A copy of the chat transcript is attached.

# HOUSEKEEPING

## ATTENDANCE

The following were in attendance:

**Officers:** Nicholas J. Sarwark (Chair), Alex Merced (Vice-Chair), Caryn Ann Harlos (Secretary), Tim Hagan (Treasurer)

**At-Large Representatives:** Joseph Bishop-Henchman, Sam Goldstein, Alicia Mattson, Bill Redpath, Joshua Smith

**Regional Representatives:** Richard T. Longstreth (Region 1), Steven Nekhaila (Region 2), Elizabeth Van Horn (Region 3), Jeff Hewitt (Region 4), Jim Lark (Region 5), John Phillips (Region 6), Whitney Bilyeu (Region 7), Justin O’Donnell (Region 8)

**Regional Alternates:** Francis Wendt (Region 1), Paige Sexton (Region 2), Tim Ferreira (Region 4), Susan Hogarth (Region 5), Erin Adams (Region 7), Pat Ford (Region 8)

**Absent:** Phillip Anderson (Region 6 Alternate), Dustin Nanna (Region 3 Alternate),

**Participating Staff:** Executive Director Daniel Fishman (other staff members were part of the gallery)

**Participating Non-LNC Convention Committee Members:** Daniel Hayes

The gallery contained too many attendees to list. An overflow broadcast was started to accommodate the many interested members.

# PURPOSE

Discuss national convention contingencies. No formal business to be conducted.

A ten (10) minute recess was taken in order to switch Zoom meeting rooms in an attempt to increase the room capacity.

# DISCUSSION

Mr. Bishop-Henchman provided this summary of the contingencies discussed:

1. Everyone packed in Austin;
2. Everyone six (6) feet apart in Austin, in either hotel or convention center;
3. In-person for who can be there and special accommodations for those who can't travel;
4. Move to an outdoor space;
5. Rump convention to approve rules allowing online/other convention;
6. State remote satellite locations;
7. 1046-person Zoom convention;
8. Relocate;
9. Reschedule; or
10. No convention. LNC picks nominee, presumably through some process to ratify an electronic selection of delegates.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



#### CHAT TRANSCRIPT

21:24:31 From Omar Recuero(FL) : Hello from FL again

21:24:58 From Rebecca Lau : Hi from NYC

21:25:08 From Matt K : hola

21:25:11 From zzz Chuck Moulton : @Dan Fishman what happened to Boston?!

21:27:19 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : the list reflectors are updated

21:27:32 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : shift + F5

21:27:41 From Arvin Vohra : But this is the right meeting, right?

21:27:47 From Heywood Jablowmie : I see a new meeting ID

21:27:50 From zzzBo Brown : i got the meeting invite from lp.org and following the events.

21:28:05 From Steve Scheetz : This is the right meeting.

21:28:13 From Steve Scheetz : LOL

21:28:42 From zzzDavid Pratt Demarest : Still need more guests to drop?

21:28:48 From Rev. Boren : our upgrade in Michigan took several days

21:28:55 From Brandon Slayton : I was able to join the meeting with the updated link.

21:29:21 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : I heard there's a way to stream Zoom to fbLive

21:29:22 From Steve Scheetz : let's rock and roll

21:29:32 From zzz Greg Stempfle, Michigan Chair : I upgraded the Michigan zoom account two days ago to accommodate over 100 people and it still has not taken effect.

21:29:37 From zzzDavid Pratt Demarest : Dropping again

21:29:45 From Joseph Bishop-Henchman : Can we livestream to Facebook

21:29:46 From Joseph Bishop-Henchman : there we go yes

21:29:48 From zzz Chuck Moulton : Where will the recording be posted afterward?

21:29:57 From zzzCynthia Welch : If still only 100, I will bow out. Have a great meeting. Thank you all for everything you do. Be safe and be well.

21:30:28 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : PLEASE REMIND PEOPLE WHO AREN'T SPEAKING TO MUTE THEMSELVES

21:30:43 From Justin O'Donnell, Region 8 : It will be posted as a livestream on the LP Facebook page shortly

21:31:34 From danielhayes : Chuck…yes…it should be available later

21:32:02 From Nicholas Sarwark : Can someone send the correct meeting ID link to Ms. Mattson?

21:32:13 From zzz Chuck Moulton : Where will it be available? On YouTube?

21:32:23 From Paige Sexton, Reg 2 Alt : Alex is here

21:32:52 From Richard Brown : I can leave if you need my spot for someone who needs to be here

21:32:54 From Justin O'Donnell, Region 8 : Chuck it should be livestreamed in a few minutes on the facebook page if Dan gets that working, and then ASAP on the website once it's over

21:33:01 From danielhayes : You can touch your face when you haven’t been near another human for 2 days and you have hand washed and showered multiple times since

21:33:21 From zzzBo Brown : I sent an invitation to Erin Adams via fb messenger.

21:33:43 From Pat Ford : Where do you enable hand raise?

