

GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Monday, June 8, 2026, 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM via Zoom

(1) Roll call: (5 mins)

There are currently 12 CC committee members. Quorum is a simple majority of 7.

CC MEMBERS (12): Meg Buckingham, Charisse Cordero, Ann Garrison, Richard Gomez, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont, Don Manro, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis, John Schmit, Laura Wells

PRESENT (9): Meg Buckingham (7:35 pm), Richard Gomez, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont (7:35 pm), Don Manro, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis, Laura Wells

ABSENT (3): Charisse Cordero, Ann Garrison, and John Schmit.

Quorum was achieved at 7:34 pm with 7 members present.

(2) Roles (4 mins):

Roles for CC Call on June 8, 2026:

Agenda Prep: Susan Lamont

Facilitator: Shannel Pittman (Mimi to check with Shannel)

Note Taker: Mimi Newton

Time Keeper:

Vibes Watcher:

Roles for next month's CC Call on July 6, 2026:

Agenda Prep: Rohan Sabnis

Facilitator: Greg Jan

Note Taker: Mimi Newton

Time Keeper:

Vibes Watcher:

(3) Approval of Agenda (3 minutes)

(3a) LATE ITEMS:

Item 7: Endorse/oppose AB1984

Item 8: Cancellation of Proposal to Oppose AB 736 and SB 417 & Changing the Subject to "FYI" (Due to New Information Received by PPC)

Item 9: Plan an "Introduction to the CC" presentation for our next (July) CC meeting (where the MAJORITY will be "new people")

Item 10: Toward Figuring Out GPCA Discord Moderation

Item 6.a.ii.: Appointment of Mimi Newton to the GPCA Communications Committee

The agenda, with all the Late Items included, was approved by consensus.

(4) Approval of CC minutes (3 mins)

May 4, 2026 minutes were posted by Mimi Newton on May 20, Noon, subject "Draft CC Minutes from May."

Discussion: Greg noted that there was personally identifiable information requiring removal in Appendices J, K and M.

Approved by consensus on the condition that Mimi remove the personally identifiable information and forward the updated, approved minutes to Rohan for posting to the web.

(5) Consent Items (5 mins)

Background and Purpose: The consent calendar is intended to pass non-controversial items or items consented 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.

PURPLE BOLD INDICATES NOT YET RECEIVED (OR FOUND?)

Proposal: Accept the following committee reports (CC liaisons are noted) for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

- Bylaws and Rules (Mimi Newton) - **Appendix A**
- Candidates (Greg Jan) - **Appendix B**
- Communications (liaison needed) - **Appendix C**
- Finance (liaison needed, Justin Richardson, treasurer) - **Appendix D**
- Membership and Outreach (by Laura Wells) - **Appendix E**
- Policy & Platform (Don Manro) - **Appendix F**
- **General Assembly Planning (CC subcommittee) (Shannel Pittman) - (N/A) - Appendix G**
- **GP-US delegation from GPCA (Shannel Pittman) - (N/A) - Appendix H**
- **ProRep (PR) Coalition (David Cobb, non-CC member) - (N/A) - Appendix I**

The Consent Calendar was approved by consensus.

(6) UPDATES and APPOINTMENTS (5 mins)

(6.a) Committee Appointments:

i) Nassim Nouri: Communications Committee

Nassim Nouri, Santa Clara County

Gender: woman
she/her/hers

Relevant positions, experience and skills:

I'm currently fulfilling many of the communication committee's mandates; producing all graphic and content for GPCA social media posting, helping with email blasts, addressing phone and email inquiries, helping with website updates, GA planning, candidates and events promotion.

Other experience with MGP CA:

- Served three, 2-year terms on the GPCA Coordinating Committee from June 2018 - June 2024.
- Worked with the Cornell West then Jill Stein campaign 2023 - 2024
- Worked with the Butch Ware campaign 2025–2026
- Served on the GPCA Clearinghouse, IT, Communications, Membership and Outreach committees, and several working groups as appointed member and/or volunteer between 2017-present
- Legislative activities: campaigning for Public Banking, Single Payer CalCare, ProRep Coalition, Palestine liberation and anti-genocide actions, local climate resiliency initiatives.
- Relevant professional experience: corporate marketing executive in biotech and medical research, industry, leading marketing, communications, advertising, customer relations, product development and manufacturing teams.

