



Libertarian Party of New Mexico

Provisional Charter

Policy Committee

This charter is provisional until approved and adopted by a majority vote of the Central Committee.

I. Purpose

The LPNM Administrative Committee is a standing committee that is appointed and charged with responsibilities associated with the development policy positions, model legislation and other policy-related tasks. The Committee also should assist municipal, county or state Libertarian candidates (even those running in non-partisan races, so long as they are registered Libertarians) as requested with platform development and questions.

The Committee shall plan, develop, guide implementation, and evaluate LPNM policy positions related to current laws and proposed legislation. The Committee shall draft policy positions and model legislation consistent with the LPNM mission, strategic plan, and/or direction provided the LPNM Steering Committee, Central Committee or Executive Committee. The Policy Committee should work closely with the Communication Committee to develop precise wording for policy positions and to help ensure this consistency of use across media.

II. Membership

The Committee shall consist of one (1) member from the Executive Committee, one (1) Cabinet Officer appointed by the LPNM chair with the advice and consent of the Central Committee, and at least two (2) volunteers. The volunteer members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Policy Committee's Cabinet Officer. Should more than two (2) individuals volunteer to serve on the Committee, members shall be elected by a majority vote of the Central Committee at their next usual meeting. Each member shall serve a two year term. At the expiration of the Cabinet Officer's term, a new Cabinet Officer shall be appointed by the LPNM chair, with the advice and

consent of the Central Committee. Should a member of the Committee resign or end their position on the Committee prior to the completion of the term, the vacancy will be appointed by the Cabinet Officer (or by the LPNM chair, should the Cabinet Officer vacate) with the advice and consent of the Central Committee.

III. Decision Rights

The Committee is designed to serve in a guidance role regarding the policy matters of the organization. The Committee shall have the authority to develop proposed policy statements, model legislation and other policy-related materials and to present them to the Central Committee for adoption by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

IV. Meetings

1. Meetings shall be held at least monthly, and more frequently if required due to the urgency of any issues at hand. Meetings may be conducted in person or via conference call or web meeting. The meeting schedule shall be determined by the Committee and published to the Central Committee.
2. Meetings shall be conducted using Robert's Rules of Order.
3. The Committee shall maintain minutes of the meeting and report regularly to the Central Committee.

V. Time Commitment

1. The members of the Committee should plan on a minimum of one one-hour conference call per month.
2. The members of the Committee should also plan on spending an additional 1-2 hours monthly on follow up tasks associated with the Committee.

VI. 2017 Priorities

1. Refine this Committee's provisional charter as necessary or desirable to accomplish the stated objectives and present to the Central Committee for debate and adoption by two-thirds (2/3) vote
2. Draft a priority list of policy positions to be addressed based upon existing public interest polls or other criteria, as appropriate
3. Develop policy positions/language based on the priority list
4. Assist candidates as needed with policy questions and development
5. Begin to draft model Libertarian legislation for the state level
6. Develop a Committee budget, to include administrative costs like office supplies