21:34:26 From zzzBo Brown : you can raise your hand by selecting your own name from the participants list (it will be at the top) and selecting "raise hand"

21:34:55 From Nicholas Sarwark : Participants list allows hand raising

21:35:04 From ZZZ - Robert Kraus : Also right above chat window you should see "unmute me" & "raise hand"

21:35:36 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Are Ms. Hogarth, Ms. Mattson, Mr. Nanna, and Ms. Adams present?

21:35:38 From Justin O'Donnell, Region 8 : Dan frozen for anyone else?

21:35:50 From TJ Ferreira R4alt : We can now

21:35:51 From Paige Sexton, Reg 2 Alt : froze for me too

21:35:53 From zzz - Shawn Levasseur : he was frozen but back

21:36:00 From Whitney : Ms. Adams is expected later - work obligations.

21:36:07 From Heywood Jablowmie : Maybe change the theme to "Don't stand so close to me"

21:36:17 From Elizabeth : Pat Ford, click at bottom of screen, click on partipcants, then on chat. You'll see an area separated between particpaints and chat. There are two buttons. "Raise Hand" is one.

21:36:17 From Caryn Ann Harlos : thank you

21:36:24 From Caryn Ann Harlos : My flight to Texas for convention was cancelloed

21:36:36 From Daniel Fishman : stream is live on FB libertarian page

21:36:38 From ZZZ - Robert Kraus : We are live on FB thanks @dan

21:36:53 From Michelle R : sorry dunno how I sent to a person

21:36:55 From Richard Longstreth : Susan is trying to get in

21:36:58 From Michelle R : where will the meeting be posted recorded happy to leave and watch later if that's an option

21:37:07 From Daniel Fishman : https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=148297329856093

21:37:08 From Nicholas Sarwark : If you are able to watch on Facebook and a guest, please do for the participant cap.

21:37:14 From Michelle R : thanks

21:37:19 From Mary Pat McVay : Does the hotel have its own channel that it can broadcast o individual rooms?

21:37:36 From Joseph Bishop-Henchman : Is U-Texas graduation still on?

21:37:43 From Caryn Ann Harlos : we need four spaces to allow LNC members in please

21:38:09 From Shaun Cahill : switching out

21:38:55 From Nicholas Sarwark : UT Austin has not made a final decision on commencement yet.

21:39:00 From zzzArvin Vohra : Guys, social distancing of 6 feet with 1000 people is not how things work. That only makes sense with like 10 people, and even there is dubious.

21:39:18 From zzzBo Brown : ^exactly

21:39:39 From Whitney : I see a statement that says they are still planning for a ceremony at the tower on May 23rd

21:39:40 From zzzArvin Vohra : Full face respirators would make more sense, if we want to be in the same room.

21:39:43 From ZZZ Erik Raudsep : As of 5 hours ago they are doing a virtual commencement

21:39:43 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : https://www.kxan.com/news/education/university-of-texas-spring-2020-commencement-postponed-due-to-ongoing-covid-19-concerns/

21:39:50 From Dalton Brown : can we narrow it down to 2-4 contingencies? perhaps make

21:40:02 From Caryn Ann Harlos : we are still waiting for Mr. Nanna and then later Ms. Adams so I will keep two spaces open and will not admit people beyond 98

21:40:02 From Heywood Jablowmie : Well, at least if it's outside it would stop the ac debate

21:40:15 From Dalton Brown : plans for a few dofferent situations?

21:41:35 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : KXAN article doesn't have new date for UT-Austin commencement

21:41:38 From Joseph Bishop-Henchman : During the video, [UT President] Fenves asked Brown to deliver a virtual commencement, which will be held later the same week as the now postponed in-person commencement, and also to still be speaker for a later 2020 commencement, which will be held later this year.

21:41:44 From Elizabeth : If we're streaming live, is there a link I can give to LP members?

21:41:53 From Richard Longstreth : https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=148297329856093

21:41:56 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : "On Wednesday, the University of Texas announced its spring Commencement, scheduled for May 21-23, will be postponed due to continued nationwide and local concerns of COVID-19 spread.

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21:41:59 From Elizabeth : Thanks!!

21:42:18 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Is Mr. Nanna here

21:43:37 From Joseph Howe : do voting rounds electronically as a preference for POTUS ticket, LNC votes to nominate candidate respecting the will of the delegates

21:44:35 From Joseph Howe : gets around in-person bylaws controversies

21:44:37 From Daniel Fishman : 125 currently watching on FB

21:45:38 From Joe Dehn : Not clear how "remote sites" are useful for anything, as travel within a state is also limited and/or a health concern.

21:46:44 From Miguel Duque : Ditto to Joe Dehn

21:46:57 From zzzArvin Vohra : LNC - electronic meetings have a learning curve, but can actually be more productive if done intelligently.

21:46:58 From Susan Hogarth : agree with Joe D on this

21:47:35 From D Frank : Party standing committee elections are the only critical business.

