

MINUTES
of the
LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA
1984 Convention

February 18-20, 1984
Universal City, California

The opening convention session was called to order by the Chair, Mary Gingell. The Chair then presented for consideration the proposed agenda. She made note that, officially, By Laws are not to be considered during the 1984 convention; however, a By Laws report is included in the agenda, and the delegates can choose to include or delete that item from the agenda. She also informed the delegates that, as had been specifically required for this particular convention, one third (1/3) of the time allocated for convention sessions was allocated for consideration of a Long Range Development Plan for the LPC. The agenda was accepted as presented by the chair.

CREDENTIALS- The Secretary presented the Credentials report, noting that at the opening of the session 69 delegates and alternates had been credentialed. It was announced that credentialing would take place just prior to the start of each session of the convention. Three credentialing problems were presented to the delegate body for resolution; the results were that delegates (and, as appropriate, alternates) from Yolo County, Sonoma County, and San Francisco County were credentialed for this convention.

CHAIR'S REPORT - Gingell gave a brief review of the LPC's accomplishments during the past year. She referred delegates to the Annual Report for detailed information.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PROJECT - At the Chair's request, Marshall Fritz, LPC Executive Director, elaborated on those aspects of the annual report which reflect the activity of the Executive Director. (A copy of this Annual Report is maintained in the LPC's files.)

SECRETARY'S REPORT - C. Treynor reported that our membership, as of 1/31/83, was 1253; this is a significant increase over the membership total for the same date one year ago, which total was 993. The minutes of the 1983 Convention were approved as mailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT - S. Treynor presented the 31 January 1983 Statement of Financial Condition and Statement of Operations. A copy of these statements accompanies these minutes as Attachment "A".

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - J. Dean gave a brief introduction to the Development Committee's proposal which was scheduled for further discussion at a later session of the convention.

By Laws Committee - The By Laws were discussed, and Convention Rules, Rule 10 was revised by the delegate body. A copy of the revised By Laws accompanies these minutes as Attachment "B".

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It was MOVED and PASSED that the rules be suspended to consider endorsement of a U.S. presidential candidate.

ENDORSEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE - It was MOVED and PASSED that the LPC endorse David Bergland as the 1984 U.S. national presidential candidate and Jim Lewis as the vice presidential candidate, and that the Secretary of State be so advised.

PLATFORM COMMITTEE - Mike Hall presented the Platform Committee's recommendations and noted that typographical errors on the distributed copy would be corrected. He presented a new plank on alcohol and a substitute plank on children's rights. Extensive discussion on these two planks, other committee recommendations, and recommendations from the delegates resulted in several changes to the Platform. A copy of the New Platform accompanies these minutes as Attachment C".

LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - In the absence of the Chair, the Treasurer assumed the chair and called on Jack Dean to discuss a Development Plan for the LPC. Dean presented a first draft of the Committee's suggested plan. The delegate body then spent considerable time discussing the proposed plan and making suggestions for its improvement. The following resolution was then MOVED and PASSED: The delegates at this convention urge the LPC State Executive Committee to establish a standing committee to expand upon and refine the draft plan presented on 19 February 1984; and further, we endorse the major areas outlined in this draft report for tactical concentration, and urge the Development Committee to work with local organizations to set realistic, measurable objectives in each of these areas for periods of 2, 4, 6, and 8 years. (This resolution was passed unanimously.)

RESOLUTION ON PART TIME LEGISLATURE- The following Resolution was MOVED and PASSED: Be it resolved by the Libertarian Party of California that we support any and all efforts to reduce the legislature of the State of California to a part time basis.

RESOLUTION RE: "GRANNY FLATS" - The following Resolution was MOVED and PASSED: Whereas, the LPC recognizes the right of property owners to control, use, transfer or dispose of their property in any manner that does not violate the rights of other, we support decriminalizing the use of "in-law" or "granny flats" within single family dwellings, as a small step in the realization of this goal.