Nassim's appointment to the Communications Committee was approved by consensus, with twinkles. Mimi will let Nassim know about her appointment.

ii) Mimi Newton: Communications Committee

Sponsor: Mimi Newton, Marin County

Background and Purpose: Last year around this time, I volunteered to help Ashley Brown by tracking CC decisions through implementation. Before briefing me on the assignment, however, Ashley stepped away from her volunteer work with GPCA and eventually dropped off the CC. In trying to follow up on what I had agreed to do, I found myself acting as a *de facto* member of the Communications Committee. I have very limited skills or experience in this arena and sometimes wonder if I should be doing the opposite of what my instincts tell me to do when it comes to promoting Green ideals. But I am happy to take instruction on Communications tasks from those for whom this is second nature. And, there is a need for humans to jump in and help one another here and that's something I do with gusto. Maybe not

much else, but oodles of gusto. I have attended a couple of the recent MOC/COMMS joint calls and have been volunteering for the Communications Committee since February of 2026.

Proposal: Approve my application to be appointed to the GPCA Communications Committee.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: None.

References: GPCA Bylaws

Article 9 - Other Committees

Section 9-1. Membership

9-1.1 Appointments: Committees consist of voting members, appointed by the Coordinating Committee to serve two-year terms, including a Coordinating Committee liaison, who serves as one of two committee Coordinators. The other committee Coordinator is elected by the committee members, and shall take office upon confirmation by the General Assembly.

9-1.2 Eligibility: To be eligible for appointment, an individual must:

- (a) Provide evidence of being registered with GPCA or attests they would be registered, but are ineligible under federal or state law.
- (b) Attend Committee meetings and serve as a volunteer for the Committee prior to being appointed.
- (c) Demonstrate a working knowledge of the Committee's work.

9-1.3 Eligible individuals may submit an application in writing to the Coordinating Committee stating their interest, qualifications, and evidence of registration with the GPCA.

Section 9-7. Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is charged with facilitating all GPCA external communications such as broadcast, media, press, social media and inquiries, including working to:

9-7.1 Develop and distribute communication and materials including media releases, social media posts, webpages, flyers, branding and graphics to publicize official GPCA positions, successes, endorsements, GPCA officeholders and appointed officials, and other newsworthy events about GPCA growth and development.

9-7.2 Respond to all external inquiries to GPCA and when necessary, refer inquiries to appropriate Committees or individuals.

9-7.3 Manage GPCA merchandising and collateral, including budgeting, ordering, storage and shipping;

9-7.4 Oversee the GPCA website content and ensure its accuracy.

9-7.5 Coordinate Party press conferences, and respond to press inquiries.

9-7.6 Support and assist County Green organizations in their media work.

9-7.7 Appoint GPCA spokespersons. Spokespersons are not required to be appointed members of this Committee.

9-7.8 Designate and train Committee members or volunteers to post to social media and manage platform permissions.

9-7.9 Administer, manage, and maintain GPCA websites, databases, and online assets.

9-7.10 Manage permissions and access to GPCA online tools and assets and provide training and support according to approved GPCA policies and procedures.

Mimi reviewed her many GPCA hats. Her appointment to the Communications Committee was approved by consensus.

(6.b) 48- or 72-Hour Online CC Vote(s) and Results:

(6.b1) ONLINE 48 HOUR VOTE: Proposal for the Coordinating Committee to approve the GPCA's endorsement of AB 1790, which will repeal the "Water's Edge" Tax Exemption.

Online vote:

Started Wednesday, 5/6, 9:20 pm

Ended Friday, 5/8, 9:20 pm

Proposal: That the CC approve the GPCA's endorsement of AB 1790, which will repeal the "Water's Edge" Tax Exemption.

