

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
24-25 April 1976

FIRST SESSION

Call to order by Ray Cunningham, Chairman, at 1 pm.

Members in attendance:

Ray Cunningham	John Sanford	Mike Hall
Liz Jacobsen	Leon Steinhardt	Mike Martin
Hank Hohenstein	Bill White	Rod Van Orden
Ed Wolford	Kathy White	Irwin Rodman
Dan Wiener	David Sutton	Mike Zeldis
Bill Westmiller	Bruce Lagasse	Bernard Perra
Isabel Isherwood	Laura Twombly	Dean Sandin
David Hurd	Ernst Ghermann	Sara Baase
Chris Hocker	Ita Sanders	
Carol Cunningham	Rudy Tietze	

SECRETARY'S REPORT - Ed Wolford

Motion: Moved and seconded that the reading of the minutes be waived. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that previous minutes be considered within 15 minutes. Motion passed.

Ed explained to the Execom the method by which the number of Execom members for each region was determined. The percent of a Region's membership total to the LPC membership total as of 60 days prior to state convention, is the determining factor.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Secretary's report on Execom representation be accepted. Motion passed.

Ed reported on the drastic decrease in membership renewals and the possible consequences. After explaining his procedures in sending out monthly renewal notices, he requested assistance from Regional Chairmen in contacting expiring and/or expired members with the hope that a more personal contact would be more successful.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Ed Wolford, Ray Cunningham and Irwin Rodman prepare and send out a questionnaire to all expired members for the period of three months; questionnaire to gain an answer to the question of why an individual decides not to renew. The results of the questionnaire to be presented at the next Execom meeting. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Regional Chairmen be advised to contact all final notice or expired members upon notification from the Party Secretary. Motion passed.

CONVENTION FINANCIAL REPORT - Carol Cunningham, Dan Weiner

Carol and Dan presented Preliminary Financial Report which listed estimated profit in hand from the '76 LPC Convention at \$1,823.43.

Motion: Moved and seconded that the preliminary LPC Convention Report be accepted. Motion passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

Motion: Moved and seconded that all actions of the Executive Committee meeting of 16 February 1976 be approved and that the minutes for that meeting be accepted as ammended. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Dan Weiner

Motion: Moved and seconded that Treasurer's Report be accepted. Motion passed.

BUDGET - Executive Committee

1. Fair/Exhibition Booth Funding - Discussion

Motion: Moved and seconded that State financial assistance to Regions for statewide events be dicided on individual event basis via mail ballot. Motion Failed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Budget be considered by line item. Motion Passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded to limit debate on each line item of Budget to ten minutes. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that 0 (zero) dollars be allocated to County Fairs. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that \$100.00 be allocated for fiscal year 1976 for statewide fairs or exhibits. Motion failed.

2. Literature budget - Discussion

Motion: Moved and seconded that Dan Weiner, Ray Cunningham, Shirly Gottlieb and Bill Westmiller form a literature committee to approve and select LPC materials, provided that their budget does not exceed \$1,000.00 deficit. Motion Passed.

3. Young Libertarian Alliance - Judy Gans and discussion.

Motion: Moved and seconded that \$50.00 per quarter be allocated to the California Young Libertarian Alliance.. Motion Passed.

4. Libertarian Ratings of California - Bill Stanley and discussion.

Motion: Moved and seconded that \$50.00 be allocated to Libertarian Rating of California Legislators. Motion passed.

5. Speakers' Bureau - Discussion

Motion: Moved and Seconded that \$25.00 be allocated to Speakers' Bureau. Motion passed.

6. Caliber - Bruce Lagasse, discussion.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Caliber budget be amended in the LPC Budget for 1976 to \$2,550.00; and that a notice be posted in the Caliber informing membership and subscribers that if they wish their Calibers to be sent by 1st class, they should send \$1.00 per year to the LPC Treasurer to pay for the additional postage cost. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that Caliber subscription rates for non-members be \$4.00. Motion passed.

Motion: Moved and seconded that LPC members not desiring their monthly Caliber may so stipulate by notifying LPC Secretary. Motion passed.

7. Party telephones - discussion.

Motion: Moved and seconded that \$100.00 be allocated for additional LPC state party phones. Motion passed.

Motion: Motion to adjourn until 9:00 am., the next morning. Passed. 5:42 pm.

SECOND SESSION

Call to order by Ray Cunningham, Chairman, at 9:15 am.

Members in attendance:

Ray Cunningham	John Sanford	Mike Martin
Liz Jacobsen	Leon Steinhardt	Sharon Barraclough
Hank Hohenstein	Bill White	Irwin Rodman
Ed Wolford	Kathy White	Mike Zeldis
Dan Weiner	David Sutton	Bernard Perra
Bill Westmiller	Mike Grotke	Dean Sandin
Isabel Isherwood	Bruce Lagasse	Sara Baase
David Hurd	Laura Twombly	
Chris Hocker	Ernst Ghermann	
Carol Cunningham	Rudy Tietz	

8. Fund Raising - Bill Westmiller, discussion

Bernard Perra spoke on a possible fund raising scheme for regions of selling Irwin Rodman's book, "Executive Jungle." Books could be obtained on a consignment basis and for a cut price.

Bill Westmiller spoke on prospects and techniques of fund raising. Bill will act as a fund raising coordinator for regions or the state for a percentage of the profits.

Liz Jacobsen discussed fund raising activities on July 3rd in San Francisco.

Shirly Gottlieb spoke on Region 11's Casino night.

REGIONAL REPORT

- Motion: Moved and seconded to postpone regional reports until the end of all other business. Motion passed. ^{Carol Cunningham}
- Motion: Moved and seconded that Bill White and ~~Liz Jacobsen~~ prepare and distribute a convention bid application and that June 15, 1976 be set as deadline for the submitting of bids by interested regions for the 1977 LPC Convention. Motion passed.
- Motion: Moved and seconded that LPC Budget for 1976 be adopted as ammended. Motion passed.

LPC BALLOT POSSIBILITIES FOR '76 - Discussion.

With the signing of AB-52 by Gov. Brown, qualified signature requirements for gaining independent ballot status has been greatly reduced to a little over 99,000.

With post card registration beginning July 1st, it should be easier to obtain qualified ballot signatures.

Dave Bergland and Carol Cunningham discussed petition drive activities in other states.

- Motion: Moved and seconded that the petition drive for independent ballot status be the first priority for the Libertarian Party of California in 1976, and that Carol Cunningham and Bill Westmiller serve as northern and southern co-chairpersons of a ballot drive committee composed of members they appoint. Motion passed.

U.S. SENATE CAMPAIGN - Lynn Kinsky, discussion.

Lynn assured Execom members that there would be no problem in qualifying to petition for independent ballot status. She explained the need for coordination various groups outside the Party to help with the petition drive. She asked that LPC members allow their phones to be listed as local campaign headquarters, and crash space for out of town petition gatherers. Lynn will be debating Tom Hayden, Demo candidate for U.S. Senate at a Santa Barbara radio show on May 17th, at 7:30 pm.

McBRIDE/BERGLAND CAMPAIGN - Discussion

Ray Cunningham discussed establishing local coordinators for petition gathering. Said he would try to provide "How to" manuals for anyone interested in this activity.

PROPOSITIONS - Discussion.

- Motion: Moved and seconded that any LPC endorsement or opposition of any proposition on the June ballot must require at least three-quarters vote of the responding Execom members via mail ballot. Motion passed.
- Motion: Motion to adjourn. Motion passed. Next Execom set for sometime in September. 1:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

