



## Board of Directors Approved Meeting Minutes September 14, 2026

### 1) CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Libertarian Party of Colorado Board was called to order by Chair Keith Laube at 7:30 P.M.

### 2) ROLL CALL

| Board Position          | Name           | Status                            |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Chair                   | Keith Laube    | Present                           |
| Vice Chair              | Doug Jones     | Present                           |
| Secretary               | Robin Early    | Present                           |
| Treasurer               | Vacant         | N/A                               |
| Affiliates Director     | Vacant         | N/A                               |
| Campaigns Director      | Joe Johnson    | Present                           |
| Communications Director | Sean Vadney    | Present                           |
| Fundraising Director    | BetteRose Ryan | Present                           |
| Outreach Director       | John Hjersman  | Present                           |
| Legislative Director    | Ross Metler    | Absent – Proxy<br>was Jacob Luria |
| Membership Director     | Jeff Orrok     | Present                           |

**Quorum:** Of the Board's eleven (11) voting members, a quorum requires a majority (six). Eight (8) members were present in person and one (Legislative Director Ross Metler) participated by proxy (Jacob Luria). The Chair declared a quorum present.

### 3) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** To add two items to the agenda

Under Unfinished Business: discussion of moving member comment to the beginning of the meeting (requested by Campaigns Director Joe Johnson; previously postponed).

Legislative Director's proxy Jacob Luria introduced, for discussion, a fundraising proposal from the Eric Mulder for U.S. Senate campaign. The proposal had not been received by the Board in writing in time to be placed formally on the agenda and was addressed later under Board Announcements.

**Moved:** Keith Laube

**Result:** Approved without objection, as amended.

## 4) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Result:** Approved without objection

## 5) TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Allison Spink completed a reconciliation of the bank account against the Tracer report. The current bank balance is \$6,517.37; the Tracer report reflects \$6,049.14 — a discrepancy of approximately \$500 to be resolved next month.

A review of prior years' records identified some items that were not properly documented; the Board may need to make a donation to another entity (a possible donation to the Independence Institute was mentioned) to correct this. This will be brought back as an action item next month.

The amount borrowed against the Federal Account remains at approximately \$19,000.

In early August, Chair Laube requested that the Secretary of State's office waive late TRACER filing penalties; no response had been received as of this meeting.

## 6) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### a. Tracer filing delinquencies – Denver County and Douglas County affiliates

Douglas County: Membership Director Jeff Orrok reported the affiliate is still awaiting a response from committee.

Denver County: Jacob Luria reported that an \$800 Secretary of State fine was reduced to \$100 on waiver, plus a separate \$50 fine, for a total of \$150 owed to the Secretary of State. Denver County has since held new elections and seated a new chair, treasurer, and board. No action was taken; informational update only.

### b. Member comment placement

The Board discussed a request to allow members to speak on specific agenda items at the time those items are considered, rather than only during general member comments at the end of the meeting. Points raised included the difficulty of an in-meeting virtual sign-up process (Joe Johnson), a suggestion to hold separate quarterly or monthly committee/board hearings for member input (Jeff Orrok), and whether Robert's Rules treats board meetings as committee meetings (Doug Jones). The Chair clarified that members may also raise agenda concerns in advance with their board representative or in writing.

**Motion:** That members who wish to speak on a specific agenda item submit a request to the Secretary in advance of the meeting and be recognized to speak when that item is taken up, in addition to the existing general member comment period at the end of the meeting.

**Moved:** Joe Johnson

**Second:** Robin Early

**Discussion:** The Board agreed that a specific per-speaker time limit should be codified in the Standing Rules rather than set ad hoc by the Chair.

**Result:** Approved in concept without objection. Joe Johnson and Jeff Orrok were asked to draft specific standing-rule language, including time limits, for adoption at a future meeting.

## 7) NEW BUSINESS

a. **Clear Creek County affiliate charter application**

**Motion:** To charter Clear Creek County as an LPCO affiliate

**Moved:** Jeff Orrok

**Second:** Sean Vadney

**Discussion:** The Board discussed the proper procedure for future affiliate Tracer registration (Board approval prior to state filing) and agreed the Chair would follow up with the Secretary of State's office regarding LPCO's authority over affiliate registration and naming

**Result:** Approved without objection

b. Endorsement of Longmont ballot initiative – Charter Amendments 1 and 2

**Motion:** To endorse Charter Amendment 2 on the City of Longmont Ballot, on behalf of the Libertarian Party of Colorado Board.