21:47:53 From Heywood Jablowmie : Texas is in the same pickle, and the plan is to just adopt bylaws and platform as passed in 2018.

21:48:01 From zzJerry Geleff : Arvin, we just held a county meeting via Zoom, and it worked really well. Granted, smaller, but honestly, everybody is on better behavior electronically. And we're seeing that here, too, aren't we?

21:48:31 From Richard Brown : The bylaws do not mention having a special convention

21:48:43 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : I'm not seeing "Special Convention" in the Bylaws

21:48:49 From Omar Recuero(FL) : We are gonna have to make some "just incase" changes in bylaws

21:48:51 From Richard Brown : But you can have an adjourned convention

21:48:53 From zzzArvin Vohra : Amen to that. It took my business a couple years to get good with online...but then it got so much better that we shut down all in person.

21:49:28 From Alicia : on the phone, \*6 mutes and \*9 raises your hand, if I remember correctly what was said earlier

21:49:34 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I feel vindicated in arguing against deleting special conventions

21:49:43 From zzzBo Brown : \*9 raises and lowers hand from the phone

21:49:53 From Ken Moellman : I can't lower my hand. I've tried.

21:49:57 From Caryn Ann Harlos : you never know when it would be needed but in any event no business was ever able to be done at special conventions even before

21:50:00 From zzJerry Geleff : the guy from Alaska REALLY has his stuff together, with the Alaska backdrop.

21:50:10 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I lowered it Ken

21:50:14 From Ken Moellman : TY CAH

21:50:32 From Heywood Jablowmie : County judge in Texas is the county executive

21:50:36 From zzzArvin Vohra : My last 20 or so major media appearances were done remotely. It's just a question of doing it well. If we have 1000 people using built in laptop mics, this will be idiotic. But 1000 people doing things professionally will be a game gchanger.

21:50:37 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : Hayes would also be the first one arrested :)

21:50:46 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Where is Bishop Hayes?

21:50:51 From Richard Brown : In lieu of a special convention, when this convention adjourns, it can set an "adjourned meeting" to continue the convention at a later date... even months or a year later

21:51:01 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Yep Mr. Brown

21:51:13 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I was thinking of that

21:51:16 From zzzArvin Vohra : Yeah, that easter thing is nonsense.

21:51:17 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : Jerry Geleff its an easy setting I found in zoom. I was able to upload a pic from the party site

21:51:49 From D Frank : I suggest postponeing the convention to November AFTER the election and before the Presidential Electors vote in December. The states individually can put the POTUS and VPOTUS candidates on the ballot or an uncommitted slate.

21:51:53 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I will be there no matter what

21:52:27 From Richard Longstreth : As will I. Nobody will stop me unless flights are grounded. Not a person or a government

21:52:33 From Mimi Robson : I will be there no matter what as well.

21:52:40 From Joshua Smith : I'll be in Austin.

21:52:42 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Richard I will drive

21:52:42 From Omar Recuero(FL) : Me too Im driving

21:52:52 From Ken Moellman : I will be in Austin unless we do remote sites plan, in which case I'll be running tech support at a remote

21:52:57 From Richard Longstreth : If flights are grounded, I'll be able to drive in because my meeting in GA will be cancelled to. I'm there hell or high water

21:52:59 From Heywood Jablowmie : I've got a pretty short drive

21:53:09 From zzzBo Brown : I mean...I'll be there if its safe and if its happening.

21:53:21 From zzzArvin Vohra : LNC - as a Presidential Candidate, I can say that waiting until September to nominate will make running essentially impossible

21:53:52 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : waiting until September would prevent a candidate from being on the NH ballot

21:53:52 From Mimi Robson : We have to have a POTUS candidate long before that. Joe Dehn has a proposal for that.

21:54:51 From D Frank : The states are responsible for meeting state candidate deadlines.

21:54:53 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : candidate filing in NH is June 3-12; petitions are due Aug 5

21:55:04 From zzzBo Brown : I think predictions on having hard info when the plague will no longer be a threat in large groups are unwise. As has been suggested often, information is moving so quickly, we have to be flexible. Online seems the only option which provides the stringest opprotunity for membership voices to be heard

21:55:13 From Rev. Boren : page 244 - 246 rroo talks about adjournment. it's a recess. you gotta be there in person

21:55:15 From Steve Scheetz : August 1 in PA

21:55:39 From D Frank : There is no hard number for a quorum to recess.

21:55:53 From danielhayes : Rev. The Parliamentary Geek points out its referred to as RONR

21:55:56 From danielhayes : :D

21:56:00 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : Article 10

Section 1

Regular Conventions shall be held sometime during the period of July of an odd-numbered year through August of an even-numbered year.

21:56:05 From Rev. Boren : lmao rodger

21:56:13 From Ken Moellman : Speaking as COC Vice Chair, I can say that our goal is to have the convention on 5/22-5/25 in Austin. We're doing everything we can to make that happen. We continue to monitor the situation every single day. Hayes and I talk multiple times per day. We should know a lot more by 4/20.

