



Meeting Minutes

Call to order

A meeting of the Unified Libertarians of Massachusetts was held at 8:00 pm on February 20, 2025 via Jitsi. Attendees included Jason Brand (chair), Thomas Eddlem (treasurer), Rebecca Lau (secretary), at large members Brodi Elwood, Sean Kennedy, Al Ozonoff, James Parent, and Brian Zakrajsek. Members not in attendance included Dave Burnham and Aaron Morse.

Approval of Agenda/Previous Minutes

The agenda was approved. The minutes for the January 2025 meeting were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Chair's Report

DTG bills have been filed as HD 2457 and SD 1117
Facilitated further disbursements from the KVF- at the new allowable threshold
Emailed the ACLU Massachusetts about the Defend the Guard bills
Updated/corrected links and info on the PDR "One Stop Shop" spreadsheet for Massachusetts
Reached out to MAPA directors about speaking at our convention

Treasurer's Report

State account:
Opening balance: \$3,289.83
Expenses: \$40.38 (Flodesk)
Donations: \$28.50
Closing balance: \$3,277.45

Federal account:
Opening balance: \$17,346.84
Expenses: \$99.00 (Wire fees)

KVF Incoming: \$56,500.00
KVF Outgoing: \$19,089.00
Debts: \$39,051.00 (KVF transfer made 2-1-25)
Closing balance: \$54,658.84
Balance as of 2-2-25: \$19,393.84 (less wire fee)

Old Business

Communications

Sean Kennedy reported that ULMA's social media accounts added more followers. Jason Brand added that in addition, engagement increased.

Bylaws Committee

Sean Kennedy reported there are 3 proposed changes to the bylaws in the process of being voted on:

1. Judicial committee
2. Eligibility for leadership and delegate positions
3. Process for removal from PAC

Membership

Al Ozonoff reported there are two new members and three renewals. Middlesex County had a meetup with 5 or 6 attendees.

He also reported that he is continuing to get voter roll data. He received quotes from 2 different mail service companies. Postage will be around 20 cents per postcard, plus service charge and print. Both quotes are from local companies, and they said they would be between \$900-\$1000 for a 2000 piece mailer. He has collected voter data from about 2000 libertarians so far, mostly in Plymouth County and Middlesex County.

Sean Kennedy reported that he is working on the design of the postcard. They have not decided on a call to action. Suggestions included information about bills we support, go to the website, join us to support causes like Defend the Guard or legalizing psychedelics.

Motion 1: Moved by Al Ozonoff. Seconded by Jason Brand.
Authorize \$1000 to try a 2000-piece test mailer to registered Libertarians.

Jason Brand	Yes
Thomas Eddlem	Yes
Rebecca Lau	Yes
Brodi Elwood	Yes
Sean Kennedy	Yes
Al Ozonoff	Yes
James Parent	Yes
Brian Zakrajsek	Yes

The motion passed 8-0-0.

Convention Planning

Jason Brand reported that the convention location moved to the VFW in Plymouth but will still be held on Sunday, March 30. He said that Richard Patrick is overseeing convention planning. Jason wants to bring audio/visual equipment and will work with Richard to make a list of things we need.

Jason will send out an email blast to fulfil the 30-day notice requirement in the bylaws. The notice for proposed changes to the bylaws must be sent out at least two weeks in advance.

Thomas Eddlem invited James Weeks and Kyle Anzalone from the Libertarian Institute to speak at the convention. Jason said he is still looking for a speaker on local issues.

New Business

Policy Manual Change

Sean Kennedy proposed the following Policy Manual Change:

203.11 The period for voting on a question by electronic mail shall remain open until all eligible members have cast their votes or until seven days have elapsed, whichever occurs first. Members may vote “yes,” “no,” or “acknowledged.” There shall be no mechanism by which a Member of the State Committee may alter her or his vote once it has been cast.

Amendment: Once a motion meets the criteria for passage (i.e., at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the membership of the State Committee have voted and a majority have voted “yes”), appropriate action on the motion shall be taken immediately. However, the voting window shall remain open for the full seven days to allow remaining members to cast their votes, which will be recorded and acknowledged but will not alter the already passed motion.

By the end of seven days, a motion is considered passed if at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the membership of the State Committee have voted, and if a majority of the membership of the State Committee have voted “yes.” If a motion fails to pass, any member may present the motion again at a regular meeting of the State Committee.

Motion 2: Moved by Sean Kennedy. Seconded by James Parent.
Adopt the above policy manual change.

Jason Brand	No
Thomas Eddlem	Yes
Rebecca Lau	No
Brodi Elwood	Yes
Sean Kennedy	Yes
Al Ozonoff	Yes
James Parent	Yes
Brian Zakrajsek	Yes

The motion passed 6-2-0.

Voter Gravity

Jason Brand reported that Voter Gravity is free for ULMA to use as an affiliate, as long as the national Libertarian Party has an agreement with Voter Gravity. Candidates cannot have access to it.

Motion 3: Moved by Jason Brand. Seconded by Sean Kennedy.
Join Voter Gravity as a state affiliate.

Jason Brand	Yes
Thomas Eddlem	Yes
Rebecca Lau	Yes
Brodi Elwood	Yes
Sean Kennedy	Yes
Al Ozonoff	Yes
James Parent	Yes
Brian Zakrajsek	Yes

The motion passed, 8-0-0.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Rebecca Lau
Secretary

3/20/25
Date of approval
