

Libertarian Party of California  
State Executive Committee Meeting  
San Mateo  
February 18, 1985  
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 2:55pm by LPC Chair Jack Dean.

The agenda was approved as amended.

27 credentialed delegates were present (see attachment A).

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS  
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Chair (Jack Dean):  
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DMV Lawsuit update:

This suit was filed against a group which was using the LP's name to get lists of names from the DMV. Papers have been served.

Committee for party renewal lawsuit update.

There has been little change since last November except that our right to endorse candidates for non-partisan and judicial elections has been upheld. Another ruling, if not overturned, allows us to operate under our own rules.

State coordinator (Bob Lehman):  
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Bob has developed a database system into which can be merged (with existing data on registered Libertarians) information on dues paying members, contributors and inquiries (both California & National). Data can be accessed selectively by various criteria, so mailings can be restricted to high return groups. Counties will be able to purchase labels and listings at cost (.01 per label and .004 per page).

New LPC mailing address: 3963 Wilshire Bl., Suite 105, Los Angeles 90010. There is no new phone yet. An answering service is presently handling calls to the old San Jose number. An 800 number is being investigated.

Norther Vice Chair (Dennis Schlumpf):  
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They plan to do more organizing this year, especially in new counties; they have people lined up to help.

Southern Vice Chair (Sam Treynor):  
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In the interest of time, dispensed with.

Treasurer (Jerry Douglas):  
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At time of meeting, had not yet had time to look at contributions from previous evenings's fundraising; effect will be positive, but not know yet how positive. We can still expect some rough sledding in next few months.

Chair announced creation of audit committee to examine finances. Volunteers: Melinda Pillsbury-Foster, Sam Treynor, Steve Kreuger, Jerry Douglas, Jack Dea

Secretary (Laurel East):  
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None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS  
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Membership/Fundraising (Chair, Mary Gingell):  
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1. Status of registered voter mailing:

As of Friday Feb. 15 we had received \$9505 and our cost was \$12154, so loans .58 on 1.00. 251 responses, 230 new names. Average contribution was \$37. Still work to be done on this project (thank you notes, refund checks); plan now to turn over to Perry Willis. Mary expressed appreciation to Perry for his efforts.

2. Membership drive:

Membership forms were mailed to region prospects, members, lapsed members. No statistics yet (still receiving renewals, and second renewals still to go out). Still mailing to BFP campaign inquiries.

Jack Dean had statistics on membership contest:

1. Alameda 20 new members
2. Santa Clara 15 "
3. San Diego 14 "

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|----|-----------------|-------|---|------------------------|
| 1. | San Luis Obispo | 100.0 | % | increase in membership |
| 2. | Alameda         | 87.7  | " | "                      |
| 3. | Santa Barbara   | 33.3  | " | "                      |

2. Saturday Night Donor Briefing:

Wine and cheese party format. Handed out ribbons for pledgers and contributors. Presentations on what's been done and plans for future.

Thea McLean was commended for her work on membership.

The committee plans to work closely with Chair on Momentum 86, and on the organization of Membership Finance committee. Seeking volunteers.

Finance coordinator (Perry Willis):  
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The mailing to LPC houselist produced \$168 in new pledges. Perry has prepared a calendar of mailings; he also designed and implemented the donor briefing, and is writing a prospectus.

The previous day, Jack Dean & Perry raised approximately \$2400 in cash and \$1500 in annual pledges. The banquet raised approximately \$2000 in cash and \$8520 in annual pledges.

Eric Garris volunteered to organize work parties for mailings.

Perry's new address is 332 South 11th Street #6, San Jose 95112. 408-295-5206.

Jack Dean reminded us of the importance of pledging by members of the executive committee.

Statistics - on registration since 79. 50,000 of those who registered in 79 have been dropped and replaced by new people. (This includes people who have moved and re-registered.)

San Diego Membership Drive (Rick Arnold):  
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San Diego requested a change in county/state dues split for certain paid memberships. See attachment B.

Bill Evers moved to commit the request to the Membership/Finance Committee. The motion passed. (See Resolutions section for later action on the request.)

Contract Services Management Committee (Jack Dean):  
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Have written agreements with Bob & Perry, will revise as needed. They are independent contractors, so agreement can be terminated at any time by either party.

Deficit good in one way - was used to see if people wanted to projects enough to support them financially.

Standing Committee On Conventions (Sam Treynor):  
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Los Angeles County's Region 61 said they will host the next convention.

California Activist (Mary Gingell):  
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Mary not have time to do any more. Various suggestions offered.

