

LP Executive Committee

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Libertarian National Committee was held on **Sunday, August 7, 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, reported on his work writing fundraising letters.

He said the cash flow at the national headquarters was expected to be tight in the next few weeks.

Separately, Perry Willis said that a former employee had filed for unemployment compensation.

The director of communications, Bill Winter, said he had finished work on the "number 10 envelope" package which is sent as a response to inquiries for information [from the 800#]. He had prepared a new advertisement for *LP News* to market the materials sold at the headquarters. Work on the campaign manual from Ron Crickenberger was scheduled to go to the printer in the next week.

Bill Winter reported on Congressional lobbying, including meeting with Representatives Rob Andrews and Bill Zeff on the A to Z Plan.

Karen Allard reported on ballot access. She said the ballot access chair, Bill Redpath, estimated that if the national party assisted with the New York State ballot drive, it would cost \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Karen Allard reported on ballot drives in Massachusetts, Illinois, and Iowa. She said she had contacted activists in Alaska to make sure that the party is not caught off guard on ballot access requirements "like last time."

She said the Alabama LP executive committee had passed a resolution asking the national party for assistance on a lawsuit regarding the percentage of the vote needed to remain a qualified party.

The New York ballot drive was discussed. It was agreed that the national party did not have the cash flow at this time to assist the state party. It was also agreed that the national chair should continue to monitor the New York ballot drive and the HQ cash flow situation and to notify the Executive Committee of any substantive changes in either situation.

Hugh Butler expressed concern that expenditures for ballot access this year had been more than expected. Karen Allard pointed out that ballot access expenses were unpredictable. Sharon Ayres said that next year's budget should allow for unexpected ballot access expenses, such as for the discovery of fraudulent signatures.

Karen Allard relayed information from the field coordinator, Joseph Knight, on organizing in North Dakota.

Perry Willis reported that the South Carolina LP had requested national assistance in appealing to the U.S. Supreme Court a decision by the South Carolina Supreme Court. Steve Dasbach said the matter would be discussed at the LNC meeting on August 20 and 21 in Washington, D.C. He said the party's legal counsel, Bill Hall, recommended that the ruling ought to be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court and that the national party should pay \$750 of the expenses.

Perry Willis reported that the telemarketing list had been sent to Alexis Thompson in Arizona and telephone fund raising should resume within the next week.

Steve Dasbach said he and John Famularo had drawn up a written proposal for a policy on liabilities and operating the party in accordance the law. Steve Dasbach said the Executive Committee would take action on the proposal at its next telephone conference call on Sunday, August 14.

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

Respectfully submitted, Gary E. Johnson, recording secretary.