

# LP Executive Committee

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Libertarian National Committee was held on Sunday, September 18, 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.

The national director, Perry Willis, said membership had increased due to recent membership renewal letters sent to long-term expired members. He said the next fund raising letters would be sent to the printer in the next week.

He said the telephone fund raiser, Alexis Thompson in Arizona, should be able to resume fund raising in the next week.

The director of communications, Bill Winter, said campaign manuals had been mailed to 600 candidates. Also, the 600 candidates will receive in the next week information about Operation Safe Streets and Project Healthy Choice. Bill Winter said his monthly mailing was sent to state chairs and LNC members. The next issue of the *Libertarian Volunteer* newsletter should go to the printer in the next week.

The campaign area manager, Ron Crickenberger, reported on the results of New Hampshire candidates who had received financial assistance from the national party. The goal was for them to get "dual nominations" as a Democrat or Republican as well as a Libertarian. He claimed 9 "wins" and 5 "loses."

Ron Crickenberger reported that he had been unable to reach Tamara Clark, a candidate for the Nevada State Senate, for an accounting of the substantial funding that she had received or for her receipts. Karen Allard expressed concern that Tamara Clark had not provided the information that she had promised.

Ron Crickenberger said he would send the LNC a full written evaluation of the funding of campaigns across the nation. He said the overall quality of the campaigns this year appeared to better than ever before.

Karen Allard had distributed a written report on ballot access.

John Famularo said the minutes of the most recent LNC meeting would be mailed out in the next week along with the updated Policy Manual.

Perry Willis said the LNC may want to create additional accounts in the book keeping system to comply with Federal Election Commission regulations, such as for a building fund, the sales of materials, and membership income from state affiliates. He said he would like to continue to research this matter in the next two weeks and have the legal counsel, Bill Hall, review it.

Hugh Butler said the system should comply with FEC regulations but be as simple as possible.

Perry Willis said the former national director, Stuart Reges, was working on the programming for the FEC automation.

The subject of the headquarters providing services to the Presidential campaigns was discussed.

Perry Willis said such services would include "caging" and possibly credit card processing.

He said caging would consist of taking in contributions in the form of checks and possibly credit card payments, establishing "source codes" in the book keeping system based on which solicitation the donor was responding to, entering the data on names and amounts, and making that information available to the candidate.

Another service to the Presidential candidate could be for the headquarters to prepare the revenue part of campaign reports to the Federal Election Commission.

Perry Willis said the headquarters would charge the candidate a start-up fee and a per-transaction fee for the services. He added that the candidates would be asked to sign a solicitation letter that the LP mail would mail to their donors, asking them to contribute to and join the Libertarian Party.

Steve Dasbach said he needed information from the Party's bank about offering credit card processing before sending a proposal to the LNC regarding offering to contract services to the Presidential campaigns. He said it was his intent to first send a proposal to the LNC and get input before proceeding on a vote on changes in the Policy Manual and in the budget.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted, Gary E. Johnson, recording secretary.