Full text in Appendix J

Sponsor: Mimi Newton,

Contact: [REDACTED]

CC members participated in the 48-hour online vote as follows:

Yes Votes: (8) Charisse Cordero, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont, Don Manro, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, John Schmit and Laura Wells.

No Votes: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

Not Participating: (4) Meg Buckingham, Ann Garrison, Richard Gomez, and Rohan Sabnis.

(6.b2) ONLINE 48 HOUR VOTE: Proposal for the Coordinating Committee to add to the upcoming SGA the Endorsement of the California Billionaire Tax

Online vote:

Started Wednesday, 5/13, 5:50 pm

Ended Friday, 5/15, 5:50 pm

Proposal: That the CC adds to the upcoming SGA the proposal to endorse the California Billionaire Tax

Full text in Appendix K

Sponsors: Greg Jan, Mimi Newton

Contact: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

8 CC members participated in the 48-hour online vote as follows:

Yes Votes: (8) Meg Buckingham, Charisse Cordero, Greg Jan, Susan Lamont, Mimi Newton, Shannel Pittman, Rohan Sabnis and Laura Wells.

No Votes: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

Not Participating: (4) Ann Garrison, Richard Gomez, Don Manro and John Schmit.

(6.c) Strategic Plan Calendar review

https://assets.nationbuilder.com/cagreens/pages/1695/attachments/original/1734218419/GPC_AWorkPlan2024-2026.pdf?1734218419

Additional link:

[https://assets.nationbuilder.com/cagreens/pages/1967/attachments/original/1760228959/2026_2027_Two-Year_Strategic_Plan_\(1\).pdf?1760228959](https://assets.nationbuilder.com/cagreens/pages/1967/attachments/original/1760228959/2026_2027_Two-Year_Strategic_Plan_(1).pdf?1760228959)

The strategic plan calendar was reviewed. There is a June 30 deadline for counties to transmit the names of their delegates for July 2026 through June 2027. Susan Lamont agreed to communicate with Tarik about getting the numbers for each county delegation based on the SOS's current registration numbers. Greg Jan will locate the previous reminder message we sent to Active Counties. Susan will update the numbers from the previous message with the updated numbers she obtains from Tarik and will send the message to Laura Wells for sending to the Active Counties.

(6.d) Action Item(s) Update & Announcements (10 minutes):

AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED TO THE CC

None

LATE AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED TO THE CC

(7) Subject/Title: Endorse/oppose AB1984

Co-sponsors: GPCA POLICY AND PLATFORM COMMITTEE/Don Manro

Background and Purpose: AB1984 (Assemblyperson Chris Rogers) (Ref 1)

Sponsors (13): Ash Kalra (D)*, Chris Rogers (D)*, Dawn Addis (D), Damon Connolly (D), Sade Elhawary (D), Robert Garcia (D), John Harabedian (D), Corey Jackson (D), Alex Lee (D), Mike McGuire (D), Jerry McNerney (D), Sasha Perez (D), Pilar Schiavo (D),

AB 1984 seeks to address the grievous impacts that unfettered corporate spending has had on California's democratic process. This bill would rewrite the powers granted to corporations in the corporate code to explicitly state that corporations that operate in the state of California do not have the power to spend money in elections. AB 1984 is designed to end the disastrous legacy the Citizens United ruling of 2010 by the U.S. Supreme Court (deregulating money that does not go directly to a candidate or party) has had on elections in California since it assumed this spending would be transparent and independent. More than 15 years later, just under 80% of Americans agree that large independent expenditures by wealthy donors and corporations in elections give rise to corruption or the appearance of corruption. This cuts across all political parties, with 84% of Democrats, 74% of Republicans, and 79% of independents believing this to be the case.

Lower courts applying the Citizens United ruling extended it to invalidate almost all fundraising and spending restrictions for groups that purport to be separate from candidates. This allowed for the rise of unregulated "dark money" groups that can accumulate and spend limitless funds to influence our elections, all without disclosing who is footing the bill. Over 80 percent of the total amount spent by billionaires during the 2024 election cycle was spent through channels that were prohibited prior to Citizens United, while overall billionaire spending in elections has multiplied by a factor of 163 since the ruling.

