#### **NOTICE OF CONVENTION**

Please take notice that the Libertarian Party of Kentucky, State Executive Committee, has called a **SPECIAL CONVENTION**, for its District 5 Members, under Article VII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Libertarian Party of Kentucky. **The purpose of this convention is for the Chartering and organization of the District 5 Executive Committee, to be an affiliate of the Libertarian Party of Kentucky, and the agenda is set forth below.** 

The State Executive Committee Chair, or his designee, shall serve as Chair of this Convention until or unless replaced as provided in the State Party Constitution. The State Executive Committee Secretary, or his designee, shall serve as Secretary of this Convention until or unless replaced as provided in the State Party Constitution. Convention Rules, as adopted by the State Party Executive Committee, can be obtained from the State Party Secretary. The credentials committee for this convention shall be the State Party Executive Committee Secretary, or his designee, and up to two other persons appointed by him.

CONVENTION DATE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

CONVENTION LOCATION: HOLIDAY INN CONFERENCE ROOM
192 Corporate Dr, Hazard, KY 41701

**CONVENTION TIME:** 10:00 a.m. Check-in. 10:30 Call to order

# **AGENDA:**

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Credentials Committee/Check-In

10:30 a.m. – Call to Order

10:30 a.m. – 10:35 a.m. – Presentation and approval of the Credentials Committee Report

10:35 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. – Presentation and approval of the Rules Committee Report

10:40 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. – Election of Convention Chair and Vice Chair

10:50 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. – Selection and vote on number of at-large representatives.

10:55 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Nominations for Chair, District 5

11:00 a.m. – 11:05 a.m. – Nominations for Vice Chair, District 5

11:05 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. – Nominations for Secretary, District 5

11:10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. – Nominations for Treasurer, District 5

11:15 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. – Nominations for At-Large, District 5

11:20 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Seconding speeches for officers, District 5

12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m. – Balloting for officers, District 5

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. – Lunch Recess

1:15 p.m. – 1:20 p.m. – Announcement of results

1:20 p.m. – 1:35 p.m. – Entertaining motions to affiliate/request affiliation with the Libertarian Party of Kentucky

1:45 p.m. -- Adjourn

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. First Executive Committee meeting for the Libertarian Party of Kentucky District 5 Executive Committee

I certify that the foregoing Notice was provided by electronic mail (if the party had an electronic mail address on file) and, if no electronic mail address was on file, via ordinary U.S. mail, to all Voting Members of the Party residing in Kentucky's 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, this \_28 day of July, 2017.

/s/Christopher Wiest State Secretary

#### **Special Convention Rules**

## 900.2 Delegates and Credentialing

## 900.2.1 Delegates to this District Convention shall be

- a. All "Voting Members" as defined in the current Constitution of the Libertarian Party of Kentucky, who have registered for the Convention as set forth in these rules, and checked into the Convention, as set forth in these rules:
- b. A "Putative Delegate" are those persons who are Voting Members, set forth above, who are Voting Members by the deadlines set forth above, but have either: (i) not checked in to the Convention; or (ii) have not registered for the Convention.

## 900.3 Registration for the Convention

Registration shall be opened, onsite, starting one half hour prior to the start of convention business, at the convention location. Any person who is a convention delegate shall then be permitted to register, provided he or she is in line to register by the time set for the start of convention business; registration shall be handled by the Credentials Committee.

# **900.4** Verification of Delegates

- 900.4.1 There is hereby created a Credentials Committee, which shall consist of the State Executive Committee Secretary, or his designee and up to two other persons appointed by him. The duties of the committee shall be as set forth in these Rules, and shall include verification of the credentials of delegates.
- 900.4.4 The Credentials Committee shall handle the check-in procedure for the Convention, and shall conduct check-ins during the one-half hour preceding the start of the convention, at the convention site. Any person who is on the list of Putative Delegates, shall be permitted to check in, provided he or she is in line to register by the time set for the start of business for the convention.
- 900.4.5 The Credentials Committee shall cross-reference registrations for the convention, with a list of Voting Members of the party, and those persons who have checked in, to determine who is permitted to vote as a Delegate to the convention.
- 900.4.6 Authorized Delegates, who are the only parties authorized to vote, shall be maintained in list format by the Credentials Committee, which shall also issue some form of identification for credentialed Delegates making it apparent who is permitted to vote in the convention.

