



Libertarian Party of Indiana

Bylaws Amendments proposals

Saturday, March 21, 2026

1. Larry Silver – Hancock County

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Bylaws Committee Note: The difference between \$20 and \$25 is very low, so it would be unlikely to generate any more sign-ups, and would impose a large administrative burden on the website management, membership director, etc. Plus it may create a perverse incentive such that people will wait to sign up until the discount window.

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Section 5. Officers.

1. **Four Officers.** The Officers of the LPIN shall be a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. No offices shall be combined.
2. **Election of Officers.** During odd-numbered years the Officers of the State Central Committee shall be elected at the Annual Business Meeting at the State Convention. The Officer for any race shall be chosen by majority vote of secret ballots. If there is only one nomination for the office the election may be made by acclamation. If no candidate has attained a majority, the candidate with the fewest votes and any candidates with less than 5% shall be struck from subsequent ballots. This procedure shall be repeated after every ballot in which no candidate



has received a majority vote, until one candidate attains a majority. None of the above shall always be an option on these ballots. Officers shall take office upon the close of the Annual Business Meeting and serve thereafter until the final adjournment of the next Annual Business Meeting held during an odd-numbered year in which their successor is elected.

3. The Chairperson shall be the chief executive officer of the LPIN, presiding over all meetings of the party, its state conventions and business meetings, and meetings of the State Central Committee. The Chairperson is the official spokesperson for the LPIN, subject to the dictates of the State Central Committee.
4. **Vice Chairperson.** The Vice Chairperson shall serve as presiding officer in the absence of the Chairperson, and shall execute the duties of the Chairperson during any period of incapacity or vacancy. The Vice Chairperson shall be responsible for the committee work of the LPIN and shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees.
5. The Secretary shall record the minutes of the Annual Business Meeting and all meetings of the State Central Committee. The Secretary shall be the custodian of the minutes of all meetings, correspondence, committee reports, any standing rules, Petitions for Affiliation from affiliated County Organizations, and these bylaws and amendments.
6. The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds, receiving and disposing of the funds at the discretion of the State Central Committee and subject to any standing rules. The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer responsible for the filing of all campaign finance forms for the LPIN. The Treasurer shall have the responsibility for maintaining an LPIN mailing list, including a list of Members of the LPIN, as well as the responsibility of notifying Members of the forthcoming expiration of their membership and seeking their renewal.
7. **Removal of Officers.** Officers may be removed from the State Central Committee by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the entire membership of the committee. Directors may be removed from the State Central Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire membership of the committee.
8. The State Central Committee shall fill all vacancies of Officers and Directors by appointment. In event of dismissal, removal or resignation of any Officer or Director, the State Central Committee shall notify all Chairpersons of affiliated County Organizations of the vacancy. Such notification shall occur at least ten (10) days before the vacancy is filled.
9. **Interim Appointments.** In the event of a vacancy or incapacity of an Officer the Chairperson may make an Interim Appointment to execute the duties of the Officer until the vacancy is filled or the incapacity ends. The Chairperson shall immediately notify the State Central Committee of any Interim Appointment, and the failure to provide notice shall invalidate such an appointment. The State Central Committee may override an Interim Appointment by the Chairperson or may make an Interim Appointment under this provision by a majority vote of the entire membership of the committee.

Add 10. Up to 10% of any donation over \$1,000 from first-time donors, excluding revenue from ticket events, may be paid to the eligible party officer (Chair or Vice Chair) who solicited the donation.

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Bylaws Committee Note: We don't think this would be as negative as the other two, but it would require a system to track who solicited donations, and for equity's sake should probably be afforded to the whole SCC. There also becomes a question of "who gets the credit" if multiple people talk to a potential donor. It also might bump up against Executive Director or Fundraising Director duties if we ever get one.

These proposed bylaws amendments are presented in the order they were received.