

LP Executive Committee

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Libertarian National Committee was held on Sunday, **September 4, 1994**, at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time, by telephone conference call.

All five of the voting members were present at the beginning of the meeting:

- > The chair, Steve Dasbach;
- > The vice chair, Karen Allard;
- > The secretary, John D. Famularo;
- > The treasurer, Hugh A. Butler; and
- > The LNC representative, Sharon Ayres. Non-voting observers were also present.

Karen Allard reported that the petitions for ballot access in New York had been turned in and that the petitions were challenged. She said that it was her intention to provide some financial assistance from the ballot access fund for the challenge.

She added that the national party would only provide financial assistance to the South Carolina party for a lawsuit if the U.S. Supreme Court accepts the appeal.

She said the field coordinator, Joseph Knight, had started working in Idaho.

(Karen Allard left the meeting at 9:15 p.m. EDT.)

The national director, Perry Willis, reported that he had met with Richard Mayberry about the research into FEC and IRS filings and limiting the party's liabilities. Perry Willis added that he would meet with an insurance agency within the next week.

Perry Willis said he was refining the proposal for the national headquarters to provide some services to the candidates for the Presidential nomination.

He said fund raising letters had been sent to long-term expired former members and that more fund raising letters would be sent in the near future.

Perry Willis said the cash flow at the headquarters was tight.

The subject of national director "burn out" was discussed in general.

Steve Dasbach discussed the need to revise the Policy Manual so the headquarters could provide assistance to candidates for the Presidential nomination. He said the rules were intended to prevent favoritism, but unintentionally prevented the headquarters from providing any help to the candidates. He said a mail ballot of the LNC would be needed.

He specifically emphasized that the present policy would prevent much of the candidate support that the party has been providing in the past, and that the policy needs to be revised whether or not Presidential campaign services were provided.

Perry Willis said the only service being considered is "caging" (including credit card processing and preparation of line 11a of the FEC report).

Steve Dasbach said the Presidential "caging" service would be offered only if more than one candidate wished to take advantage of it.

Hugh Butler said any changes should be made carefully. Sharon Ayres said the party or headquarters should not back one candidate over another.

It was agreed that a mail ballot was needed. Steve Dasbach said he intended to send a memo to the LNC, asking for input. Based on that input, he intended to ask the LNC Executive Committee at its next telephone-conference meeting to authorize the wording of the mail ballot of the LNC on changes in the Policy Manual.

Ron Crickenberger reported on the campaigns — in particular, financial assistance to candidates in New Hampshire.

The 1996 Presidential campaign was discussed in general.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted, Gary E. Johnson, recording secretary.