21:56:30 From zzzSean Goward (LPD Delegate Chair) : What about having delegation chairs physically present and in communication with their fellow delegates to conduct business?

21:56:34 From David Valente : August 1 in WV as well even though we are on ballot

21:56:59 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : I'm having trouble hearing Bill

21:57:02 From D Frank : Pro forma meeting in August to recess until a date certain or the call of the Chair.

21:57:08 From danielhayes : Delegation chairs need to be with their delegations generally

21:57:14 From Daniel Fishman : In the worst petitioning environment ever

21:57:34 From D Frank : Ballot access censorship is a tar pit!

21:58:07 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I am happy to be stuck on the LNC

21:58:13 From D Frank : Ballot access laws are where political parties are sent to die.

21:58:32 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : FYI: Constitution Party announced their convention will be conducted via videoconference. They amended their bylaws in 2008 to allow such

21:58:36 From danielhayes : We will have Robust interoperable satellite sites…we lean REALLY hard against “state” split with 52+ locations..it would be rough.

21:58:43 From Steve Scheetz : where is that idea?

21:58:54 From Ken Moellman : We had to scramble for ballot access for Johnson in 2016, which I believe was on 4th of July weekend. As Bill said, we need to be done with nomination by early July or we start missing deadlines. KY filing deadline was recently moved to July, too.

21:59:09 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : Alaska needs 1500 more registrants for ballot access

22:00:02 From D Frank : Tip toeing over the tar pit is treacherous.

22:00:03 From ZZZ - Robert Kraus : Speaking about ballot access please donate here: https://www.lp.org/ballotaccess

22:00:07 From D Frank : Fixing the LP Convention Coronavirus Dilemma

Considering the arguments for an attenuated convention with various functions omitted and a quasi-virtual convention, I think the best option is to postpone the 2020 convention until after the election and until it can function per rules and Bylaws.

The CDC wants to ban all meeting of more than ten people. To comply with this official edict, the LNC should go all state election officials and to the Congress and ask for the suspension of all ballot access laws in this national emergency to allow voters maximum freedom of choice among candidates at the polls in November.

What about the Presidential ticket? The state party organizations can submit slates of Electors who are uncommitted to any Libertarian candidates and, if elected in November, those Electors would meet at the State Capitol and cast their votes for ANY candidates they independently choose.

Until the Electors vote in December everyone campaigns for maximum effect for all office, local, state, Federal

22:00:09 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : anything after June 12, and we have no POTUS candidate in NH

22:00:10 From Xx feena Bonoan : 💖 Caryn

22:00:18 From danielhayes : Am I triggering people touching my face?

22:00:30 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Feena! Love you girl.

22:00:47 From Ken Moellman : Dustin Nanna can't get in to the call, is listening on FB Live

22:01:20 From Daniel Fishman : tell him to try to log in again and CarynAnn will admit him

22:01:32 From Ken Moellman : He's content to listen on FB live.

22:01:39 From Ryan Wilson : I agree.

22:01:47 From Mimi Robson : Also keep in mind that the delegates won't be able to make arrangements.

22:01:56 From Ryan Wilson : Do it in Austin or online.

22:02:22 From Xx feena Bonoan : I’m digging your vibe Nick, making sense

22:02:24 From D Frank : Our LP Electors are legally unbound. Only if the LP Electors get a majority in state, who is nominated by us is a formality.

22:02:33 From danielhayes : HI ETHAN!

22:02:44 From Nicholas Sarwark : Best Bishop-Henchman!

22:02:53 From Mimi Robson : Hi Ethan!

22:03:15 From zzz Chuck Moulton : I vote for Nick is chair for life.

22:03:15 From Zzzjasonspyres : I know all publicity is good publicity, but our presidential candidate explaining getting covid 19 shaking 500 delegate hands is a question I'd rather they be able to avoid

22:03:34 From Whitney : No one is shaking hands...

22:03:53 From Steve Scheetz : Maybe we could have a smaller contingent meeting in person, those who show up will be in communication with the rest of the state delegation and will record all votes (delegate names with each vote for verification.)

22:03:59 From Zzzjasonspyres : I'd hope so, but do we want to trust that

22:04:03 From Ken Moellman : LNC choosing is going to cause issues. Some state laws require candidates to be nominated "in convention"

22:04:26 From Christopher Olenski : second that Ken

22:04:39 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : Alaska's Press conference just started. They are putting more travel mandates tomorrow at 1 pm AKDT

22:04:39 From D Frank : The LNC does not have to name POTUS/VPOTUS candidates. The States can name uncommitted or stand-in candidates for ballot retention purposes.

22:04:46 From zzzBo Brown : can credentialing be done earlier? like...starting now?

22:04:47 From Mimi Robson : I personally think we need to have a POTUS candidate and the rest can be figured out afterwards.

22:05:00 From Ken Moellman : @Joshua --- Holy cow. Brutal

22:05:37 From Omar Recuero(FL) : Whay is the DNC and RNC doing?

