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Minutes
Libertarian Party of California
Executive Committee Meeting
11/5/86

1. Chair's Report:
 - A. Results of previous mail ballots are that the LPC is involved in a challenge against Prop 49 and the ExCom voted to endorse the Richard Winger proposal of nominating via convention ballots.
 - B. Computer- The San Jose office has obtained an IBM AT.
 - C. Liberty Bell is on-line and includes the LPC platform.
 - D. No fundraising has been done since the last meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report:

The LPC currently has a surplus of \$8,204 but the treasurer warned of the continuing loss of pledge support.
3. Southern Vice Chair's Report:
 - A. Long Active- Long Active has spent \$1,500 and has distributed 8,500 copies of the LP News. Long Active has also attracted 30 new activists.
 - B. The SVC reminded all candidates and local regions not to allow regional postal permits to be used by candidates.
4. NatCom Representative:

After lengthy debate and a vote to suspend the rules, a vote was taken to rescind the election of Mike Hall to the National Executive Committee. This vote was 12 in favor, 10 against and one abstention. The motion to rescind failed for lack of a two-thirds majority.
5. Fundraising/Membership:

The annual renewals will be mailed in the first week of december. There will be a mailing for new pledges in early January. The Chair issued a call for all ExCom Reps. to join the pledge program.
6. Contract Services Management Committee:
 - A. David Bergland reiterated his offer to help write the contracts of all the contract service employees.
 - B. Database contract- A database contract of \$500/month was proposed. The entire ExCom voted to refer the contract to the Contract Services Committee who would then issue a recommendation. There would then be a mail ballot of the entire ExCom upon the Database contract.
 - C. Computer Contract- The entire ExCom voted to refer the proposed computer contract to the CSMC and have a mail ballot upon their recommendation.
7. Newsletter Report:

Sarah Foster gave a report on the financial situation in relation to the newsletter.
8. Computer Committee:

The database has been switched to a PC. The database includes pledgers, members, expired members, donors and previous donors. The voter list is not available thru the pc.
9. Strategy Committee:

The Strategy Committee proposed the following projects.

 - A. Media Relations- a handbook on media relations, similar to a handbook available from the League of Women Voters. The LPC should build a media kit for journalists.

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 - B. Immigration- This issue should be used in coalition building.
10. Legal Committee:
 - A. John C. Carr- A judgement for \$160,000 has been entered John C. Carr. His whereabouts are unknown and a collection agency may need to be hired.
 - B. Executive Services- The possibility of settling with them and using that settlement to pursue the other defendants was raised.
 - C. Prop. 49- The Committee for Party Renewal lawsuit is being continued.
 - D. Nevada County agreed not to use the abbreviation Lib. and to instead use the full name Libertarian on any and all future ballots.
11. National Committee Report:

There is a continuing budget crisis for the National LP. The ballot drive in Texas was successful, but the LP lost ballot status in Idaho.
12. 1987 Convention:

Terms were worked out in which the LPC will receive \$1,000 plus 10% for the rights to the 1987 State Convention.
13. LPC PAC:

Jerry Douglass reported that the PAC had worked with the statewide campaigns and had \$400 left to be given to the State Treasury. A Motion to keep the PAC active was passed by the ExCom. A motion to have the PAC print educational comic books failed.
14. By-Laws Committee:

Brian Esterson, Lyn Sapowsky, Bill White, Mike Fowler and Sally Foster were elected to the 1987 By-Laws Committee.
15. Platform Committee Chair:

Steve Krueger was elected to be 1987 Platform Committee Chair.
16. Resolutions:

A resolution to send an open letter to the Valley edition of the Los Angeles Times passed. This letter pointed out the differences between official Party positions and those of Libertarian candidate George Abrahams.