# 900.5 Opening of the Convention, Presentation of the Report of the Credentials Committee and amendments thereto, and Adoption of Rules

- 900.5.1 The Chair shall not call the convention to order until the check in procedure above has concluded. The Chair of the Convention at the start of the convention shall be the Executive Committee Chairman, or his designee. The Secretary of the Convention at the start of the convention shall be the Executive Committee Secretary, or his designee.
- 900.5.2 Immediately after the Chair calls the convention to order, the first order of business shall be the Presentation of the Report of the Credentials Committee, which shall report those delegates authorized to vote. The Report may be, by the body of those delegates authorized to vote in the Report, debated, adopted or amended, by a simple majority vote. Putative Delegates shall be entitled, however, to be recognized on the floor, for a period of two minutes each, for the purposes of debating the Report of the Credentials Committee, but shall not be entitled to vote on the adoption or amendment of the Report.
- 900.5.3 No one can vote whose name is not on the list of delegates reported by the Credentials Committee, until it has been amended to add that person to the Report. Upon the motion to substitute one delegation for another, neither one can vote. Upon a motion to strike out the names of a delegation whose seats are contested any such person in that delegation cannot vote. But upon the main motion to accept the report, all persons whose names are on the list of members as reported by the committee and amended by the convention are entitled to vote, and they alone.
- 900.5.4 If there is a case of contest between two sets of delegates and there is serious doubt as to which is entitled to recognition, the Credentials Committee should omit both from the list and report the fact of the contest.
- 900.5.6 The second order of business shall be the election of a Convention Chair and Secretary; the Secretary shall keep minutes reflecting actions taken at the convention. The Chair shall be the Executive Committee Chair unless not present, or removed by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the convention body. The Secretary of the Executive Committee shall be the Secretary of the Convention, unless not present, or removed by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the convention body, The Chair shall be entitled to employ or utilize a parliamentarian to assist on matters of procedure.
- 900.5.7 The third order of business by the Chair shall be the presentation of these Rules by the Rules Committee, as approved by the State Party Executive Committee, to the convention body, which may debate, adopt or amend these rules, by a simple majority vote. Once approved, these rules may not be further amended, but may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.
- 900.5.8 Because this is a special convention, topics are limited to those in the call, and no motion to amend the topics shall be in order. However, the third order of business by the Chair shall be presentation of the agenda, and motions to alter the timeline are in order. The convention body may debate, adopt or amend such agenda (but may not add additional topics to it), by a simple majority vote. Once adopted, the agenda may not be modified, or its order of

business deviated from, except by a motion to suspend the orders of the day, which must pass by a 2/3 vote.

#### 900.6 – General Convention Rules

- 900.6.2 Voting by proxy will not be permitted at this Convention.
- 900.6.3 Each individual nominated to any party position shall be nominated and voted on as an individual, not as part of a slate. Names of all nominees shall be listed in alphabetical order on the ballot.
- 900.6.4 Any delegate to this convention may place in nomination for any officer or other position to be elected at this convention, the name of any other delegate, or the name of any other eligible member. Nominations shall be accepted by the presiding officer of the convention until a motion is made and passed to close the nominations. No person may be nominated that is not a Voting Member of the party, as of the start of business for this convention.
- 900.6.5 Any vote for officer or office must be taken by secret ballot, implementing instant runoff or preferential voting, and "None of the Above" (or NOTA) also listed as an option. Teller(s) shall be appointed, as set forth below, for any vote for any officer or office. The Secretary of the Convention shall serve as the chief teller and coordinate their activities. If NOTA prevails, there shall be no one elected to the position in question and it shall be counted as a vacancy at the close of the convention. The persons elected shall not take office until the adjournment of the convention.
  - a. Upon the conclusion of the voting and reports from the tellers, if any, for any office or officer to be elected at this Convention, the results of the voting shall be reported by the tellers to the Chair, who shall then report it to the Convention body. The Chair shall also report whether or not the results from the tellers is unanimous to the Convention body.
  - b. If the tellers results are unanimous, the vote shall not be subject to any challenge from the floor except upon a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the convention body to reconsider. If tellers are not unanimous, the convention body shall resolve the discrepancy by majority vote, or by declaring the election void and holding it again.
  - c. It shall be out of order for any member to seek reconsideration of any vote for any office or officer to be elected at this Convention: (i) except on the date the vote is held for the office or officer to be elected; and (ii) within fifteen minutes of the initial announcement of the results. Any such motion to reconsider shall be considered a privileged motion the first time that it is made. Not more than one motion to reconsider shall be considered.
- 900.6.6 The Chair of the convention shall appoint two tellers to count the members who are entitled to vote and also to count the actual balloting, one of whom shall be the Secretary of the Convention. In the event that any teller is running for any office, a substitute teller shall be appointed for the vote for that office.

- 900.6.7 It shall be the duty of the Chair of the convention to assure that the right to challenge any committee recommendation is more than perfunctory, and places no undue burden on the challengers. All such committee reports shall be subject to approval and to amendment, in whole or in part, from the floor of the convention, and shall be subject to the final vote of the Convention.
- 900.6.9 Quorum to do business shall constitute 45% of the members authorized to vote, as established in the Credentials Committee report, or any amendments thereto. The Credentials Committee shall be responsible for tracking and calculating the quorum number.