22:05:44 From Omar Recuero(FL) : What\*

22:06:03 From Daniel Fishman : DNC is delaying till August at least

22:06:45 From D Frank : The LP can name POTUS/VPOTUS candidates before the Presidential Electors vote in December. Maybe some duopoly Electors will defect to out candidate (it has happened).

22:07:21 From Alicia : The good news is that flights are cheap to buy now, and it's easy to get tickets with no change fees and a generous cancellation allowance.

22:07:51 From Caryn Ann Harlos : and thank you to Alicia for getting that segregation passed

22:08:21 From David Valente : we did that in WV, Most folks elected in kind contributions

22:08:27 From D Frank : Fee embargo was a good idea.

22:08:31 From Alicia : My nagging was worth the result. Thanks to all on the LNC who helped get it passed.

22:08:52 From Mimi Robson : Thank you Alicia!

22:09:08 From D Frank : Thank you, Alicia!

22:09:11 From Richard Longstreth : Teamwork - thank you for your teancity on it!

22:09:13 From Caryn Ann Harlos : you were prophetic

22:09:31 From Caryn Ann Harlos : A lot of us pushed hard but it was Alicia who took the lead on that

22:10:07 From Alicia : I did point out the possibility of mass refunds. Not crazy!

22:10:41 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : tickets are now $400 rountrip from ANC to AUS now :O

22:11:09 From zzzBo Brown : zoom calls work, yo. LibSoc caucus has been using them with a top attendance of roughly 30 and business done (affinity report backs, agenda, and action items) within an hour.

22:11:21 From feenabonoan : Gonna look into hotel rooms tonight

22:11:57 From D Frank : The uncertainity and hardship caused by these quarantines and ballot access laws lay a foundation for a comprehansive challenge to ballot access laws before 2022.

22:12:04 From Mimi Robson : More than North and South!

22:12:15 From Nicholas Sarwark : Cool and not cool?

22:12:23 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : that guy wanted to break up into what five states

22:12:31 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : regarding the 51/52 remote conventions that would be linked together: how would that fit within the prohibition against gatherings of 10 or more people, especially considering that a prohibition on gatherings have been upheld as NOT violating First Amendment (at least in NH)

22:12:35 From Mimi Robson : YUP

22:12:45 From zzzBo Brown : everyone has to be on board, though. voluntary muting and more charitable than normal communication to eliminte cross talk. and it would likely be an easy fix to have dedicated zoom rooms with caucuses, states, other groups within the larger LP.

22:13:00 From feenabonoan : $260/night right now

22:13:20 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : hotel rooms still expensive im sure

22:13:36 From Mimi Robson : But you have to keep in mind how people will get there.

22:13:56 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Feena I may need a roomie (I have a room, lets talk offline)

22:14:09 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : @feenabonoan that may change now that UT canceled - that was tonight

22:15:10 From Mimi Robson : Yes

22:15:22 From zzz -- James Gholston : Erin Adams is with a patient. the EARLIEST she can hope to be here is an hour from no

22:15:26 From Joseph Howe : a remote meeting is not a violation of the bylaws, the LNC sets location

22:15:27 From zzz -- James Gholston : now

22:15:27 From Mimi Robson : Jet Blue cancelled my flights

22:15:40 From Ryan Wilson : American made me take a voucher.

22:15:45 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Southwest makes voucher unless you paid for refundablew

22:15:58 From Richard Longstreth : SW, American, and Alaska all made me take vouchers

22:16:21 From Alicia : Airline policies are becoming more generous now for those who hadn't booked before this situation developed.

22:17:11 From zzzBo Brown : Shes exactly right.

22:17:32 From Ken Moellman : Expedia just wrote to tell me that I can get a refund on my flight and hotel to TX convention

22:17:34 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : what I jotted down from the convo:

A. Everyone packed in Austin

B. Everyone 6 feet apart in Austin, either hotel or convention center

C. In-person for who can be there and special accommodations for those who can't travel

D. Move to an outdoor space

E. Rump convention to approve rules allowing online/other convention

F. State remote satellite locations

G. 1046 person Zoom convention

H. Relocate

I. Reschedule

J. No convention. LNC picks nominee, presumably through some process to ratify an electronic selection of delegates

22:17:39 From Ken Moellman : And I booked that a while back

22:17:45 From David Valente : yes I think at a minimum that is good sense

22:17:47 From D Frank : The states claim immunity to monetary damages in suits for disrupting and abridging political rights, but obviously our members will suffer real person financial injury

22:18:08 From zzzBo Brown : JBH, thats what I have written down as physical notes.

22:18:44 From Tim : Please mute if you're not talking.