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National Committee (Mark Hinkle):  
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National convention will be held August 14-18 1985 in Phoenix at the Hyatt Regency (45 single or double). Chair Kathy Harrick. Confirmed speakers: Karl Hess, Gene Burns. Larry Dodge, keynote speaker. Projected price \$160-240.

Goals workshop was held the weekend after the election to establish a set of goals for the national party.

Miscellaneous:  
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Cynthia Hilton volunteered to be on style committee for by-laws.

OLD BUSINESS:  
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Jack Dean said space needed to store 10-12 boxes of LPC files.

NEW BUSINESS:  
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Mary Gingell was re-appointed as chair of Membership/Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS:  
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Dennis Schlumpf proposed the following resolution:

"Whereas the future of the Libertarian Party as a viable national organization is threatened by the split of ex-Natcom members and leading activists such as Ed Crane, Andrea Millen Rich, Howie Rich, Leslie Key and David Koch,

Whereas the increasing distance between the LP and the rest of the movement is a dangerous trend,

Be it resolved that the Libertarian Party of California petitions the Libertarian National Committee to initiate a formal process of negotiations with leading ex-members and activists without delay or conditions for the purpose of achieving a working unity."

After discussion, Mike Hall proposed the following substitute resolution:

"Whereas ex-Natcom members and leading activists such as Ed Crane, Andrea Millen Rich, Howie Rich, Leslie Graves and David Koch have contributed much to the growth of the Libertarian Party,

Therefore be it resolved that

The Libertarian Party of California urges the above names individuals to re-affiliate with the Libertarian Party and join us in working toward our common goal."

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The substitute resolution was passed by a roll call vote, as follows:

In favor: Cynthia Hilton, Fred Foldvary, Mark Sweany, Barry Chapman, Bill Evers, Mary Gingell, Mark Hinkle, Linda Torno, Richard Arnold, Louis Misko, Jerry Douglas, Nancy Neale, Larry Leathers, Laurel Fest, Mike Hall, Sam Treynor, Gail Lightfoot.

Opposed: John Carl

Abstained: Dennis Schlumpf, Lyn Sapowski.

Not present: Mark Schermerhorn, Karen Huffman, Dan Weiner, Steve Krueger, Dan Nichols, Melinda Pillsbury-Foster.

As chair, Jack Dean did not vote, but noted that he favored the resolution.

The following resolution, proposed by Eric Garris, was passed:

"Whereas, the Libertarian Party opposes the draft as slavery, and encourages, counsils, aids, and abets young men to resist selective service registration,

therefore, be it resolved that the Libertarian Party of California applauds Paul Jacob for his acts of resistance against the Selective Service.

And be it further resolved that local chapters of the LPC sponsor solidarity demonstrations on May 5, the day before Jacob's trial."

The following resolution, proposed by Mary Gingell on behalf of the Membership Finance committee, was passed:

"The executive committee urges creative approaches to membership drives and other projects by local regions.

The attached San Diego proposal is accepted as described, for a one month trial period beginning April 1, 1985. The LPC treasurer will arrange to rebate \$4 on memberships obtained through this process and so documented.

The project can be extended for subsequent one-month periods for 3 additional months subject to review of the results and approval of extension by the LPC chair.

Additional such proposals should be submitted to the Membership/Finance Committee for review and modification on a case by case basis."

The next meeting was scheduled for mid-May in the Los Angeles area.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurel Fest, Secretary  
Libertarian Party of California

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Attachment A

CREDENTIALLED ADDENDEES

Jack Dean, Orange  
Richard Arnold, San Diego  
Louis Misko, San Diego  
Dan Weiner, Ventura  
Malinda Pillsbury-Foster, Los Angeles, 61  
Nancy Neale, Los Angeles, 61  
Larry Leathers, Los Angeles, 62  
Steve Krueger, Los Angeles, 63  
Laurel Fest, Los Angeles, 64  
Mike Hall, Los Angeles, 64  
Dave Nichols, Los Angeles, 66  
Sam Treynor, Los Angeles, 66  
Gail Lightfoot, Los Angeles, 67  
Cynthia Hilton, Alameda  
Fred Foldvary, Alameda  
Mark Sweany, Butte  
John Carl, Contra Costa  
Mark Shermerhorn, Fresno  
Barry Chapman, Placer  
Dennis Schlumpf, Placer  
Eric Garris, San Francisco  
Lyn Sapowski, San Mateo  
Bill Evers, Santa Clara  
Mary Gingell, Santa Clara  
Mark Hinkle, Santa Clara  
Karen Huffman, Santa Clara  
Linda Torno, Santa Clara