

DRAFT MINUTES – 2026 LPCO ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

APRIL 18, 2026

DOUBLETREE HOTEL AURORA, COLORADO

- Call to Order (9:03 am)
- Introductions
 - Convention Chair – Keith Laube
 - Convention Secretary – Robin Early
 - Parliamentarian – Mike Seebeck
 - Credentials Committee – Jeff Orrok
- Appointments
 - Timekeeper – Mike Seebeck
 - Projectionist – Robin Early
 - Audio/Video – Reyd Dotson
 - Teller Team – Jacob Luria, John Hjersman, Marc Montoni
 - Sergeant-at-Arms – Marc Montoni
- Credentials Committee Report – Jeff Orrok
 - All credentialed names were posted on the screen for review
 - 90 Delegates reported
 - Amended to 93 Majority is 47, 2/3 is 62

- Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Nick Sarwark made the motion to adopt the agenda

Second: Blake Huber

Result: passes without objection

Motion: Caryn Ann Harlos made the motion to suspend the rules **to consider** the adoption of a convention rule of order for plurality voting for national delegates, the top 35 for anyone that wants to go, can go.

Second: Daniel Lutz

Vote: yes: 50, no: 37

Result: Does not pass with 2/3rd of vote

- Treasurer Report – Allison Spink presented the financials. The current federal account balance is \$37,232.92 and the current state account balance is -\$7,355.11.
- Nomination of National Convention Delegates and Alternates (Colorado is allotted 35 delegates). Voting will be done by signed ballot per Bylaws. After nominations are made, ballots will be printed for voting later during the convention. The following members were nominated.

-Keith Laube

-Doug Mangeris

-BetteRose Ryan

- Caryn Ann Harlos
- Wayne Harlos
- Marc Montoni
- Joe Johnson
- Doug Jones
- Nicolas Sarwark
- Robin Early
- Jesse Campbell
- Brian Flanagan
- Lee Ormiston
- Jeff Orrok
- Joe Thompson
- John Hjersman
- Blake Huber
- Chester Ptak
- David Wood
- Elizabeth Wood

Nominations from the floor:

Caryn Ann Harlos nominates all names listed above in addition to the following.

- Cory Robertson
- Seth Levy
- Tim Johnson
- Richard Graf

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add Aaron Lamb and Dan Salis

Second: Caryn All Harlos

Result: Passes unanimously, the delegates now total 95, (majority is 48, 2/3 =64).

- Board Elections

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to suspend the rules to vote by count of hands vs ballots.

Second: Daniel Lutz

Result: Passes unanimously

- Board Position for Outreach Director

John Hjersman - 47

Kirsten Steinke – 35

NOTA- 0

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Credentials added 1 more (John Angle) but needs to be added between outreach and secretary.

Point of order by CAH appealing the ruling of the chair, John Angle heard the speeches and should be allowed to vote.

Chair rules that the amended report would have to happen after the motion to allow him to vote on Outreach. Voting For the chair ruling or against the chair ruling

Vote:

Yay: 55

Nay: 22

Result: Chairs ruling is upheld.

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add 2 more delegates for a total of 97 delegates

Result: passes by 2/3 vote (majority is $49 \frac{2}{3} = 65$)

- Board position for Secretary

NOTA - 0

Robin Early - 46

Elisio Gonzales – 39

- Board position for Legislative Director

Michael Stapleton was nominated but he was not in attendance, so he was ineligible

NOTA - 0

Nick Sarwark - 45

Ross Metler – 46

- Board position for Treasurer

NOTA - 24

Allison Spink – 62

- Board position Fundraising Director

NOTA - 1

William Long - 44

BetteRose Ryan – 50

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add 1 more for a total of 98 delegates.

Result: Passes by 2/3 vote

- Board position for Membership Director

NOTA - 1

Jeff Orrok - 49

James Ellis – 41

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add 2 more delegates making the total 100.

Second: Cory Robertson

Result: Passes by 2/3 vote

- Judicial Committee Elections (5 open positions) – Members of the Judicial Committee must have been a basic member for the past 3 years per Bylaws. Judicial Committee members are elected by approval voting per Bylaws. We will take a vote by a counted show of hands.

Nominations:

Cory Robertson -44

Caryn Ann Harlos -40

Jesse Campbell -49

Norm Olson - 28

Kyle Furey-43

Jacob Luria- 66

Clayton Casciato - 38

Aron Lam - 36

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add 1 more delegate making the total 101 (majority is 51, 2/3 =68).

