



2020 LPF Rules Committee
Proposed Constitution changes

Motion 2020-ABM-C-1

Title: Motion to Amend LPF Constitution Art. II, "Member bill of rights"

Mover: Philippe Cadorette for the Rules Committee

Motion: I move to amend the LPF constitution by replacing the existing section 2, adding new sections and renumbering as necessary

ARTICLE II Membership

Section 1. LPF membership is open to any LPF voter who signs the pledge: "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals," and asks to be a member of the LPF.

~~Section 2. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules may have the effect of imposing a head tax on the membership.~~

Section 2. Members of the party have the right to participate in party business without any monetary encumbrance imposed by the party.

Section 3. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules may have the effect of disenfranchising a member.

Section 4. Members of the LPF are entitled to attend the annual business meeting of the county affiliate in whose jurisdiction they reside, and to vote on the elected positions and the Constitution and/or Bylaws thereof.

Section 5. The members of the party shall have, in all elections of the party and its affiliates, the right to select None of the Above (hereinafter referred to as NOTA) on the ballot, as defined in the Bylaws of the Libertarian Party.

Section 6. Members of the party have the right to attend their state and county affiliate executive committee meetings except during executive session.

Section 7. Members of the party have the right to address the executive committees of the county in which they reside and of the state of Florida on their own initiative for 3 minutes on any topic during a regularly scheduled meeting. Those executive committees retain a right to require a 5 business day notice to schedule the speaking time.

Section 48. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules shall deny the autonomy of an individual member or an affiliate party, except as provided in the Constitution.

Section 9. The enumeration in this Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage other rights retained by the members, and in all cases the powers of the party are limited to those prescribed in the statutes of the state of Florida and the governing documents of the LPF.

Section 510. Certain rights and privileges of membership, including delegate status, committee appointments and observation of committee meetings, holding LPF state or affiliate party office, exercise of voting rights in the conduct of any Libertarian Party of Florida business, and the right to bring business before the Annual Business Meeting, shall be available only to LPF members who are registered LPF voters in the state of Florida and shall not be available to members and officers of any other political party. Persons ineligible for such rights and privileges may participate in discussion on items of business brought before the membership, subject to the discretion of the Chair or by a two-thirds (2/3s) majority vote of the body.

Language as amended will read:

ARTICLE II Membership

Section 1. LPF membership is open to any LPF voter who signs the pledge: "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals," and asks to be a member of the LPF.

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Section 9. The enumeration in this Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage other rights retained by the members, and in all cases the powers of the party are limited to those prescribed in the statutes of the state of Florida and the governing documents of the LPF.

Section 10. Certain rights and privileges of membership, including delegate status, committee appointments and observation of committee meetings, holding LPF state or affiliate party office, exercise of voting rights in the conduct of any Libertarian Party of Florida business, and the right to bring business before the Annual Business Meeting, shall be available only to LPF members who are registered LPF voters in the state of Florida and shall not be available to members and officers of any other political party. Persons ineligible for such rights and privileges may participate in discussion on items of business brought before the membership, subject to the discretion of the Chair or by a two-thirds (2/3s) majority vote of the body.

Motion 2020-ABM-C-2

Title: Motion to amend Membership Status in **LPF Constitution, Article II**, adding a new final Section

Mover: Philippe Cadorette for the Rules Committee

Motion: I move to amend the LPF Constitution Article II, by adding new language to Section 1 and adding a final Section with renumbering as necessary:

ARTICLE II Membership

Section 1. LPF membership is open to any LPF voter who signs the pledge: "I hereby certify that I do not believe in or advocate the initiation of force as a means of achieving political or social goals," and asks to be a member of the LPF. Ineligibility under this section shall immediately terminate LPF membership.

Section 2. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules may have the effect of imposing a head tax on the membership.

Section 3. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules may have the effect of disenfranchising a member.

Section 4. No change in the Bylaws or Standing Rules shall deny the autonomy of an individual member or an affiliate party, except as provided in the Constitution.

Section 5. Certain rights and privileges of membership, including delegate status, committee appointments and observation of committee meetings, holding LPF state or affiliate party office, exercise of voting rights in the conduct of any Libertarian Party of Florida business, and the right to bring business before the Annual Business Meeting, shall be available only to LPF members who are registered LPF voters in the state of Florida and shall not be available to members and officers of any other political party. Persons ineligible for such rights and privileges may participate in discussion on items of business brought before the membership, subject to the discretion of the Chair or by a two-thirds (2/3s) majority vote of the body.

Section 6. Any elected or appointed offices, seats, LPF committee memberships or positions held shall be immediately forfeited upon termination of membership. Members in good standing at the time of their termination may request to be members upon their demonstration of eligibility, and taking the NAP pledge. The LPF membership term resets to the current approval date.

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