Libertarian Party of San Francisco Monthly Meeting July 2024

PRESENT

Starchild, chair Jawj Greenwald, vice chair Richard Fast, LPSF member

ABSENT

Terry Nycum, treasurer

GUESTS PRESENT

None

The chair called the meeting to order at approx. 3:10pm at the 3rd floor Paley conference room at the SF Main Library and Jitsi videoconference.

There was discussion of the Free & Equal presidential debate yesterday at FreedomFest in Las Vegas that featured Chase Oliver of the Libertarian Party, Jill Stein of the Green Party (presumptive), and Randall Terry of the Consitution Party.

Not being able to reach Terry Nycum, Starchild mentioned Chris Minoletti might be interested in serving as secretary of the LPSF.

Starchild attended a phone meeting to fix Prop. 19 regarding property taxes, hosted by a woman who is LP sympathetic and the HJTA. Drafting language. Happening on Thursdays.

Richard Fast and Starchild posted about the Free&Equal debate on Facebook.

There was discussion of state ballot measures and local ballot measures. Starchild preferred to let the LPCA excom issue recommendations on state ballot measures. Local measures weren't available yet.

Starchild mentioned LPSF member Scott Bannister in Hays Valley offered to host a candidate meet and greet. Starchild wanted to ask him to host an event of LPSF interviewing SF mayoral candidates for potential recommendation.

LPCA candidates: Tim Grant, Calaveras County – Starchild disagreed with the LPCA endorsement of him at a recent meeting because the candidate supported property rights infringement and a tax. A local candidate in Southern California is running for office. No endorsed candidates on LPCA website. 10 elected officials currently listed, one in San Mateo.

SF mayoral candidates: Starchild and Richard Fast agreed that none of the big names stood out as particularly libertarian. % moderates, Ferrell probably most conservative/good on economics, Peskin is most progressive. Of the five, Moderates (most corrupt faction) have controlled the mayors' office since the 1990s. Starchild and Richard Fast agreed there might be someone better among the lesser known candidates.

Starchild invited J.B. Ortega, District 3 candidate, to learn more about the libertarian philosophy.

There was discussion of approving the past five months' meeting minutes, but Starchild wanted more time to review the documents.

Starchild mentioned Ryan Khojasta for DA, worked at public defenders office, recognizes victimless crimes should not be a priotity. Fired by the current DA by voice mail or text, cause uncertain, clearing house from Chesa Boudin.

Starchild moved, with second, to recommend Ryan Khojasta for District Attorney. No objection. Passed unanimously. RyanforDA.com

Psychedelics legislation: Scott Weiner (D-SF) bill passed that Newsom vetoed in Jan. Brian Jones (R) Legislature withdrawn that would have helped veterans. After being watered down, proponents cancelled it. He criminalized nudity in SF. Last year tried to get possession decrim but Newsom vetoed. His attempt again this year, Heroes Act, watered down. The legislature keeps pushing for weaker language. DecrimCA.org behind the good petition, but fell short on signatures, only 20% of what they needed by the due date. \$5/signature standard now.

Starchild moved, with second, to approve the LPSF February 2024 minutes with the changes discussed while reviewing them via screen share. No objection. Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5pm.

The next meeting will be the second Saturday of August 2024 from 3-5pm in the 3rd floor Paley conference room of the SF Main Library and via Jitsi videoconference.