

**LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA**  
**Sunday, February 20, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting**  
**Burgundy Room at Sheraton Gateway Hotel, 6101 West Century**

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:09 pm.

Officers:

Aaron Starr, Chair  
Lawrence Samuels, Northern Vice Chair  
Mark Selzer, Southern Vice Chair  
Willard Michlin, Treasurer  
Daniel Wiener, Secretary

At-Large:

Ted Brown  
Bruce Dovner  
Kevin Takenaga  
Bruce Cohen  
Mark Whitney

Richard Newell  
M Carling  
Paul Ireland  
W. Rick Nichol  
Ed Ronquillo

Alternates:

Frank Manske (not present)  
Erich Miller

David Ruprecht, Executive Director

Introductions were made:

Aaron Starr is a CPA, Controller of a \$460 million company, and interested in elections.

M Carling is a parliamentarian and is involved in banking and real estate in former Soviet Union countries. He can speak numerous languages (except Arabic), has been involved in biophysics and international drug design, and has been a Stanford Law School lecturer.

Edward Ronquillo is a college student and realtor.

Paul Ireland has been a computer aerospace engineer and a pit boss and a technical trainer. He is trying (so far unsuccessfully) to get his wife out of Vietnam. He considers his bulldoggedness to be a primary trait.

Mark Whitney is a business startup entrepreneur, specializes in persuasion, once owned an ad agency (dealing with TV, radio, newsrooms), is a legal researcher, and is a stand-up comedy (standupcomic.com).

Rick Nichol has experience with American quarter horses, as a machinist, architect, space planner and office designer, working on a Disney kids television show, has design and presentation skills, is a good team member, and is tenacious but needs direction.

Kevin Takenaga is a computer software consultant dealing with infrastructure.

Bruce Cohen is a realtor and has experience as a retail sales manager, with marketing and writing, and with outgoing email.

Daniel Wiener the Libertarian Party's official Elder Statesman. He's also an electronic engineer dealing with software and hardware design, and (with Aaron Starr) a failed dot-com wannabe entrepreneur.

Lawrence Samuels is a realtor, has been involved with the Rampart Institute, with the Future of Freedom Conference series, with a typesetting & marketing company, and has been an author and editor.

Richard Newell is an electrical engineer, has worked in middle management, was a director of marketing at a start-up company, and is no good at speaking.

Ted Brown has been a member of the LP since 1978, recruits partisan candidates, has run 13 times for public office, and is an insurance claims adjuster.

Bruce Dovner has been in the LP since 1974, teaches math at junior colleges. He is an Intranet developer, technical writer, LPC webmaster, is active in voter registration, and has been a candidate a few times

Willard Michlin has been active in public speaking. He is a real estate broker and manager, is an accountant, a marketing and business consultant, a negotiator, , has a business brokerage business, and knows how to squeeze a nickel out of dollar.

Mark Selzer has experience in fast food preparation, is an artist, has an Internet business selling collectibles, is a political activist, and has skills in fundraising and membership recruitment and public access television.

Erich Miller has been an LP candidate, is Region 61 chair, is a musician (steel drummer), rehabs mid-century modern homes, is becoming an architect, and has experience in graphic design.

David Ruprecht has a background in show business.

All Executive Committee members have become monthly pledgers.

#### Officers Reports:

Chair said he wants to elect people and support elected Libertarians. He wants to extend Operation Breakthrough by reaching out to existing elected officials. There will be biweekly teleconference calls on Sundays at 8 pm.

The Northern Vice-Chair asked about money from Shasta checking account.

The Southern Vice-Chair suggested conflict resolution for regional factions. There's a need to heal splits. He needs phone numbers to contact recently lapsed members, and he also needs inquirie names.

The Secretary reported on database access, the Executive Committee email list, email ballots, and minutes. Executive Committee members should send photos for the website.

The Treasurer reported on the preliminary budget, which was then approved on a vote of 11-4. Voting in favor were Aaron Starr, Lawrence Samuels, Mark Selzer, Daniel Wiener, Ted Brown, Bruce Dovner, Kevin Takenaga, Bruce Cohen, Richard Newell, M Carling, and W. Rick Nichol. Voting against were Willard Michlin, Mark Whitney, Paul Ireland, and Ed Ronquillo.

The next meeting was set for Saturday, May 7, 2005 in San Jose.

The next teleconference was set for Sunday, March 13, 2005 at 8 pm.

The meeting was adjourned.