### LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Regular Meeting March 2025

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Starchild, chair Richard Fast, secretary Trip Seibold, treasurer Jane "Jawj" Greenwald, LPSF member

### **ABSENT**

Brendan McMillion, vice chair

### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Jeremy, SF resident, <u>JGoodridge@gmail.com</u>

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:12pm on Saturday, March 8, 2025 in the 3rd floor Paley conference room of the SF Main Library and online via Jitsi videoconference.

The members present gave activist reports.

Starchild: All mainstream mayoral candidates trend in the same direction policywise. When Jawj asked Starchild how new mayor Daniel Lurie is doing, Starchild responded that Lurie does not appear to be in the same corrupt group as former mayor London Breed but it's too soon to say.

Jawj: She has her cat back from the "woke" animal rights neighbor that stole it, but she is still in court over the animal kidnapping. Jawj maintains that this is a libertarian issue of the courts. She accused "woke" people like her neighbor of being terrorists. Starchild disputed that accusation.

Jeremy, a guest who lives in SF, entered the in-person meeting. After introductions, Starchild brought him up to speed on where we were in the meeting.

Trip: No activist report.

Richard: 1) I continue to distribute copies of Murray Rothbard's book "What Has Government Done to Our Money?" in the little free libraries in residential areas in

Albany and Berkeley. The books are shipped anywhere in the U.S. for free by filling out a form at Mises.org . 2) The LPCA convention is at Hotel Mission De Oro on July 26 and 27 in Santa Nella (Merced County). However, the state executive committee for the second time in a row failed to notify at least 3 LPCA members of this event. Richard notified the LPCA Judicial Committee of this omission. Starchild doubted the JC has any power over this issue and does not want the convention re-scheduled a second time. Jawj asserted members' rights were abridged and this needs to be addressed. Starchild's proposed remedy is to inform the uninformed and move on; note that this would be a LPCA Bylaws violation. Meanwhile, Barbara Engelhardt is looking for guest speakers. I encourage people to attend and vote for Pat Wright for LPCA chair.

Jeremy: Housing is an important issue to him. He noted a NIMBY and anti-immigrant connection. Starchild agreed and added that localism is a problem in the city as well. Although he is not usually politically active, Jeremy attended a SF Richmond Rec Center meeting before the November 2024 election.

## Officer Reports

Chair: While there was a diverse spectrum of opinion among members present on what the libertarian position on Ukraine should be, Starchild recommended people donate to SonsofLiberty.com . This organization, run by U.S. veterans, is helping Ukrainians privately with leadership training and marksmanship. The group is Christian-oriented and small "I" libertarian.

Secretary: We need to approve the February 2025 minutes. Starchild and Jawj admitted to not reading them. Richard reminded them to improve on last year's laxity of delaying approval for 6+ months. Starchild agreed that the group needs to do better.

Treasurer: Richard asked about Trip's membership status. Trip responded that he recently re-registered to vote and mailed the membership check, which should arrive on Monday.

Richard moved, with second, to ratify Robert "Trip" Seibold as LPSF treasurer. There was no objection and the motion passed unanimously.

As there was no more formal business to conduct, Richard suggested reviewing the Febrary 2025 minutes on the spot. Without objection, the secretary shared his screen so that members present could review the February 2025 minutes.

Robert moved, with seconded, to approve the February 2025 minutes. There was no objection and the motion passed unanimously.

The chair opened the floor to new business. There was discussion of attending SF city council meetings and speaking during public comment: 2 minutes uninterrupted is a great opportunity for Libertarian public messaging on pressing city issues.

Richard introduced the following resolution with input from the members present:

# **Resolution Opposing President Trump's Tariffs**

"Whereas tariffs are a tax on imports, they will tend to mean higher prices for U.S. consumers,

"Be it resolved that the Libertarian Party of San Francisco opposes categorically President Trump's tariffs on companies based in Mexico, Canada, and China, as well as any future tariffs, and call for their immediate repeal."

There was discussion about adding language to the resolution regarding which particular executive order authorized the tariffs (to reference it by name or number) and

how these tariffs hurt U.S. consumers.

The time had reached 5pm.

Richard moved, with second, to extended time to 5:05pm. There was no objection and the motion passed unanimously.

The time had reached 5:05pm. Robert left the meeting.

Richard moved, with second, to extend time to 5:10pm for the purpose of voting on the resolution.

Jawj refused to vote on the motion to extend time and left the meeting. Her departure broke quorum, causing the meeting to end by default at 5:05pm.

The next meeting will be the second Saturday of April 2025 in the 3rd floor conference room of the SF Main Library (100 Larkin St.) and online via Jitsi videoconference (<a href="https://meet.jit.si/LPSFMonthlyMeeting">https://meet.jit.si/LPSFMonthlyMeeting</a>).

# **Appendix: Comments in the Jitsi Chat**

There were no posted comments in the Jitsi group chat during the meeting.