AB 1984 builds off the work being done in Montana (Ref 2) and Hawaii (Ref 3) to directly address the unlimited spending of corporations by restricting them from all spending on elections. Corporations are a function of law and they do not exist without the explicit approval of the government. Additionally, the government has the authority to grant them specific powers. This bill is a simple majority bill and, while its passage will not overturn Citizens United, it will have a sizable impact on returning electoral power to the average citizen but particularly California citizens.

Proposal: Enthusiastic support since it alters the California Corporate code and is thus shielded from the U.S. Supreme Court overturn and complements our support of public funding for elections.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: Urgent CC decision

References:

1. <https://legiscan.com/CA/text/AB1984/id/3362882>;

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billStatusClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1984;

1. <https://dailymontanan.com/2026/03/11/montana-plan-to-prohibit-corporate-spending-in-politics-green-lit-for-signature-gathering/1>
2. <https://www.aol.com/news/novel-approach-curtailing-money-politics-090527507.html>

Mimi inquired about implementation. She made suggestions about uploading GPCA endorsements to the State's legislative portal and funneling Greens' ideas about policy and platform issues through Don to the Policy and Platform Committee. Mimi and Don agreed to coordinate on issuing an email about the endorsement and coordinating with COMMS on other social media and Mimi agreed to reach out to Woody Hastings about the legislative portal.

Approved by consensus.

(8): Subject/Title: Oppose/Endorse AB 736/SB 417

[CC] Late CC agenda item: Cancellation of Proposal to Oppose AB 736 and SB 417; Changing the Subject to "FYI" (Due to New Information Received by PPC)

Subject: For Your Information regarding Item (8) on the June 8 CC agenda: Subject/Title: OPPOSE/ENDORSE AB 736/SB 417

Background: The original proposal put before the CC by the Policy and Platform Committee (which appears on the June 8 agenda) is to oppose/endorse the above bills.

Reference: New information to consider re AB 736/SB 417 from Greg Jan dated June 2 at 7:44 PM in the form of a post to the CC email list with the subject: [CC] "No position", please!, RE: Late CC agenda item: Proposal to Oppose AB 736 and SB 417. However, "... the vast majority of progressively-oriented organizations which have taken positions on [the bills] ENDORSE it!"

Procedural Deliberations: Consequently, the PPC has redrafted its criticisms of the bills. (See below "Draft GPCA 'No position' on AB-736/SB-417 (The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026).")

When drafted, it was intended to be used to make a revised proposal to take a vote of "No position" on the bills. Greg suggested that a formal public position on the bills is unnecessary.

PPC agreed that the revised draft could be used in the form of an FYI to the CC to constitute a rationale for taking no formal position on the bills. Thus, the CC is not being asked to vote on either the original or revised draft proposals. The revised criticisms which constitute the FYI is contained in the following paragraphs:

Draft GPCA "No position" on AB-736/SB-417 (The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026)

While the Green Party likes some provisions of The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026 (AB-736/SB-417) which directly support some social housing much of the measure is very problematic and as a result the Green Party of California cannot take a position of support for the measure.

1) Less than 10% of the funds allocated are specifically directed to extremely low-income households, when the need is much greater, especially when we consider the over 180,000 homeless people in California.

2) A vast amount of the funds simply support individuals and households financially so that they can afford to pay currently egregiously high home mortgages or rents to private banks, investors

and landlords. This policy perpetuates the affordability and equity crisis in housing by enabling private owners to continue to jack up housing prices into the stratosphere with no end in sight.

3) Most of the funds are a cash cow to private developers, giving them cost cuts to enable them to build yet more housing - this when California already has 1 million vacant housing units (a 9% vacancy rate). We don't need to engage in the greenhouse gas intensive practice of cutting down trees and pouring cement to build more housing. There is plenty of housing, it is just priced too high. Instead of building more housing we need to shift existing overpriced housing out of the hands of private banks, investors and landlords into becoming not-for-profit land trusts and co-op housing, as well as social housing built and provided by state and local governments (as is done extensively in many European nations).