22:19:41 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : alt-site for rump convention: Sarwark's house, limited to NH, VT, MA & ME delegates

22:19:44 From Ken Moellman : We have looked at that FYI :)

22:19:48 From Daniel Fishman : mad props for correct usage of "rump convention"

22:19:55 From Ken Moellman : Not sarwark house, alt site tho

22:20:05 From Steve Scheetz : If we have a smaller contingent that shows up, we could visit the bylaw amendments necessary to open up for the rest of the delegations who are remote.

22:20:07 From Nicholas Sarwark : Sarwark house is smaller than you think…

22:20:35 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : up to 9 delegates can attend

22:20:36 From zzzSean Goward (LPD Delegate Chair) : As long as there’s adequate Toilet Tissue...

22:20:52 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : remember, I was there when you moved in

22:21:27 From Stephen Johnson : Slack

22:21:36 From Ken Moellman : Bylaws must be followed unless we want to create legal case to have candidate sued off the ballot for nominating a candidate outside of proper procedure. See also SB194 and Ohio 2014.

22:21:40 From Mimi Robson : And in larger states?

22:21:49 From Elizabeth : Someone isn't muted

22:21:59 From John Phillips : Ms Adams sends apologies, she is with a patient currently

22:22:04 From Christopher Olenski : how do you verify identity online?

22:22:08 From Richard Brown : You can choose the preesidential candidate and maybe the new officers and LNC at the convention currently scheduled with minimum attendance and set an adjourned meeting for bylaws and platform and even for election of officers and LNC if you don't want to do that in Austin in May

22:22:13 From Mimi Robson : Someone is making this hard to hear. . .

22:22:16 From Ken Moellman : Dustin is listening on FB live. Couldn't get in originally.

22:22:27 From Richard Brown : It would amount to a special convention.

22:22:29 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : ^what Moellman just said

22:22:32 From Omar Recuero(FL) : 96 on the call

22:22:37 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : earlier anyways

22:22:40 From Mimi Robson : How about with 107

22:22:44 From feenabonoan : As a delegate I don’t like that idea as much.

22:22:45 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : we aren't allowed to have a Special Convention

22:22:59 From D Frank : The LNC can postpone the convention more than once as the public health situation evolves.

22:23:12 From Heywood Jablowmie : I think that there might be some distrust of a rump convention shaking up the party, they might twerk the bylaws and platform, and while I don't want to poopoo the idea, it might leave a bad odor in the party.

22:23:14 From Elizabeth : Can the person who's mic is on, be muted? There's sound coming through.

22:23:35 From D Frank : Hotels will be begging for customers.

22:23:35 From Richard Brown : What I suggested would not be a special convention. It would be an "adjourned meeting", which would be essentially the same thing as a special conventin.

22:23:36 From Christopher Olenski : who’s got the background chatter? mute yourself

22:23:40 From Ben Leder : We should schedule some practice conventions before we just try to wing it on this.

22:23:41 From zzzArvin Vohra : @Caryn Ann - I believe hosts can mute individuals.

22:23:57 From Caryn Ann Harlos : everyone is muted except the chair

22:24:07 From Ken Moellman : What Nick's saying is the core of most alternatives.

22:24:09 From Caryn Ann Harlos : has been for a while

22:24:10 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : thank you CAH!

22:25:28 From D Frank : I support Nick's analysis of the situation. Real people in a real convention setting must make the decisions that must be made.

22:25:56 From ZzzWilliam Patton : How many delegates need to be in Austin to propose the change and approve it?

22:26:05 From Steven Nekhaila : So what you are saying Nick, is that you, I, and 9 others need to smuggle ourselves into Austin to amend the bylaws in a speakeasy?

22:26:14 From D Frank : I differ on the issue of timing the convention.

22:26:14 From Rev. Boren : 2nd that thanks guys and gals

22:26:28 From Whitney : Thanks, John Phillips!

22:27:24 From Tara DeSisto : The party is very grateful for your pledge John Phillips! Thank you very much.

22:27:31 From Ben Leder : A full hazmat suit is cheaper than the ticket price for the convention.

22:27:45 From danielhayes : I have been in touch with the JW since they shut down

22:27:48 From Richard Brown : zzzWilliam, it would be whatever delegates show up, as few as one or two or all 1,000 or anywhere in betweeen.

22:28:02 From Ken Moellman : These stupid shelter-in-place actions. Make no sense without actual mass-testing. Otherwise we're just hanging out bored while the economy burns. Stupid FDA blocking private at-home testing.

22:28:24 From Daniel Fishman : If the rump parliament was good enough for Cromwell it's good enough for me!!!!

22:28:25 From Whitney : Nothing compels those who do show up to limit the business they conduct that day....

22:28:42 From feenabonoan : I like option C

22:28:47 From Ben Leder : I'm beginning to wonder if I'm the only one in this party with a full hazmat suit?

22:28:47 From Stephen Johnson : Z. everyone who wants to show up download random MMO game

22:28:57 From zzz - Joshua McHoes : ive got a game for that

22:29:19 From Ryan Wilson : @Ben Leder: Yes

22:29:25 From zzzArvin Vohra : OMG I CAN HEAR ALICIA!!! Another advantage of online, I suppose.

