

Libertarian Party of California 1992 Convention

Minutes

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Saturday, February 15, 1992

A. Credentials Report

by Acting Secretary - Gail Lightfoot

72 Delegates registered for today, new number will be announced each day and posted hourly during the day as changes occur.

B. Reports of the Party Officers and working committees.

Chair's Report

by Pat Wright

Current membership is 3800 with 12,000 names in our DataBase.

N.Vice Chair's Report

by Mark Hinkle

S.Vice Chair's Report

attached as Addendum A

by Kim Goldsworthy

Secretary's Report

not present due to death in family

Treasurer's Report

attached as Addendum B

by Bonnie Flickinger

C. Consent Calender - *Passed*

1. Be it hereby resolved that this body hereby ratifies the Party Platform, Bylaws, and Convention Rules as printed and distributed to the Delegates at this convention and as modified by the corrections, if any, noted below, with the provision that until the close of business of this convention, upon written motion of five delegates, any additional errors or omissions shall be brought before this body as the next item of business, and any dispute shall be resolved by the same number of votes required to amend the item in question.

It was moved, seconded and passed that we suspend the rules to take up 4 proposals from the Bylaws Committee for immediate implementation before proceeding with the Platform Committee Report.

Item 1. Motion that the LPC eliminate the Platform, adopt the National Platform as our own and adopt a Program for the LPC failed.

Motion to Suspend the Rules to consider an alternative motion to adopt a 10 point Program failed.

Item 2. Motion to insert into Convention Rule 7 a new sentence 3 in Paragraph 1, as follows:

On any vote, the Chair may satisfy the first call for a

division or counted vote with a call for Order in the Room and an uncounted Show of Hands. *Passes*

Item 3. Motion to insert new Rule 12: No Debate Items. Passes with 2/3.

Rule 12: No Debate Items. Both the Platform Committee and the Bylaws and Convention Rules Committee shall designate each of its proposals as either a regular item or a "No Debate" item. The "No Debate" classification shall be reserved for proposals which are technical in nature rather than substantive. Upon motion of five delegates, any proposal designated as a "No Debate" item by a committee shall be reclassified as a regular item. Except for item proposed for immediate implementation, no debate shall occur on a committee's proposals until all its "No Debate" items have been voted on.

Item 4. Motion for automatic calling the question failed.

D. Platform Committee Report

Spacey Attached as Addendum C on page 2 new paragraph to Plank # 2. passed as amended. " Since Offensive." delete final clause beginning with "to".

page 2 first sentence of Plank # 14. passed without dissent.

page 3 new # 5 AGRICULTURE
passed as amended as follows:
change item c. and d. to read:

c. privatization of agricultural research and the ending of agricultural research programs of state colleges and universities and state agencies; and

d. ending governmental involvement in agricultural pest control. Implementing a policy of pest control whereby private individuals or corporations bear full responsibility for damages they inflict on their neighbors.

page 4 Plank # 13 WATER insertion of sentence in first paragraph between first and second sentence passed by 2/3.

page 4 Plank # 13. WATER insertion of "...all projects and facilities in the state water plan, including..." between the words "acquisitions for" and "the Peripheral Canal". passed by 2/3

page 5 Plank # 15. ENERGY new sentence passes by 2/3.

page 5 Plank # 15. ENERGY strike existing e. and substitute new " e. a free market of natural gas pricing. *passed by 2/3*

page 6 Plank #15. ENERGY strike existing g. and substitute new "g. Any taxes on energy producers." *passes without dissent*

page 6 Plank # 14. POLLUTION passes as amended by 2/3.

"in order to handle the problems of air, water, soil, radiation, and noise pollution, we call for an extension of the laws governing such torts as trespass and nuisance to cover persons who cause substantial damage by intruding on the persons or property of others.

page 7 Plank # 7 POLICE new sentence added to the end of the paragraph passed by 2/3.

page 7 Plank # 7 POLICE new paragraph after the one paragraph amended to consist of the first two proposed sentences. *passed by 2/3*

page 8 new Plank # 14 FAMILY LIFE to read "Governments at all levels are intruding on the integrity of families and households. We support the right of families and households as contractual institutions to be free from governmental interference. Such governmental interference has undermined the value of families and households as cultural institutions of love, nurture, companionship, kinship, and personal development by forcing families and households to conform to a rigid, inflexible design. Moreover, we condemn the usurpation by government of activities long carried on by families and households. This usurpation is accomplished through "morals laws", government welfare programs, C.P.S. and public schools." *passed by 2/3*

page 8 motion to add the word "soil" to any section of the platform that reads "air and water". *passed by 2/3*

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Page 9 Plank # 17. INSURANCE insertion between 3rd and 4th paragraph of "We advocate the freedom of all individuals to engage in voluntary informed consent agreements which do not violate the right of third parties. We therefore oppose any government imposed standards which require or restrict the right of insurance companies', or employers' who contracted them, to use genetic and other screening and/or testing methods." *passed by 2/3*

Platform changes from the floor.

Motion to move Agriculture Plank to #13 between Water and Pollution passed.

Motion to add a plank on Bankruptcy as amended tabled.

Motion to insert 'National Endowment for the Arts' in Plank # 4 passed.

Motion to move Plank # 16 to # 3 no action taken, out of time.

Motion to Suspend the Rules to consider a motion to have Elections of Party Officers the first item of business on Monday morning passed by 2/3.

Motion to have Elections of Party Officers the first item of business on Monday morning passed.

E. Bylaws and Convention Rules Committee Report.

Two Year Term for Officers beginning with those elected in 1993 passed.

* see page 12 and 13 of the Bylaws Committee Report.

Term Limits for party officers, no action taken, out of time.

* see page 17 and 18 of the Bylaws Committee Report.

Monday, February 17, 1992

G. Election of Party Officers

Chair: Pat Wright
N.Vice Chair: Bill Evers
S.Vice Chair: Bob Weber
Secretary: Ray Acosta
Treasurer: Bonnie Flickinger

At-Large ExCom Reps:

Eric Lund
Kate O'Brian
Ted Brown
Ross Crain
Mark Hinkle

Judicial Committee

Jack Dean
Dave Nolan
David Bergland
Bruce Lagasse
Dan Weiner

Adjourned