

## **GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, August 1, 2022, 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM via Zoom**

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### **1) Roll call: (5 mins)**

There are currently 18 CC committee members. Quorum is a simple majority of 10.

CC members: Mark Adams, David Bond, Nicole Castor, Susan Chunco, David Cobb, Charisse Cordero, Vicente Cruz, Mica Daniel, Ann Garrison, David Grover, Greg Jan, Nassim Nouri, Christine Pepin, Rohan Sabnis, Kevin Sabo, Phoebe Sorgen, Audra Walton, Laura Wells

**Present (13):** David Bond, Nicole Castor, Susan Chunco, Charisse Cordero, Vicente Cruz, Mica Daniel, David Grover, Greg Jan, Nassim Nouri, Christine Pepin, Rohan Sabnis (joined 7:41), Phoebe Sorgen (joined 7:55), Laura Wells, Justin Richardson (guest)

**Absent (5):** Mark Adams, David Cobb, Ann Garrison, Kevin Sabo, Audra Walton

**Quorum:** 11 of 18 were present at the finish of the Roll Call. With Quorum, the meeting convened, and 2 more joined later.

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### **(2) Roles 4 mins):**

#### **Roles for CC Call on August 1, 2022:**

Facilitator: Nassim Nouri

Note Taker: Mica Daniel

Timekeeper: Dave Grover

Vibes Watcher: Susan Chunco

#### **Roles for next month's CC Call on September 12, 2022**

Facilitator:

Note Taker: Vicente Cruz

other: TBD

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### **(3) Approval of the agenda - Approved**

**(3a) Late Items: Submitted by Greg and approved to be placed on the agenda as Item #7 due to it being time-sensitive**

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**(4) Approval of CC minutes (2 mins)** as posted to the CC email list by Justin Richardson on Jul 25, 2022, at 8:02 PM.

### **Approved**

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### **(5) Consent Items (5 mins)**

Background and Purpose: The consent calendar is intended to pass non-controversial items or items consensed prior to the actual meeting. Any item may be objected to, and that item will be placed at the end of the evening's agenda.

\*Proposal\*: Accept the following committee reports for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

Clearinghouse Committee & GROW joint meeting - July report - **Appendix A**

Bylaws Committee July report - **Appendix B**

Finance & Fundraising July report - **Appendix C**

Media Committee – did not meet in July due to members' travel

## Approved by consensus

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### **(6) UPDATES and APPOINTMENTS (5 mins)**

#### **(6a) Appointments:**

##### **(6a.1) Mica Daniel application to the Communications Committee**

Posted to the CC listserv on July 23, 2022, at 5:47pm

Dear Coordinating Committee,

My name is Maxine Mica Daniel. I am submitting my application to the newly formed Communications Committee.

I am a long-term Green and have been active on the Clearinghouse for several years and I would like to continue. I am also a member of the CC.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mica Daniel

- A screen shot of her Green Party registration status was shared by Mica Daniel to the CC listserv on July 27, 2022, at 7:34pm

##### **Mica Daniel was appointed to the Communications Committee**

##### **(6a.2) Nassim Nouri application to the Communications Committee**

Posted to the CC listserv on July 27, 2022, at 3:11pm

Nassim Nouri (she/her), 408-396-5722, San Jose, Santa Clara County

Please accept my application for appointment to the GPCA Communication Committee and CC liaison.

I have been serving as an elected member of the GPCA Coordinating Committee since 2018 and have served on a number of other GPCA Committees/Working Groups since late 2017 including as Co-coordinator of Clearinghouse since 12/2017, IT Committee member 2017-2019, GROW member since 2019, and serving as a volunteer for Media, IT, GA planning, and ERWG since 2019.

I was also appointed in 2016 to the Green Party of Santa Clara County Council member and elected to the County Council in 2020.

