

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA
STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE
CONVENTION 1989
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AT 10:14 am 2-18-89

CREDENTIALS REPORT: The secretary is not ready, some delegates have not finished registering.

CHAIR'S REPORT: 2011 members, 300-400 National members who are not state members. We fielded 74 candidates in 1988.

NORTHERN VICE CHAIR'S REPORT: -Placer & Nevada counties are inactive, remainder of counties have at least one person interested in organizing; election year activity made this easier.

Plan: 1. Registration Drives
2. Candidates for 1990
3. Fairs, etc., for outreach

SOUTHERN VICE CHAIR'S REPORT: 1. Recommends that regions research, update and share copies of their Bylaws with the Vice Chairs so that other regions can share in learning process.
2. Share schedules, cost, location of meetings and supper clubs to enable Vice Chair to attend on regular basis.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: -No prepared report-

Question: "What happened to the membership renewal mailing?"

Answer: "The letters were sacked and taken to Burbank Post Office in Jan. Since then, none has been delivered. The P.O. is running a tracer. If no trace is found we get all but \$50.00 of the postage returned to our account. We can then repeat the mailing. Printing costs will be lost. Everything is ready to repeat the mailing to those members who have not renewed yet by first class mail."

CREDENTIALS REPORT: Registered Delegates were 65 on Sat, 69 on Sun and 71 on Mon.

TREASURER'S REPORT: - We exceeded our projected budget income by 9% and expenses by 18%. This was mostly due to the number of inquiries coming into the 800 number after the sample ballots were distributed statewide with our phone number and statement of political philosophy on the last page.

BYLAWS COMM REPORT:

* 2-23-88 copies of new Bylaws are available from state office. It was moved and seconded to accept the Bylaws report as amended. The Chair will entertain Bylaws proposals from the floor:

1. On Page 3, Section 3, #C,, strike "one Rep" and substitute "regional Chair."

Debate - Vote - Fails

PLATFORM COMM REPORT:

* 2-28-89. Copies of amended Platform are available from state office. It was moved and seconded to accept the Platform Comm's

report as presented. The Chair will entertain Platform changes from the floor.

underline denotes new text

1. Discrimination: new paragraph after first sentence: "We affirm that merit should be the only criterion for employment, advancement or admission by or to any governmental institution. We therefore affirm that government should not use quota systems based on sex, race, color, creed, age, national origin, marital status or sexual preference for any purpose.

Strike "However" and substitute "Furthermore" at beginning of existing sentence.

Debate - Vote - Fails.

2. Adding to Statement of Principles - on page one between the first and second sentences, insert "we hold the love is the cohesive force of society."

Debate - Vote - Fails.

3. Election Reform - item 20, Individual Rights & Civil Order, new #5, "We support a system of proportional representation as the method of electing members of legislative bodies in the State of California."

Debate - Vote - Fails

4. Consider change in Discrimination Plank, "We therefor affirm that government should not use quota systems based on the above mentioned criteria for any purpose. Furthermore -"

It was moved and seconded to accept the insertion of the sentence as proposed.

5. Insertion of "Nationality" before national origin.

Debate - Vote - Fails.

The Chair will entertain Resolutions from the floor.

1. We, the members of the Libertarian Party of California, oppose any attempts to restrict the freedom of contract, including the buying/selling of property and/or business, on the basis of nationality or national origin.

It was moved, seconded and PASSED WITHOUT DISSENT to So Resolve.

2. L.P.C.-PAC.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the State Chair and State Treasurer be members of the L.P.PAC Comm if they are eligible to do so.

3. Matching Funds.

"Whereas restrictive ballot access laws require Libertarian candidates to expend substantial resources simply to achieve the same ballot status that Republican and Democratic candidates have automatically, the LPC hereby states that it does not oppose any Libertarian Presidential Campaign's acceptance of Federal Matching Funds, up to the amount spent overcoming gov't-imposed ballot access hurdles."

Debate - Vote - Fails.

4. "We, the Libertarian Party of California, condemn the City and County of San Francisco for its gross violation of the property rights of Adam Sparks, who is threatened with jail because his hotel wants to let rooms at market rates to tourists. We support Adams Sparks' defense of not only his rights, but the rights of everyone.

It was moved, seconded and PASSED WITHOUT DISSENT to So Resolve.

ELECTIONS:

DELEGATES to the National Convention: ballots were distributed, further nominations from the floor added and vote commenced. Tally made available at the ExComm meeting. Ranking is attached to end of these minutes and will be published in the State Newsletter.

NATIONAL COMM. REPS

Nominations were accepted from the floor.

It was moved, and seconded to elect by voting for 3 individuals. Debate - Amendments - Vote - end result, we voted for 5. Second vote for tie breaking. Reps will be ranked according to vote. Any with less than a majority will be voted on "Yea" or "Nay".

Results were:

1. Geoffery Neale-	53		
2. Mary Gingell	- 49	- tie breaker	Mary - 39
3. George O'Brien-	49		George - 34
4. Lyn Sapowsky	- 43	- tie breaker	Lyn - 40
5. Sam Traynor	- 43		Sam - 32
6. Bert Blumert	- 33		
7. Carolyn Traynor-	32		

79 votes cast, therefore majority = 40. "Yea" or "Nay" vote taken - therefore 6 & 7, the alternate positions, are confirmed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

	Chair - John Vernon	
Northern Vice Chair	- Mark Sweaney	
Southern Vice Chair	- Neal Donner	
Secretary	- Gail Lightfoot	(vs Cullene Lang)
Treasurer	- Aaron Starr	

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

Carolyn Traynor, Dave Nolan, Bill White, Mark Hinkle, Alicia Clark

ADJOURNED: 12:00 noon, Monday, 2-21-89

Outgoing/Presiding Officers:

Chair: Ted Brown
N.V.Ch.: Mark Sweany
S.V.Ch.: Kim Goldsworthy
Sec: Cullene Lang
Treas.: David Maxwell