22:29:41 From Elizabeth : @Arvin. LOL

22:29:58 From ZzzWilliam Patton : Thank you Richard.

22:29:59 From Ryan Wilson : @Stephen Johnson: I would like to propose The Elder Scrolls Online.

22:30:00 From Ben Leder : Your are not a real Libertarian if you don't have a hazmat suit.

22:30:01 From Ken Moellman : Can't the force majure clause invalidate part of a contract but not all?

22:30:09 From Ken Moellman : Paging an attorney

22:30:14 From Ken Moellman : ...

22:30:15 From danielhayes : But you can’t hear Redpath though

22:30:34 From D Frank : Believe it or not but when Presidential Electors meet in December at the state Capitols to vote they have the authority to vote for persons for POTUS and VPOTUS that did not appear on the ballot of any state!

22:30:41 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : I'm not barred in Texas, but I imagine the ability to cancel would give us leverage to renegotiate. Give them an upcoming convention or something

22:30:51 From Stephen Johnson : @ryan capped every class In every realm, when I quit 8 months ago lol

22:31:29 From Richard Brown : I was about to say the same thing Mr. Bishop Henchmen just said about negotiation something with the hotel

22:31:51 From Apollo’s iphone : can’t the LNC be the Rump

22:32:01 From Ryan Wilson : @Stephen Johnson: Nice! I've been playing it while I listen to this meeting. Getting ready to go to bed though.

22:32:07 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I have never been more glad that I closed that damn back door

22:32:10 From Christopher Olenski : split convention bad idea. who chooses the cool kids from the losers? hard nope.

22:32:11 From D Frank : We always have to trust the delegates at any convention.

22:32:36 From danielhayes : Oregon

22:32:57 From Ken Moellman : If anyone were to take advantage of this situation with the "rump convention" and screw things up, I know I would personally work to blackball them from the party in the future, and I'm quite sure the bulk of our membership would do the same. Taking advantage of a situation like this would be awful.

22:33:05 From Ben Leder : If a quorum of delegates shows up in Austin we can hold the convention in the parking lot until the cops show up. I'd like to see APD arrest a 1,000 people at once.

22:33:22 From Caryn Ann Harlos : the Portland Massacre has made me not very trusting

22:33:22 From Richard Longstreth : Blackball is generous. I'd view it as a NAP violation in spirit

22:33:29 From Mimi Robson : The biggest thing is POTUS.

22:33:31 From D Frank : It is the prorogative of the members of a party to enforce their bylaws - NOT the courts absent financial fraud.

22:33:51 From D Frank : Prerogative.

22:34:03 From Joshua Smith : I just wanted that very very clear for everyone. the Portland massacre could easily happen again.

22:34:21 From Ryan Wilson : @Ben Leder: They would probably bring out the water canons.

22:34:31 From Rev. Boren : Portland plank massacre of 08 correct?

22:34:39 From Caryn Ann Harlos : 2006

22:34:39 From Ken Moellman : There would be a reaction "massacre" in Reno if that happened, though.

22:34:41 From Joshua Smith : 2006

22:34:50 From Mimi Robson : @Josh, I agree that if we have only a few people in Austin there should be nothing done.

22:35:13 From Joshua Smith : like I said. I just wanted it clear for everyone on the call.

22:35:20 From D Frank : Will a motion be made for vote?

22:35:43 From Ken Moellman : It's my understanding that there's no action that can be taken in this meeting.

22:35:44 From Caryn Ann Harlos : @Josh my paranoid mind already went there

22:35:50 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I will be there come hell or high water

22:35:53 From Ben Leder : Water cannons have never been used on a large group of armed people.

22:36:20 From Steve Scheetz : If I am not able to fly there, I will drive there, but regardless, I will be there in Austin.

22:36:23 From Richard Brown : there is no minimum number of delegatess required.

22:36:32 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : minimum is 1

they could change everything

22:36:37 From Tim : One person showing up makes a convention.

22:36:39 From Ken Moellman : No minimum specified in bylaws

22:36:46 From Galaxy S7 : No minimum?!

22:36:49 From Rev. Boren : Michigan is coming mad max style

22:36:52 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : A quorum shall consist of 40% of the total number of delegates registered in attendance at the

Convention.

22:36:52 From Tim : Quorum is 40% of those who show up.

22:36:53 From Ken Moellman : @Tim - probably need 3 minimum

22:36:55 From Alicia : Right. We have no minimum. It's 40% of those who showed up and got credentialed.

22:37:10 From Rev. Boren : thanks for the 06

22:37:12 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : so 0.4 people

22:37:17 From Rev. Boren : I'm a noob.

22:37:21 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Correct no minimum

22:37:23 From John Phillips : Barring government locking me down or catching this nasty crap I will commit to be there

22:37:30 From Caryn Ann Harlos : and that is an issue IMHO

22:37:57 From Joshua Smith : as a candidate for Chair, I don't want to see that happen, and would hate to see ANYONE win an LNC spot like that, or to see the platform get rifled through, etc.