OTHER RESOLUTIONS- Other resolutions PASSED by the delegates accompany these minutes as Attachment "D"; those resolutions are: Resolution of Commendation- Ex. Dir. and Ex. Com.; Resolution supporting Neighborhood Watch; Resolution of Commendation - Platform Com.; Resolution Supporting Repeal of Nudity Control or Prohibition Laws; Nuts and Bolts Resolution; and Resolution of Commendation- Mary Gingell.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS - The following individuals were elected to office for the coming term:

Treasurer - Steve Alexander
Secretary - Jerry Douglas
No. Vice Chair - Dennis Schlumpf
So. Vice Chair - Sam Treynor
Chair - Jack Dean

ELECTION OF JUDICIAL COMMITTEE - The following individuals were elected to serve on the Judicial Committee:

Bill White
Bob Scott
Melinda Pillsbury-Foster
Craig Franklin
Manny Klausner

SELECTION OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS - It was MOVED and PASSED that, with regard to the selection of Presidential Electors, the LPC elects the following people, subject to verification of their qualification, and appoints the Chair to fill any vacancies:

Ted Brown	Carolyn Treynor *	Debbie Horner
Craig Franklin	George Abrahams	Melinda Pillsbury-Foster
Tim Custer	Lyn Sapowsky	Gary Drust
David Nichols	Jerry Douglas	Sarah Foster
John Vernon	Bob Lehman	Sam Treynor*
Don Smith	Steve Kelley	Laurel Fest
Sylvia Barton	Bill Wade	Bob Gerringer
Mike Yauch	Robert Scott	Lloyd Taylor
Alicia G. Clark	John L. Corl	Gail K. Lightfoot
Linda Torno	Mark W. A. Hinkle	Jeff Smith
Karen Huffman	Bill White	Kathy White
Hugh McLean *	Thea L. Mclean	Sandi Webb
Dennis L. Schlumpf	Lou Villadsen	Dan Wiener
Evert Hale	Charles Carr	Jim McClarin
Bill Evers	Nancy E. Greco*	Frank T. Zoekler*
Robert Weber, Jr.	Larry Leathers	Bruce K. Bell
John H. Webster	Sarah Baase	Fred Foldvary
Dale Burrow		

* these individuals will be alternates, if needed.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, the convention was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carolyn Treynor

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
DECEMBER 31, 1983

Assets

Petty cash	\$ 200.00
Cash on hand and in banks	<u>19,843.08</u>
Total assets	<u>\$20,043.08</u>

Liabilities and Capital

Accounts payable	\$ 8,247.05
Dues payable - Counties	2,688.50
Dues payable - National	<u>1,436.00</u>
Total liabilities	\$12,371.55

Capital

Deficit, January 1, 1983	\$(130.58)
Net increase in capital per Statement of Operations	7,511.15
Transfer of surplus from California Libertarian Council	<u>290.96</u>
Surplus, December 31, 1983	<u>7,671.53</u>
Total liabilities and capital	<u>\$20,043.08</u>

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LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

CALENDAR YEAR 1983

Income

Executive Director Fund donations	\$25,226.02
Tax return donations	7,268.03
Office fund pledges	5,268.14
Club pledges	5,158.12
Dues	3,489.70
Newsletter	2,625.00
Other donations	1,791.14
Convention fees	1,535.62
LNC meeting	536.00
Other income	<u>203.49</u>
Total income	\$53,101.26

Expenses

Executive Director	28,182.08
Office	14,138.34
1982 convention	1,000.00
Bank charges	633.71
Pledge memberships	610.00
Printing and postage	554.22
Miscellaneous	271.76
Officers' expenses	<u>200.00</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$45,590.11</u>

Net increase in capital \$ 7,511.15

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA
AND
CALIFORNIA LIBERTARIAN COUNCIL
COMPARATIVE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
CALENDAR YEARS 1983 AND 1982

	<u>1983</u>	<u>1982</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Executive Director Fund donations	\$25,226.02	\$ -
Tax return donations	7,268.03	-
Office fund pledges	5,268.14	4,529.00
Club pledges	5,158.12	-
Dues	4,186.10	6,695.55*
Newsletter	1,915.00	3,352.00
Other donations	2,300.48	6,192.59
Convention fees	1,535.62	-
LNC meeting	536.00	-
Other income	278.49	315.45
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Total income	\$53,672.00	\$21,084.59
 <u>Expenses</u>		
Executive Director	28,182.08	-
Office	14,138.34	5,179.82
1982 convention	1,000.00	-
Bank charges	635.71	52.50
Pledge memberships	610.00	-
Printing and Postage	687.62	1,290.58
Miscellaneous	391.76	223.93
Officers' expenses	200.00	3,816.68
Promotion	-	1,282.30
Legal	-	500.00
Interest	87.07	497.49
Clipping service	-	106.52
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Total expenses	\$45,932.58	\$12,949.82
Net increase in capital	<u>\$ 7,739.42</u>	<u>\$ 8,134.77</u>

* January, 1983 operations of the California Libertarian Council are included in calendar year 1982 (due to the CLC fiscal year end date of January 31.)