In applying to be appointed to the newly reorganized Communication Committee to further expand our communication platforms and continue working on the projects that I implemented such as GPCA online newsletter, County Council handbook, designing and distributing GPCA literature, volunteer onboarding and engagement.

- Nassim shared a screen shot of her Green Party registration status to the CC listserv on July 27, 2022, at 7:52pm

##### **Nassim Nouri was appointed to the Communications Committee**

##### **(6a.3) James Lauderdale application to the Bylaws and Rules Committee**

Posted to the CC listserv on July 27, 2022, at 3:51pm

I'm sending this as my application for the By Laws Committee of the GPCA. I have been active on the committee since 2016. I have a background in Administrative litigation which involved statutory construction and legal briefing (breaking down cases and their trajectory through the appeal process).

I believe I can make a contribution to streamlining our By Laws to better serve the functioning of the party.

James Lauderdale

- James included a screen shot of his Green Party registration status along with the application

##### **James Lauderdale was appointed to the Bylaws and Rules Committee**

##### **(6a.4) Mimi Newton application to the Bylaws and Rules Committee**

Posted to the CC listserv on July 28, 2022, at 12:04pm

Dear Coordinating Committee Members,

I am applying for reappointment to the GPCA Bylaws & Rules Committee. I am a lifelong Green and have been an active member of the GPCA Bylaws Committee for many years. I am also a former member of the CC. I am familiar with the GPCA bylaws and many of the GPCA rules. I have been an active Green in Marin County for many years as well. I am also an attorney, working for the US EPA in San Francisco. Since 2015, I have been an appointed Planning Commissioner in my hometown of Fairfax, Ca.

I am looking forward to continuing to be able to help the Party with Bylaws and Rules-related matters.

Mimi Newton

Marin Greens

- Mini Newton included a screenshot of her Green Party registration status along with the application

**Mimi Newton was appointed to the Bylaws and Rules Committee**

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**(6.b) 48-Hour Online Vote(s) and Results:**

**(6.b.1) 48-HOUR ONLINE VOTE: Proposal to support SB1407, CA Employee Ownership Act**

From: Greg Jan

Subject: Results for: 48-HOUR ONLINE VOTE: Proposal to support SB1407, CA Employee Ownership Act

Date: July 17, 2022, at 6:17:54 PM PDT

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

This online vote concluded at 11:12 am today.

RESULTS: The tally of online votes for this proposal are:

YES votes: 11 (Mark Adams, Susan Chunco, David Cobb, Charisse Cordero, Vicente Cruz, Mica Daniel, Nassim Nouri, Christine Pepin, Kevin Sabo, Phoebe Sorgen, Laura Wells)

NO votes: None

Not voting: David Bond, Nicole Castor, Ann Garrison, David Grover, Greg Jan, Rohan Sabnis, Audra Walton. (Sorry, I forgot to go back and vote on it myself).

**The proposal is approved, to sign on to the letter in support of CA Senate Bill 1407**

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**(6.c) Action Item Update (10 minutes)**

- May CC minutes updated on website – Nassim done
  - June CC minutes update on website - Nassim done
  - Jared Laiti to send approved GPCA Statement of Purpose to the CA SoS - done
  - Greg to sign the SB1407 letter of support on behalf of GPCA - done
  - David Bond to organize a Nov GA/workshop day planning meeting - pending
  - Bylaws team to resolve newly approved Bylaws article 9-10 and forward final Bylaws to Comms team to post –done
  - Communications team to update website with the approved Platform Pillar summaries – Nassim done
  - Communications team to promote co-sponsored 8/13 event - Nassim done
  - Committee work plans and budget requests are to be submitted to the Finance Committee, gpca-finance [cmte@cagreens.org](mailto:cmte@cagreens.org) (need to confirm exact email address), by Monday, September 05, 2022, for the fiscal year 1 January 2023 thru 31 December 2023.
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**(7) Late Decision Item: GPCA endorsement position for the November statewide partisan races**

