

# **Minutes.**

## **Libertarian National Committee Executive Committee. Regular Meeting, Wednesday, May 13, 1998. [Draft.]**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Libertarian National Committee was held on Wednesday, May 13, 1998, at 8:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time by telephone conference call.

Four of the six voting members were present at the meeting:

- Stephen L. Dasbach, the chair;
- Gary E. Johnson, the secretary;
- Joseph W. Dehn III, LNC representative; and
- William W. Hall, LNC representative.

Karen A. Allard, the vice chair, and Hugh A. Butler, the treasurer, were absent.

Non-voting observers Ken Bisson, John Buttrick, Ron Crickenberger, and Mark Tuniewicz were also present.

The national director, Ron Crickenberger, said membership passed 26,000. He reported on telephone calls asking lapsed members to renew and asking current members to give to the monthly pledge program.

He said Geoffrey Neale had conducted an inventory at the office of the physical assets. Geoff Neale and Barbara Goushaw were purchasing a secure cabinet to hold the computers and protect them in the event of a break-in at the party headquarters in the Watergate.

Ron Crickenberger said a preliminary draft of the audit had been received from the independent auditor. Steve Dasbach said the audit said the party ended 1997 with a net worth of \$10,000 and the party had no federal income tax liability in 1996 or 1997. Ron Crickenberger said the management letter should be received in the next week. Ron Crickenberger said the 1996 and 1997 audits would be sent the 1996 Audit Committee and the 1997 Audit Committee and then to the Libertarian National Committee.

Ron Crickenberger reported that 664 Libertarian candidates had announced to run, 152 for Congress.

Ron Crickenberger said the agreement for the national convention with the Washington Convention Center had been reached. He said Kris Williams and Bill Hall had been "enormously helpful."

Ron Crickenberger said members in Arizona had requested the Arizona portion of the national mailing list. Steve Dasbach said the policy has been to send the state portion of the mailing list to the state affiliate and then let the state affiliate decide who in the state could use it. Mark Tuniewicz suggested letting Regional Representatives have access to the mailing list. Joe Dehn said the national leadership should stay out of an internal dispute in a state affiliate. Bill Hall said a policy should be set at an LNC meeting. He said a group that is suing the LNC should not have access to the mailing list.

Ron Crickenberger said the premium for the directors and officers insurance would \$6,250.

Joe Dehn moved to authorize up to \$150,000, subject to the funds available, for the next mailing for Project Archimedes. The motion passed.

The next Executive Committee meeting was set for Wednesday, June 10.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted, Gary E. Johnson, secretary.