

Brian Holtz for Judicial Committee



Elected
Libertarian:
Purissima Hills
Water Board

3-time LP
candidate for
Congress in
Silicon Valley

Drafted the LP's
current "Pure
Principles"
Platform

Life member
since 1999



If you want the Bylaws and Statement of Principles enforced as they are written, then consider re-electing me to JudCom.

If you don't want them enforced, then please change them, or vote for someone else.

Dissent in 2011 LPOR case

I do not agree with the majority that the government is the default arbiter of what entity in a state is the Libertarian Party of that state.

The majority's ruling means that inertia in record-keeping by the government can trump the operation of the bylaws that Libertarians voluntarily agree to. The Oregon SoS already wrote: "we are unable to process any changes without written approval from the current chair of record of the Libertarian Party of Oregon". The dead hand of an Oregon government webmaster will now control LNC affiliation in Oregon.

The Libertarian Party Platform asserts that political parties are "private voluntary groups" that "should be allowed to establish their own rules". The government might currently impose on us the rules of its game, but we should at least demand to decide who our team is.

Ruling on 2012 registration fees

Bylaw 11.3.a distinguishes between "accreditation" and "registration": "delegates shall be those so accredited who have registered at the Convention." The Bylaws thus mention "registration" but do not describe it. Robert's describes "registration" and says it "normally" includes "paying the registration fee."

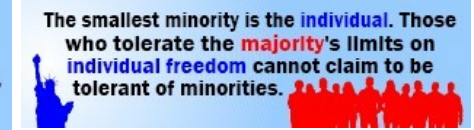
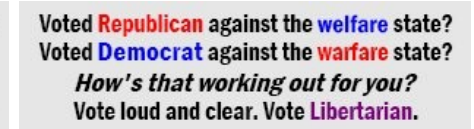
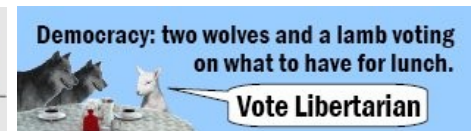
If an implementation of registration is reasonable (e.g. signing in, paying a cost-sharing fee, getting a photo badge), then an affiliate's autonomy is not abridged just because some of their delegates decide not to comply with the registration process. Robert's Rules does not preclude charging some members for activities that not all members undertake.

Some argue that not having a registration fee is a custom that has now become binding. In the absence of reliable evidence about this alleged custom, the Party of Principle should be governed not by lore but by the text of its rules.

Convention Floor Drinking Game

Drink twice for events with italics. Finish drink for events in bold.

- Aaron Starr arrives wearing a leather jacket
- Starchild arrives *not* wearing a sash
- Any delegate arrives in a Guy Fawkes mask
- Any delegate arrives in a Guy Fawkes mask *and is accompanied by an actual woman*
- Ernest Hancock says he saw the Ron Paul revolution coming
- Wayne Root criticizes someone as too liberal / left-wing
- Wayne Root criticizes someone *as too conservative / right-wing*
- Phillies criticizes someone as "Republican"
- Phillies *criticizes Ron Paul* as "Republican"
- **Phillies criticizes Ron Paul as "Republican" before Treasurer election**
- Gary Johnson gets compared to Bob Barr
- Bob Sullentrup makes a baseball analogy
- Debate on a platform plank is extended
- Debate on abortion plank is *not* extended
- Chuck Moulton offers a Bylaws change from the floor
- Nick Sarwark moves to change voting or election procedures
- Somebody offers a "9/11 Truth" resolution
- **It passes**
- Starchild talks for more than 25% of a Platform plank's allotted debate time
- Dan Wiener notes that the LPCA once named him permanent "elder statesman"
- Somebody quotes from Robert's Rules
- *Somebody points out we now use Robert's 11th edition instead of the 10th edition*
- A delegate offers debate and then immediately calls the question
- M Carling uses a point of information to debate a non-debatable motion
- Ernest Hancock talks about "shiny badges"
- Marc Montoni looks at someone on his enemies list and forgets to glare
- A veteran infighter says "the enemy is not in this room"
- Lee Wrights says he is not at war
- Wes Wagner invokes the pending LPOR lawsuit to dodge a question about him purging his enemies and dissolving the LPOR bylaws and judicial committee
- A delegate asks to suspend the rules
- *An Oregon delegate* asks to suspend the rules
- **Wes Wagner asks to suspend the rules**



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