

MINUTES OF THE FLP STATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 10th, 1975

The meeting was convened by Chairperson Gary Greenberg at 1:30 PM in Room 114 of Hunter High School, 68th Street & Lexington Avenue, NYC.

Present were: Gary Greenberg, Susan Corkery, Charlie Blood, Martin Nixon, Dolores Grande, Mike Nichols, Carolyn Keelen, Don Feder, Bill Miller (New York), John Deane (Capitol District). John Caulfield arrived later.

The Minutes of the April 6th meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

The next order of business was the Mid-Hudson charter. The Secretary ascertained that the proposed Mid-Hudson By-Laws met the requirements of the State FLP By-Laws. The Chair inquired as to who had received notice of the Mid-Hudson Organizing Convention, and was informed that the notice had been mailed to everyone on Sandy Cohen's mailing list. The Mid-Hudson Charter was approved by unanimous consent.

The credentials of P. Jean Carroll as the State Committee Representative of the Mid-Hudson Area Free Libertarian Party were then accepted by unanimous consent; she then being seated.

P. Jean Carroll then introduced Vivian Wadlin as the Alternate State Committee Representative from the Mid-Hudson Area, and talked about the planned activities of the Mid-Hudson Organization.

Dolores Grande delivered the Treasurer's Report. The Chair mentioned that the Scrapbooks were already in the office and referred to some other bills that had come in. The Treasurer's Report was approved by unanimous consent.

The State Committee then commenced discussion on the budget.

Dolores Grande presented the cash-flow estimates that had been drawn up by her, Susan Corkery and Charlie Blood. For a three-month prerioid they were:

Rent.....	\$437.50
Electricity.....	37.50
Telephone.....	75.00
Press Relations.....	45.00
Prospects.....	20.00
Membership.....	75.00
Office Supplies.....	25.00
Misc.....	82.00

After some discussion, the Misc was changed to Contingency and rounded off to \$85. These figures were then accepted by unanimous consent.

Mike Nichols and Lee Schubert then distributed the informational materials of the newsletter (Exhibits I & II attached to the singed copy of these minutes). This was followed by some discussion. Bill Miller then moved adoption of the Newsletter Budget prepared by Mike Nichols. This was followed by more discussion. The State Committee then approved by unanimous vote a Budget of \$929 for 64 pages covering the June through Nov-Dec issues. The breakdown being as follows:

Printing.....	\$444.00
Postage.....	245.00
Misc.....	240.00
(supplies, photos, trans, typist)	



The Chair then suggested a newsletter subscription rate of \$5 for members and \$7.50 for non-members. This was moved by Martin Nixon, seconded by Donald Feder. Charlie Blood offered an amendment to raise the members' rate to \$6. The amendment failed to carry: the vote was 5-yes, 5-no, the Chair choosing not to break the tie. On the main motion, the vote was 5-yes, 5-no, the Chair voting 'yes' to break the tie: the motion carried.

Bill Miller moved that the retail price for single copies be set at 75¢. This motion failed. Bill Miller voting 'yes' - all others 'no'.

John Caulfield moved that the price be set at 65¢. The vote was 4-yes, 4-no. The motion failed when the Chair declined to break the tie.

Charlie Blood moved that the price be set at 50¢. This motion carried by a vote of 4-yes, 2-no.

Charlie Blood then moved that the three-month figures be extended through the end of the year by multiplying by three. After some discussion over the exact amounts this was approved unanimously. The figures are:

Rent.....	\$ 1,312.50
Electricity.....	112.50
Telephone.....	225.00
Press Releases.....	135.00
Prospects.....	60.00
Membership.....	225.00
Office Supplies.....	75.00
Contingency.....	555.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,700.00

[The Contingency appropriation is mainly for any additional costs in postage (mailing Press Releases) and in the Prospect and Membership drives.]

The main motion to adopt a line-item budget (with the cash-flow and newsletter figures adopted earlier) was then approved unanimously.

The State Committee recessed for five minutes.

When the State Committee reconvened, Carolyn Keelen moved, seconded by Bill Miller, then Ken Kalcheim be refunded his dues of \$10 - he having resigned from the FLP and having given no intention of rejoining under the new dues structure. After some discussion on this issue, the motion was approved by a vote of 4-yes, 2-no.

Gary Greenberg then read portions of a written report that Ray Strong had sent in regarding the plans and activities of the Presidential Convention Committee. Gary had some question about the lines of responsibility of that Committee. P. Jean Carroll had a question as to who would be responsible for the planned loan by the Convention Committee from the National LP. After some discussion, Carroll moved, seconded by Susan Corkery, that the head of the Presidential Convention Committee be present, or have someone present at the next meeting of the State Committee to answer any questions that the State Committee may have. The motion carried unanimously.



Charlie Blood then reported in the Membership Drive.


Don Feder talked about campus organizing, mentioning that the Capitol District Organization had been finding interest and support at the many colleges in the Albany area. Gary suggested that Don and Charlie should get together to make plans for a campus organizing program for this coming September.

The question of lobbying in Albany was then discussed - but no formal decision was reached on the exact procedures to be followed in this area.

The State Committee then discussed the date for the next meeting. After various dates had been thrown out, June 22nd (Sunday) was approved unanimously.

John Deane then moved, seconded by Don Feder, that it be held in Poughkeepsie. There was some discussion on this. The Chair pointed out that the last attempt to hold a State Committee meeting in Poughkeepsie failed for lack of a quorum. Deane and Feder pointed out the travelling difficulties of the upstate people. There was also some mention of those State Committee members who spend their weekends at Fire Island. Finally the motion carried: 6-yes, 3-no.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

  
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Secretary, FLP