**Sponsor:** Greg Jan

**Background and Purpose:** Yesterday (Sunday), our Liaison to the Secretary of State, Jared Laiti, posted to this list a message from the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters, alerting us to the August 17 deadline to submit our official political party endorsements (for the Top Two races), to be printed in the official county Voter Information Guides. (That letter is in the "Resources" section, further below). Because the only candidates who will be on the ballot for the partisan statewide races are all from either the Democratic or Republican parties, and because we only support or endorse non-corporate candidates, our endorsement position therefore effectively is, "Don't vote for either of these candidates". (Note: For these Top Two races no write-in candidates are allowed, and they don't print any write-in spaces, otherwise, of course, our position would be to write-in the statewide candidates whom we've already endorsed, and who were so listed as being endorsed by the Green Party for the June election), Although the county Voter Information Guides thus far have only listed the names of candidates on the ballot, there shouldn't be any real downside for us to submit our endorsement position of "Don't vote for either of these candidates", as some counties might actually go ahead and print that, as our position. (Note: For the June election, some counties mistakenly did print the name of a candidate for a non-partisan race in the Voter Information Guides, since that was what had been submitted to them). To help facilitate this, I wrote a "Draft letter to the county election officials" (copied below), for Jared to consider using.

**Proposal:** That the GPCA endorsement position for the November statewide partisan races will be: "Don't vote for either of these candidates" and that we will request for Jared Laiti to forward that position to the county election offices within one week.

**Implementation/Timeline:** Greg Jan will inform Jared by tomorrow (Tuesday, 8/2/22) of our endorsement position, to be forwarded to county election offices within one week and will also send him the "Draft letter to the county election officials" copied below for his possible use.

**Resources:**

July 31, 2022 Message to the CC from Jared Laiti: -- Please see Jared's message further below  
Draft letter to the county election officials:

Dear county elections official,

For the Green Party endorsements in the statewide races (namely Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner, and for both of the U.S. Senate contests), please print the following: "Don't vote for either of these candidates".

We would also appreciate it if you could please acknowledge receipt of this message.

Thank you,

Jared Laiti

Liaison to the Secretary of State  
Green Party of California

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**Discussions:** questions were answered about process, general agreement, concerns raised by Nicole Castor, she did not stand aside, decision goes to a vote:

**Vote result: 2 abstained and 10 voted, 8 yes and 2 no: proposal was approved**

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**Confirmed next CC meeting, September 12, 2022, from 7:30 PM until 9:30 PM**

**Meeting adjourned.**

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**APPENDICES**

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**APPENDIX A**

## **Clearinghouse/GROW Meeting Report, July 12, 2022, 7:30 pm**

1. Roles (5 min) - Facilitator: Mica, Notetaker: Michael
2. Roll Call (5 min)  
CH Present: Mica Daniel (Alameda), Absent: Nassim Nouri (SCC)  
GROW Present: Rick Greenblatt (San Diego), Richard Gomez (Fresno), Barry Hermanson (San Francisco), Michael Shin (Orange), Chuck Reutter (Riverside)
3. Adopt agenda - review last month's min & actions (5 min) – Adopted
4. Clearinghouse Report (10 min) - Mica reported on successful fundraising with GPCA t-shirt sales.
5. GROW (20 min) - Rebuilding Riverside (Chuck Reutter)  
Chuck announced his plan to rebuild the Green Party in Riverside County, city by city using the list of registered Green voters.
6. From the old to the new committee structures (20 min)  
GROW and CH are morphing into a communications committee, and membership and outreach committee. Rick Greenblatt suggested one more meeting before the transition, with crucial members such as Nassim and Laura in attendance, in order to work out the details of the transition.  
Rick will contact Tarik Kanaana and try to get him in the next meeting. Mica will invite Rick to the GA wrap-up meeting.
7. Confirm next second Tuesday conference call, August 9, 2022, 7:30 pm (5 min) - Confirmed.
8. Announcements (5 min) - Michael shared a new organizing strategy video from the Green Socialist Organizing Project- Organizing 101 <https://youtu.be/-9jG-EWR-TY>
9. Adjourned 8:40 pm