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that this convention commends the Executive Director and the out-going Executive Committee for a job well done.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Recognizing that the concept of neighborhood watch is a non-governmental, voluntary activity which demonstrates Libertarianism, we, therefore, support this concept.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION: Platform Committee

Be it resolved that we, the Libertarian Party of California, in convention assembled, do hereby commend and thank the members of the Platform Committee for their work in developing changes in the Platform.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING REPEAL OF NUDITY CONTROL OR PROHIBITION LAWS

Whereas there has been a growing "free beach" movement in California and many people have been using clothes-optional beaches and other recreational sites; and whereas such nude sunbathing or swimming has often been harrassed or prohibited by the California State and Local authorities, be it resolved that the LPC supports the repeal of all laws which control or prohibit nudity.

NUTS AND BOLTS RESOLUTION

Whereas the US Government pays thousands of dollars for simple nuts and bolts in military contracts;
And whereas this expense contributes greatly to the national deficit;
Be it therefore resolved that the LPC endorses paying any income taxes due in nuts and bolts.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION: MARY GINGELL

WHEREAS. Marv Gingell was actively involved in the LPC/CLC merger committee discussions which led - at the CLC state convention in February of 1983 - to the consolidation of the two organizations:

and WHEREAS. she was instrumental in helping both the LPC and the CLC to eliminate their debts entirely prior to the merger. thereby clearing away a major obstacle to consolidation:

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA

COMPARISON OF OPERATIONS AND BUDGET

EIGHT MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1983

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over/(under)</u>
<u>Income</u>			
Executive Director fund donations	\$22,866.82	\$36,000.00	(\$13,133.18)
Tax return donations	7,268.03	-	7,268.03
Monthly pledges	5,937.89	4,800.00	1,137.89
Dues	3,151.50	1,333.33	1,818.17
Newsletter	3,209.00	1,600.00	1,609.00
Other donations	1,026.14	1,955.56	(929.42)
Convention fees	535.62	-	535.62
Other income	203.49	-	203.49
Total income	<u>\$44,198.49</u>	<u>\$45,688.89</u>	<u>(\$ 1,490.40)</u>
<u>Expenses</u>			
Executive Director	26,364.43	36,000.00	(9,635.57)
Office	12,216.50	7,822.22	4,394.28
Caliber	-	4,088.89	(4,088.89)
1982 convention	1,000.00	1,333.33	(333.33)
Bank charges	463.28	400.00	63.28
Pledge memberships	610.00	-	610.00
Printing and postage	360.02	133.33	226.69
Miscellaneous	200.00	-	200.00
Total expenses	<u>\$41,214.23</u>	<u>\$49,777.77</u>	<u>(\$ 8,563.54)</u>
Increase in capital	<u>\$ 2,984.26</u>	<u>(\$ 4,088.88)</u>	<u>\$ 7,073.14</u>

RESOLUTION Commending Gingell, continued

and WHEREAS. after the merger. she worked to set up a functioning committee structure within the state executive committee - a structure which has streamlined decision-making and cut down considerably on the time required for meetings:

and WHEREAS. for nearly all of 1982 and 1983. she has edited and published the CALIFORNIA ACTIVIST - a monthly publication filled with timely news and helpful "nuts and bolts" hints. and which has had significant impact on the state organization's morale and development:

and WHEREAS. she undertook the challenging and demanding task of overseeing the first year's employment of a full-time executive director in addition to keeping a watchful eye on the state headquarters and staff:

and WHEREAS. she played a key role in establishing and maintaining the LPC's monthly pledge program which has continued to expand the Party's donor base and strengthen its financial position:

NOW. THEREFORE. in light of the above, it is the considered opinion of the undersigned that Mary Gingell has been, quite possibly, the best state chair the California Libertarian Party has ever had: and we join in expressing to her our united appreciation, gratitude and respect.