Result: Passes by 2/3 vote

Ballots for National Convention Delegates were passed out before lunch.

Lunch Break

- *Credentials Committee Update*

Motion: Jeff Orrok made the motion to amend the Credentials Report to add 2 more delegates making the total 103 (majority is 52, 2/3 =69).

Result: Passes by 2/3 vote

Nominations of Candidates for Partisan Offices

- **Motion:** Joe Johnson made the motion to challenge the ruling of the chair. To change the voting process and do hand voting vs. paper ballot if only one person is running against NOTA for the position and use paper ballots for contested races where 2 or more people are running for the position. (a yes vote uphold the chairs decision to do paper ballots, no vote for show of hand voting)

Result: Motion to challenge the ruling of the chair passes by majority vote

Federal Candidates

U.S. Senate

- NOTA 2
- Blake Huber 66

Congressional District 1

- NOTA 0
- Chad Humphrey 61

Congressional District 2

- NOTA 0
- Gaylon Kent 70

Congressional District 3

- NOTA 0
- Cory Robertson 53

Congressional District 4

- NOTA 14
- Douglas Mangeris 45

Congressional District 5

- NOTA 20
- Mark "Marky Jr" Elworth 46

Congressional District 6

- NOTA 0
- Patty McMahon 63

Congressional District 7

- NOTA 26
- Dan Sallis 48

Congressional District 8

- NOTA 22
- David Wood 55

State Candidates

Governor

- NOTA 0
- Eric Mulder 73

Lieutenant Governor

- NOTA 0
- Wayne Harlos 63

Secretary of State

- NOTA 0
- Sean Vadney 45
- Alex Astley 24

State Treasurer

-Elisio Gonzales (he was nominated but declined)

State Board of Education District 1

-NOTA 0

-Clayton Casciato 57

Motion to open nominations for State Treasurer Caryn Ann

Second: Clayton Casciato

Motion passes unanimously

Allison Spink is nominated by Caryn Ann Harlos and she accepts the nomination

State Treasurer

-NOTA 0

-Allison Spink 53

State Board of Education District 7

-NOTA 0

-Ross Klopff 46

A call for quorum was made and there were 66 delegates present.

University of Colorado Board of Regents District 2

-NOTA 0

-Richard Friend 47

University of Colorado Board of Regents District 6

-NOTA 0

-Joe Johnson 58

University of Colorado Board of Regents District 7

-NOTA 0

-BetteRose Ryan 65

State Senate

State Senate District 1

-NOTA 0

-Aron Lam 52

State Senate District 11

-NOTA 2

-Janet Turner 50

State Senate District 25

-NOTA 0

-Jodie Barr 40

State Senate District 27

-NOTA 0

-Michele R. Poague 52

State Senate District 34

- NOTA 0
- Jacob Luria 54

State Senate District 35

- NOTA 0
- Richard Graf 54

State House

State House District 7

- NOTA 0
- Jeff Wilson 43

State House District 15

- NOTA 0
- Doug Jones 46

State House District 16

- NOTA 8
- John C. Hjersman 39

State House District 17

- NOTA 0
- John Angle 48

State House District 19

- NOTA 6
- Tim Johnson 44

State House District 23

- Ross Metler nominated at Jefferson County Convention

State House District 36

- NOTA 0
- Andrew (Andy) Gibson 42

State House District 38

- NOTA 0
- Norm Olsen 47

State House District 44

- NOTA 0
- John Sutton 44

State House District 45

- NOTA 1
- Caryn Ann Harlos 47

State House District 48

- NOTA 0
- Eric E. Joss 56

State House District 56

- NOTA 0
- Amy Lunde 49

State House District 61

- NOTA 1
- Kevin L. Gulbranson 46

State House District 62

- NOTA 0
- Donald Vermillion 49

State House District 64

- NOTA 0
- Charles McCollum 47

County

Arapahoe County Treasurer

- NOTA 0
- Bennett Rutledge 49

Arapahoe County Assessor

- NOTA 0
- Lee Ormiston 54

Clear Creek County Commissioner

- NOTA 0
- Daniel Lutz 54

Jeff Orrok gave the results of National Convention Delegates voting and all 24 nominated delegates were elected.

Motion to Adjourn – Joe Johnson

Second – Eric Mulder

Result: Passes without objection

Adjournment Sine Die 4:40 pm

Minutes submitted by Robin Early, Secretary LPCO