

Minutes.

Libertarian National Committee Executive Committee. Regular Meeting, Wednesday, June 21, 1995. [Second Draft.]

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Libertarian National Committee was held on Wednesday, June 21, 1995, at 8:40 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, by telephone conference call.

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

- the chair, Steve Dasbach,
- the vice chair, Karen Allard,
- the treasurer, Hugh A. Butler, and
- the LNC representative, Sharon Ayres.

The secretary, John D. Famularo, was absent. Non-voting observers were also present.

Steve Dasbach briefly discussed the ballot access efforts in Arizona.

The national director, Perry Willis, proclaimed paid membership had reached a new high, 12,811.

Perry Willis noted that he was sending accounts payable reports to the Executive Committee every Wednesday. He said spending in the previous month had been heavy due to ballot access, moving expenses, and computer purchases.

He said the move into the Watergate Building would take place on July 1, with the supplies from the old office being boxed by June 30. John Famularo has arranged for the telephone and wiring installation. Perry Willis said the painting and preparation of the new office were on schedule. New furniture would arrive in mid-July.

Perry Willis said he was designing new prospecting literature that could be used in the information package. Based on research by LNC member Don Ernberger, Perry Willis anticipated that the party would need to have literature ready to respond to as many as 50,000 inquiries to the toll-free telephone number from the appearance of the July 1996 national convention on C-SPAN. A piece of new literature would be a magazine format, 16 to 20 pages, stapled, with a response card stitched inside.

Perry Willis reported that a second staff member, Chris Williams from North Carolina, had been hired to work with Scott Kaulhaus on telemarketing. Perry Willis added that project manager Cynthia Fellows was working on the distribution of membership cards to life members.

Sharon Ayres reported on Development, noting that she and Jack Dean had raised funds for the party from donors to the Harry Browne presidential campaign who had "maxed out."

Bill Winter reported on Affiliate Support. He said he is working with the Arkansas and Oklahoma state parties to get reorganized and revitalized, and that progress is being made.

Karen Allard reported on Ballot Access. She said Cynthia Fellows was keeping in touch with ballot access chair Bill Redpath. Perry Willis said a goal was for the national headquarters to report weekly on ballot access.

Karen Allard said she was communicating with a local activist to revitalize the Iowa state party.

Hugh Butler said that, based on his communication with state party treasurers, he thought the national party may need to serve an advisory role to state parties on accounting issues such as organizing bank accounts and paying taxes.

Steve Dasbach reported that he had received a response from the legal counsel, Bill Hall, regarding a Federal Bureau of Investigation's agent's inappropriate questions about membership in the Libertarian Party.

Steve Dasbach said Bill Hall felt there would be no value in complaining to the FBI but it would be wise to file a Freedom of Information Act request. Steve Dasbach said he would ask Nancy Lord to file a FOI request for the FBI files on the Libertarian Party.

Bill Winter raised questions about a planned meeting in October of a group that called itself "the Council of State Chairs." Hugh Butler noted that a Libertarian organization headed by former national chair Alicia Clark already used that name. Steve Dasbach said it should be made clear that the meeting was not an official activity of the national Libertarian Party.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted, Gary E. Johnson, recording secretary.