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## **APPENDIX B**

### **Bylaws and Rules Committee Report, July 17, 2022**

Submitted By: Mimi Newton, Co-Co Bylaws and Rules Committee  
Date of the last By Laws and Rules Committee Meeting: Sunday, July 17, 2022  
Present: James Lauderdale, Mimi Newton, Absent: Kevin Sabo  
Date of the next Bylaws Committee Meeting: Sunday, August 7, 2022, at 12:30 pm pacific - Zoom invitation to be determined.  
Any significant actions the Committee is taking:  
The Bylaws and Rules Committee will be updating the Bylaws that were amended during the July GPCA General Assembly regarding Committees and their roles. A clean copy of the revised section is below at Attachment 1 for review by the CC. The Bylaws and Rules Committee will be replying to Elizabeth Green's proposed amendments regarding why the Bylaws Committee did not incorporate these changes into the proposal that was acted upon at the July 2022 GA.  
The Bylaws and Rules Committee will be coordinating a Committees Coordinators call sometime later this summer.  
Plans for the next Bylaws and Rules Committee Meeting: The Bylaws Committee will discuss a strategy for proposing revisions to the online voting process. ATTACHMENT 1: Article 9. Other Committees (as last amended 07/09/2022)

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## **APPENDIX C**

### **Finance and Fundraising Committee Report, July 21, 2022, 7:30 pm**

- (1) Roll Call: Justin Richardson, Mica Daniel
- (2) Roles:  
Facilitator: Justin Richardson  
Note Taker: Mica Daniel

Timekeeper:

Vibes Watcher: All

(3) This is the first meeting of the Finance committee. Build and approve the agenda.

(4) Approve minutes of June 23, 2022, as posted by Mica Daniel to GPCA CC on Sunday, July 3, 2022, @ 2:02 PM - Approved

(5) Review 2022 schedules and deadlines from FPPC when we need to turn in our forms:

Political Parties committees:

<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules/where-and-when-to-file-campaign-statements/when-to-file-campaign-statements-state-local-filing-schedules.htm>

August 1, 2022, All file 450 or 460

Sept. 29, 2022, 1st Pre-Election Filing

Oct. 17, 2022, 2nd Pre-Election Filing

Jan. 31, 2023

(6) GPCA Treasurer's Report	
JUNE	
Income	6/1-6/30/22
One-time donations-general (50)	\$ 2,435.01
One-time donations-SCSC (0)	\$ -
Recurring monthly donations (34)	\$ 362.50
Expenses	6/1-6/30/22
Call Centric	\$ 10.45
WiredTree	\$ 114.50
Treasurer's stipend	\$ 200.00
ISP	\$ 100.00
Basecamp	\$ 20.00
SCSC -State candidate support	\$ 1,035.00
PayPal fees	\$ 77.35
NationBuilder fees	\$ 11.48
OpaVote	\$ 30.00
Account Balances	6/30/22
Travis Credit Union (savings) Federal	\$ 1,607.50
Travis Credit Union (checking) State	\$ 16,479.89
PayPal	\$ 850.97

(7) Updates:

Fundraising (tee shirts)

The Communications Committee had moved several of the tee-shirts and literature.

Jill Stein Tabled until the next meeting.

NationBuilder: is dealing with access to PayPal. Exploring options?

(8) Discussion of our new Committee Structure Finance, Budget, Fundraising, and Candidate Funding

Considering the next GA is scheduled for early November. It was approved to send an immediate call for the Committees to submit their budget by September 5, 2022. email to be sent July 29, 2022.

(9) Announcements None

(10) Confirm the next meeting date: NOTE: August 18, 2022. Justin will be on vacation on the 25th.

Adjourned

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