22:38:02 From Galaxy S7 : How is there no minimum and only a 40% quorum?!

22:38:17 From Ken Moellman : Because that's what previous delegates decided

22:38:19 From Caryn Ann Harlos : people have wanted to lower the quorum

22:38:27 From Rev. Boren : prepare for the worst. makes sense

22:38:28 From Steve Scheetz : 40% of the total number counted at the beginning of the convention is quorum.

22:38:30 From Andrew Kolstee : I will be there as long as it is happening.

22:38:31 From Caryn Ann Harlos : I think we see now why that is a terrible idea

22:38:48 From Ryan Wilson : Clown show! :)

22:38:54 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : Arvin is right.

22:39:04 From Ken Moellman : Has to be done in any alternate scenario. Bylaws must enable remote locations

22:39:38 From Ryan Wilson : ^^^^

22:39:52 From Galaxy S7 : It should be 50% +1 of all selected delegates

22:40:02 From Ken Moellman : That's how Oregon got broken

22:40:09 From Galaxy S7 : Anything lower is asking for trouble

22:40:11 From Alicia : As a COC member, I know of nothing that would need executive session.

22:40:24 From Joshua Smith : would have to be a bylaws change, still. in person.

22:40:34 From Ken Moellman : Yup.

22:40:42 From David Valente : who is Galaxy S7?

22:40:51 From Elizabeth : @Joe. Agree. Arvin is correct.

22:40:52 From feenabonoan : yas

22:41:09 From Rev. Boren : well said bo

22:41:36 From zzzBo Brown : thank you, comrade.

22:41:38 From zzz Dayl Thomas, LP Delaware Secretary & Delegate : Agreed. Well said Mr. Brown.

22:41:43 From Joshua Smith : big ups to all the green screen libertarians podcasters on the call.

22:41:53 From ZZZ Pietro S. Geraci : I am I didn't realize I was listed as Galaxy

22:41:56 From Omar Recuero(FL) : Lets actively keep track of govt actions are in play that may prevent delegates from traveling

like the AK news we got today

22:42:04 From Joshua Smith : also Bo 🙄

22:42:08 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : 1st order of business should be to ratify results o fJC vote

22:42:15 From Omar Recuero(FL) : actions that are in play\*

22:42:20 From Sam Goldstein : The COC has already had extensive discussions with our AV provider on the remote issue which they have done dozens of times so Mr Vorhas's concerns are mostly moot.

22:43:57 From Ken Moellman : It's bourbon-o'clock folks.

22:44:20 From Justin O'Donnell, Region 8 : I don't want to deal with the Povertarians protesting Arvin's convention

22:44:29 From zzzArvin Vohra : You can buy a $30 headset, but you can't buy 30 years younger.

22:44:46 From Caryn Ann Harlos : Bourbon O Clock!

22:45:21 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : The G-20 met by conference call today, in Brady Bunch squares. I've been on meetings with clients this week where they're in their pajamas. So the standards have loosened a bit

22:45:33 From Ken Moellman : I do not look forward to trying to walk flip-phone libertarians through setting up for a zoom meeting.

22:45:40 From Richard Longstreth : they've loosened a lot

22:45:43 From zzzArvin Vohra : I agree with Dan on this - if the AV company can do 50, or even 10, remote sites with several dry runs, we can make this look good.

22:46:49 From Caryn Ann Harlos : YAY bishop!

22:46:56 From Paige Sexton, Reg 2 Alt : my husband and I will be there hell and high water

22:47:16 From Joe Bishop-Henchman : Ethan says he will make sure I'm there

22:48:18 From Daniel Fishman : I'll be road tripping in my unstoppable Tacoma from the DMV -- there may be carpool options

22:48:22 From Omar Recuero(FL) : I plan to be there, hell or high water,

Capt America: Whatever it Takes!

22:48:43 From zzzArvin Vohra : Oh hell, Darryl is right. So we'd need 100 sites or so!

22:49:01 From Steven Nekhaila : Florida will be represented, no matter what it takes.

22:49:09 From feenabonoan : I’m flying in from Hawaii unless they stop flights

22:49:20 From zZz -- Darryl W. Perry (NH) : so possibly up to 150 remote locations?

22:50:03 From Tim : Darryl, yes if we can't have ten or more at a gathering.

22:50:25 From danielhayes : We could do up to 100 locations but that isn’t ideal.

22:50:53 From Christopher Olenski : know what I hear.. a bunch of “Libertarians” willing to bend over to government mandates. Sorry, not sorry.. that’s fear.

22:51:04 From Ben Leder : I we start training now, it will only make us stronger.

22:51:28 From Richard Longstreth : Cheers everyone

22:51:32 From Rev. Boren : Peace and love

22:51:43 From zzz Chuck Moulton : bye, all

22:55:04 From Mimi Robson : YAY!CHAT TRANSCRIPT