



*LNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE*

*CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES*

*JULY 25, 2011*

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*ATTENDANCE*

Executive Committee members present were: Mark Hinkle (Chair), Mark Rutherford (Vice Chair), Alicia Mattson (Secretary), Bill Redpath (Treasurer), Kevin Knedler, Jim Lark, and Mary Ruwart.

Other LNC members present were: Andy Wolf, Stewart Flood, Vicki Kirkland, and Dan Karlan.

Executive Director Wes Benedict was present representing staff.

Other guests were Rich Tomasso (as chair of the New Hampshire affiliate) and Richard Winger (ballot access guru extraordinaire).

*CALL TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order at 9:03pm Eastern on July 25, 2011.

*AGENDA*

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ballot access for New Hampshire.

## *NEW HAMPSHIRE BALLOT ACCESS*

In New Hampshire, a full party petition requires 13,698 valid signatures (20,000 raw), and it would qualify for full party status through the 2012 election cycle. Full party status would give our party a separate column on the ballot, rather than being combined with all "other candidates". Retention of party status for 2014 would require that the party candidate for Governor receive 4% of the vote. The New Hampshire affiliate expects it could collect 2,000 to 3,000 volunteer signatures and fundraise to pay for a similar amount.

Mr. Redpath moved that the Libertarian National Committee encumber \$28,000 for a party petition drive in New Hampshire.

After some additional discussion, voting on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Hinkle, Knedler, Lark, Redpath, Ruwart

Nay: Mattson, Rutherford

The motion was adopted by a vote of 5-2.

## *ADJOURNMENT*

Dr. Lark moved to adjourn. The motion was adopted without objection, and the Executive Committee adjourned at 9:48pm Eastern.