



*LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 3, 2015*

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CALL TO ORDER

Nick Sarwark called the meeting to order at 9:32 p.m. (all times Eastern).

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee members participating were: Nick Sarwark (Chair), Alicia Mattson (Secretary), Tim Hagan (Treasurer), Sam Goldstein (At-Large), Jim Lark (Region 5), Bill Redpath (At-Large). Arvin Vohra (Vice Chair) joined the meeting shortly after the call to order.

Other LNC participants were: Vicki Kirkland (Region 2), Roland Riemers (Region 6)

Staff participants were: Wes Benedict (Executive Director)

Guest participants were: Ken Santema (Libertarian Party of South Dakota)

PURPOSE

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing a ballot access petition drive for South Dakota.

SOUTH DAKOTA BALLOT ACCESS

Discussion yielded the following background details: Mr. Redpath has long projected that the LNC would likely need to spend \$20,000 to achieve ballot access in South Dakota for our 2016 presidential ticket. A petitioner that the South Dakota affiliate has successfully used in the past (Charles Tuttle) has offered to complete the drive for \$15,000. A successful drive would result in party status for both the 2016 and 2018 election cycles, with a chance to retain for another 4 years if a 2018 gubernatorial candidate receives 2.5% of the vote. The South Dakota affiliate has collected 600 signatures so far towards the goal of 10,000 raw signatures to achieve 6,936 valid signatures. Mr. Santema believes the affiliate can collect an additional 1,000 volunteer signatures.

Mr. Redpath moved that the Libertarian National Committee encumber \$15,000 for a petition drive to acquire party status in South Dakota. Following discussion, the vote on the main motion was as follows:

Voting "aye": Goldstein, Hagan, Lark, Mattson, Redpath, Sarwark, Vohra

Voting "no": (none)

At the suggestion of Dr. Lark, without objection the Executive Committee adopted a motion to thank our colleagues in the Libertarian Party of South Dakota for their efforts and wish them all the best in this petition drive.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 9:48 p.m. Eastern.
