Proposed Chair's Advisory Committees

In 2019, I proposed the establishment of new LNC standing committees for each of our priority areas, to substitute for or expand several existing committees. The goal was to reflect the best practices of most successful boards, to provide specialization, focus, and institutional champions rather than everyone generally responsible for everything. The structure would enable proposals to be fine-tuned and perfected by those who follow the area most closely, enabling the full LNC to vote on vetted proposals, as well as giving a clear line of sight for staff as they carry out their duties.

While there was strong interest in the idea, it was not enough to come up for a vote. Consequently, I propose establishing a revised version of the committees as **Chair's Advisory Committees**, to assist and advise me in working with staff to formulate goals, monitor progress, and assist in execution. If this proof of concept is successful, the LNC may if it chooses make the structure permanent as standing committees.

Committees shall consist of LNC members (including alternates), and outside members as selected by the LNC, with each LNC member (including alternate) who chooses to participate being on at least one and no more than two committees. The LNC Chair shall solicit each LNC member's ranked preference for committee choices and present a list of assignments to the LNC for its consideration, modification, and approval. Each committee shall elect a chair and a vice chair from its members at its first meeting. The LNC Chair and LNC Vice Chair shall be ex officio non-voting members of all five committees. Committee chairs have full voting privileges. Each committee shall meet regularly, monthly if practicable, by phone, web conference, or in-person.

Activism & Membership

Strengthen our staff by collaboratively setting goals and reviewing metrics and strategy relating to activities that:

- Attract and retain volunteers and members
- Honor great achievements and respect those who make them happen
- Provide common outreach, lobbying/protest, and grassroots engagement resources and opportunities to activists and affiliates nationwide
- Reinforce fundraising and campaign support objectives
- Increase vote totals for Libertarian candidates

Budget & Operations

Strengthen our staff by collaboratively setting goals and reviewing metrics and strategy relating to activities that:

- Follow the adopted budget, or proposed amendments to the budget, that reflect the goals adopted by the LNC
- Ensure positive net cash flow, adequate cash reserve, and positive net assets

- Ensure 100% compliance with legal obligations
- Adopt best practices for staff talent development, human resources, and risk management
- Plan for staff needs, recruitment, and spending needed to advance long-term goals
- Ensure safe, modern, and accountable use of resources

Campaigns & Elected Officials

Strengthen our staff by collaboratively setting goals and reviewing metrics and strategy relating to activities that:

- Elect and re-elect Libertarians to public office
- Identify affiliate and candidate needs
- Promote trainings in best practices in campaign tactics and techniques
- Recruit candidates
- Prioritize 50+DC ballot access

Development

Strengthen our staff by collaboratively setting goals and reviewing metrics and strategy relating to activities that:

- Raise the funds as envisioned in the adopted budget
- Contribute to positive net cash flow
- Involve clear strategies for prospecting and qualifying donors, and related metrics (# meetings, direct mail response rates, etc.)
- Adopt clear strategies for asking donors, and related metrics (dollars raised, renewal rates, etc.)
- Adopt clear strategies for stewarding and cultivating donors, and related metrics (renewal rates, etc.)
- Assist staff in fundraising events and trainings

Marketing & Media

Strengthen our staff by collaboratively setting goals and reviewing metrics and strategy relating to activities that:

- Enhance the Party's public standing and promote its brand
- Obtain positive media attention for the accomplishments and activities of the Party
- Identify target audiences and improve awareness of the Party among them
- Adequately promote new initiatives and projects
- Ensure LNC positions are accurate, principled, and timely

Policies & Procedures

Recommend proposed modifications to the Policy Manual and other rules not under the purview of the Bylaws & Rules Committee, review and fine-tune resolutions of LNC public positions, and ensure the LNC meets the highest ethical standards.

Proposed Policy Manual Change to Ballot Access Committee

Background: The Ballot Access Committee currently consists of Dustin Nanna, John Phillips, Bill Redpath, Chris Thrasher, and Richard Winger, and is deeply engaged in assisting or coordinating ballot access drives in 13 states. As currently written, the Policy Manual would require changing its membership in the middle of ballot access season, and removing at least one of Mr. Redpath, Mr. Thrasher, or Mr. Winger, all of whom are contributing to our ongoing ballot access efforts.