**Moved:** Jacob Luria

**Second:** Doug Jones

**Result:** Approved by roll call vote (7 Yes, 1 No, 1 Abstention)

c. Member and policy behavior / chain of command

This agenda item was deferred without objection due to time constraints and was not addressed at this meeting.

d. Social Media approval workflow

**Motion:** That the Board appoint a person to oversee the implementation and administration of a social media review and approval platform for LPCO social media accounts; that the appointed approver establish reasonable rules for social media conduct, including standards for responding to public comments in the party's name; that the approver have authority to recruit and manage approved contributors and establish the workflow for submitting, reviewing, approving, and scheduling posts; and that the Board authorize expenditure of up to \$100 per month for a social media approval platform.

**Moved:** Doug Jones

**Second:** Robin Early

**Discussion:** Following discussion (Joe Johnson, Jacob Luria) that this responsibility more properly falls under the Communications Director's existing duties, the motion was amended to designate the approver as the Communications Director, or his appointee, rather than naming an individual. Jeff Orrok requested that the Communications Director consult others knowledgeable about social media platforms before selecting one; Joe Johnson noted the Board's practice of obtaining a minimum of three proposals before approving an expenditure of member funds.

**Motion to Postpone:** To postpone the item to the October meeting and direct the Communications Director to research options (a minimum of three proposals) and return a recommendation to the Board.

**Moved:** Joe Johnson

**Second:** Jeff Orrok

**Result:** Failed by roll call vote (3 Yes, 6 No).

**Result (main motion, as amended):** Approved by roll call vote (7 Yes, 2 No).

e. Guidance and empowerment for committees – electronic meeting rules

Membership Director Jeff Orrok presented proposed special rules, adapted from the sample electronic-meeting rules in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (12th ed.), to allow the Bylaws and Platform Committees (and other Board committees) to meet electronically.

**Motion:** To adopt the amended sample rules as presented in the board packet.

**Moved:** Jeff Orrok

**Second:** Joe Johnson (for purposes of discussion)

**Discussion:** Questions were raised about whether committees may adopt their own rules, and about requiring committees to record meetings or keep formal minutes.

**Amendment:** Chair Laube proposed amending the motion to add only the notice provision from Jeff Orrok's proposed rules — requiring the Corresponding Secretary to notify members of each electronic meeting at least 24 hours in advance, with connection information (URL, dial-in number, and access codes) — to the Board's existing Special Rules of Order, rather than adopting the full set of sample rules.

**Second:** Jeff Orrok

**Discussion:** The Board discussed whether committees should be required to record meetings or keep minutes. Chair Laube expressed the view that Board committees generally function as advisory work sessions rather than decision-making bodies and should not be required to record meetings or keep formal minutes. Vice Chair Doug Jones moved the previous question on the amendment.

**Result of amendment:** Approved without objection.

**Result (main motion, as amended):** Approved without objection. The Secretary was asked to provide Jeff Orrok with a copy of the Board's current Special Rules of Order.

## BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Jeff Orrok reminded the Board of a memorial service this Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at Newcomer's, 901 South Sheridan Boulevard, Lakewood, followed by a reception at his home, 2623 South Iris, Lakewood. All are welcome.
- b. Jeff Orrok rescinded his earlier objection to holding the 2026 Convention later in the year, targeting September and no later than the first week of October, to allow time to receive delegate information from the National Party before voting on National delegates.
- c. Joe Johnson announced a fundraising banquet for the Hardman campaign (Clear Creek County) a week from this Saturday; details are available on the campaign's website.
- d. Joe Johnson introduced Matt DiGiallonardo, representing the Eric Mulder for U.S. Senate campaign, who presented a proposed 50/50 joint fundraiser: LPCO would post one item of campaign-provided content per day on its social media accounts for approximately one week, directing donors to LPCO's existing donation portal; new (non-recurring) donations received during that period would be split 50/50 between LPCO and the Mulder campaign, with each donor's information reported by both parties for Tracer purposes. Jacob Luria confirmed such an arrangement is permissible under state election law. The consensus of the Board was that no Board vote was required, as no party funds are being expended; the Campaigns, Communications, and Fundraising Directors were asked to coordinate the details (including timing) with Matt and to inform Treasurer Allison Spink so contributions can be properly documented for Tracer reporting.

## 8) MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Caryn Ann Harlos suggested a simpler approach to member comments: a fixed 10-minute period at the start of the meeting, up to 2 minutes per speaker, with no sign-up sheet required, extendable by a board member's motion — the practice historically used by LPCO and currently used by the National LP. She recommended member comments not be limited strictly to agenda items, noted that committees do not typically have secretaries or keep formal minutes, encouraged (but did not propose requiring) recording of virtual meetings for transparency, and urged the Board to keep committee meetings open to observers and to reinstate the public email discussion list to help develop future leaders.

Jeff Orrok concurred, recalling that member comments were historically limited to one to two minutes per speaker (extendable) within a 10-minute total, and noted that a guest in attendance had not been

introduced or given an opportunity to speak.

## **9) ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Keith moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Robin Early, Secretary