4) A true housing justice policy and fund would establish housing as a right and institute much stronger rent control in California (including rent control on vacant units) with the funds used to establish a California state public bank and local public banks all over the state to leverage continuous funding that is 100% spent on social, land trust and not-for-profit co-op housing that is truly affordable to all Californians. There should also be high taxes on keeping housing units vacant and on trading housing as a speculative investment asset in order to lower housing prices and to drive private banks and investors to get out of the housing business.

The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026 keeps private banks, investors and landlords in control of housing and therefore does very little to solve the root cause of the problem.

A discussion ensued. No action was taken.

(9) Subject/Title: Plan an "Introduction to the CC" presentation for our next (July) CC meeting (where the MAJORITY will be "new people")

Sponsor: Greg Jan

Background & Purpose: Well, there's some pretty "exciting news" here! Which is that, as I'm guessing all of you know, the "annual SGA elections" will soon be held (this time for 19 CC seats), starting about a week from now, from June 15 to 21. And even if all 6 of the CC candidates who've previously served on the CC do get re-elected, that still means that at least a majority (13 out of 24) of the CC seats will then be filled by *Greens who've never before served on the CC!* So therefore, it's probably a good idea for us to present a fairly well-organized "Introduction to the CC" -- in order to help us get all of these new CC members "up to speed" as quickly as is possible -- and of course, to also assist them in getting active in helping out with the CC's business, right?

So, along these lines, I can think of 3 main "topic areas" to present in such an Introduction -- namely: 1) The GPCA's structure and the role of the CC within it; 2) The specific needs of our various other Standing Committees; and 3) Specific CC needs (including our 3 "internal CC sub-committees").

As to #1 (about the GPCA's structure and the CC's role within it), I think we ought to start out with the role of the local county groups (that is, the County Councils), which appoint their GA/SGA delegates, who in turn, elect the CC members (and also the GPUS delegation, as well as confirm our Treasurer and our Liaison to the Secretary of State). And then also explain about our other Standing Committees, the work that they do, and the process for joining them, etc. And I guess we can also mention about our annual budget and about election endorsements (for both candidates and propositions).

Then for #2 (about the needs of our other Standing Committees), I think we ought to go through each of them one-by-one, and briefly mention what each committee does, and the extent to which we need people to help out with each one. (And perhaps one of the committee co-coordinators or our liaison, for each of the committees, could briefly make these presentations, since they would have the most info about these committees?). And after all of the presentations are finished, perhaps we could then *ask for volunteers for the Committees?! (Which hopefully might then get a "significant increase" in volunteers for most of our committees?!).*

And finally, for #3 (about the CC's own needs), I guess we can mention that a lot of our work does get done through our 3 "sub-committees" (on agenda preparation, facilitation, and note-taking). And perhaps one person from each of those sub-committees could explain about the work that their sub-committee does? And then, after the 3 presentations, we could then also ask for volunteers for each of the sub-committees?

So that's what I'm thinking about, as far as "getting the new CC members involved" in the CC's work (and also in the work our other standing committees, where we so urgently need more people to help out)! However -- before we do get into the "nitty-gritty of the work", perhaps we first ought to ask for all CC members (whether "new or old") to very briefly introduce themselves, since most CC members will not know approximately half (or even more) of the other members?

Of course, this is just one way we could do an "Introduction", for our new members -- but however you think we might do this, I think we ought to at least discuss this on Monday, eh? Therefore:

Proposal: Plan an "Introduction to the CC" presentation for our upcoming early July CC meeting. This could either be along the lines of what's in the "Background & Purpose" section above, or it could be via a different idea. That is, whatever people think might work best, to get all of the "new people" up-to-speed, and active with our work! (Also, if there isn't enough time to adequately plan this at Monday's CC meeting, then we could always create an "ad-hoc subcommittee" to work out the details over the coming 3 weeks?).

Implementation/Timing/Resources: As we discuss this, we should pay close attention to who is going to volunteer to present the different parts of this item. (So that's an argument for trying to get through this item on Monday, and especially if we do (more or less) follow the above suggestions).