The below change to the Policy Manual would modestly expand the size of the committee to retain its current members, allow the appointment of an additional LNC member and one additional non-LNC member, and otherwise preserve its membership through the completion of ballot access drives.

CURRENT LANGUAGE PROPOSED CHANGE WOULD READ IF ADOPTED Ballot Access: Five (5) Party Ballot Access: Seven (7) Five Ballot Access: Seven (7) members, no less than three (5) Party members, no less Party members, no less than three (3) of which shall be (3) of which shall be LNC than three (3) of which shall members be LNC members LNC members [...] [...] [...] With the exception of the With the exception of the With the exception of the **Convention Oversight Convention Oversight** Convention Oversight Committee, the terms of Committee and Ballot Committee and Ballot Access Committee, the Access Committee, the office of all project terms of office of all project managers, committee chairs, terms of office of all project and committee members managers, committee chairs, managers, committee chairs, shall expire with the and committee members and committee members administration that appoints shall expire with the shall expire with the administration that appoints administration that appoints them, or when their successors are chosen, them, or when their them, or when their whichever occurs first. The successors are chosen. successors are chosen, term of office for the whichever occurs first. The whichever occurs first. The **Convention Oversight** term of office for the term of office for the Committee shall expire **Convention Oversight Convention Oversight** Committee shall expire Committee shall expire ninety (90) days following the close of the convention. ninety (90) days following ninety (90) days following the close of the convention. the close of the convention. The term of office for the The term of office for the **Ballot Access Committee Ballot Access Committee** shall expire on September 30 shall expire on September 30 of each even-numbered year. of each even-numbered year.

Proposed Policy Manual Change to Executive Session

Background: The delegates adopted Bylaws Proposal 11 making certain changes to Executive Session procedures: "The LNC and all of its committees shall conduct all votes and actions in open session; executive session may only be used for discussion of personnel matters, contractual negotiations, pending or potential litigation, or political strategy requiring confidentiality."

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topics listed below, a	personnel matters,	personnel matters,
majority of the LNC Members	contractual negotiations,	contractual negotiations,
voting is required for	pending or potential	pending or potential
passage.	litigation, or political	litigation, or political strategy
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pending, or past)	confidentiality. If the list of	majority of the committee
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 Personnel matters 	voting is required for	in Executive Session.
(including evaluation,	passage.	Discussion of action which
compensation, hiring, or	• Legal matters (potential,	may be taken in Open
dismissal)	pending, or past)	Session can occur.
 Board self-evaluation 	• Regulatory and compliance	
• Strategic issues (only those	matters (potential, pending,	No recording shall be made
requiring confidentiality)	or past)	or minutes taken except for
 Negotiations (potential, 	 Contractual compliance 	the topics of political
pending, or past)	• Personnel matters	strategy or contractual
	(including evaluation,	negotiations; however, such
Other topics require a two-	compensation, hiring, or	recordings and minutes shall
thirds (2/3) vote of LNC.	dismissal)	only be made available to
	Board self-evaluation	members of the LNC until

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No recording shall be made or minutes taken of the following topics:

- Legal matters (potential, pending, or past)
- Regulatory and compliance matters (potential, pending, or past)
- Contractual compliance
- Personnel matters (including evaluation, compensation, hiring, or dismissal)
- · Board self-evaluation

Recordings shall be made and minutes taken of the following topics. However, such recordings and minutes shall only be made available to members of the LNC until such time as the LNC—by a two-thirds (2/3) vote—incorporates such recordings and minutes into its public records. Nothing in this section shall require the LNC to ever make these records public:

- Strategic issues (only those requiring confidentiality)
- Negotiations (potential, pending, or past)

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Other topics require a twothirds (2/3) vote of LNC.

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- Contractual compliance
- Personnel matters (including evaluation, compensation, hiring, or dismissal)
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Any Member who is unwilling to commit to maintaining confidentiality regarding any particular Executive Session is obligated to excuse themselves from the entire Executive Session and to request that the Secretary note their absence from the Executive Session in the minutes of the meeting.

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