References: Here is the link to the listing of this year's CC candidates, along with their applications (which includes biographical info): https://int-cagreens.nationbuilder.com/sga_id_262 (Note: There are 20 candidates for 19 seats. Six of the 20 candidates have previously served on the CC, while 14 of them have not).

A discussion ensued. Mimi suggested a CC implementation team to keep track of all CC commitments, dates and deadlines. The CC members agreed to provide a GPCA Organizational Chart, links to Rules and Bylaws, Committee obligations, etc. At the July meeting, we will have quick introductions and list the types of volunteer needs we have starting with “red hot urgent,” to “critical and pressing,” and “strong need for.”

We should enlist two liaisons to each of the Committees, but new folks may not know what Committee would work best for their skills and interest yet.

Every CC member should be a part of one of the CC groups: Agenda Prep; Facilitation; Note Taking; and CC Project Tracking (or Implementation?).

Approved by Consensus.

(10) Subject/Title: Toward Figuring Out GPCA Discord Moderation (10 minutes)

Sponsor: Shannel Pittman, Los Angeles County

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE: The GPCA Discord was created by someone who is no longer a Green and previously managed by people no longer Greens. Currently the Discord remains unmoderated and messy and it is not as effective for organizing or communicating as it could be because of that. We need to get this problem under control. A GPCA Discord Account exist and is Server owner, we need to figure out who has access to that account so that we can give a couple of more CC members access so that they might select GPCA Discord Server moderators and begin to moderate and clean up the Discord so that it is actually useful to GPCA.

PROPOSAL: Discuss a plan to figure out the mysteries of who is moderating the GPCA Discord Server (10 Minutes)

IMPLEMENTATION / TIMELINE / RESOURCES: Shannel Pittman will track down the person with access to the GPCA Discord account and get the password for the CC so that we can appoint some Discord moderators at the next CC meeting.

A discussion ensued. Mimi agreed to try to access discord to see if she had moderation status. Meg will also assist Shannel.

Approved by consensus.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Bylaws and Rules Committee Report May 2026

Submitted by: Mimi Newton, Co-Co Bylaws and Rules Committee

Date of the last Bylaws and Rules Committee Meeting:
Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 12:30 pm pacific.

Absent: Mimi Newton, James Lauderdale

Date of the next Bylaws and Rules Committee Meeting:
Sunday, June 14, 2026 at 12:30 pm pacific.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

The Committee communicated via email regarding the proposed Bylaws Amendment that is currently under discussion by the SGA. (SGA Voting will begin on the item after midnight on the date of our next BLRC Meeting, June 14.) The BLRC did not reach consensus about the necessity of the proposed Bylaws Amendments in order for the CC to be authorized to take action to approve other active organizations in situations where elected County Councils fail to remain "active" in accordance with GPCA Bylaws. However, Mimi, with some input from other long-time Greens, pushed to have the Bylaws at least clarified as to this point by the Standing General Assembly.

APPENDIX B

Candidates Committee meeting minutes

(From Greg Jan)

For our May 16 meeting, I did send out a "reminder notice", and we again had decent attendance (but again, I don't remember exactly who was there). But by that point, we had learned that Vic Hernandez, who is running for State Assembly in Orange County, was the one and only candidate to have filed for that seat besides the incumbent, so it seemed fairly certain that he was going to be going forward to November, barring some sort of huge write-in campaign. (Which in fact never happened, so Vic will definitely be on the November ballot!). However, again, I'm not sure what other candidate campaigns we talked about, but of course, that's now largely moot, as the election has now been over for about a week. (FYI, the names and offices for all of our candidates, along with the current election results for them, are on our website, here: https://cagreens.org/elections/greens_june_2026).

APPENDIX C >> SEE APPENDIX E FOR COMBINED REPORT

Communications Committee Meeting Agenda/Minutes

See Membership & Outreach report (Appendix E) for combined meeting notes.

APPENDIX D

GPCA Finance Committee

MINUTES

Meeting time: Thursday, 5/26/2026 at 8:00pm

(1) ROLL CALL: Mimi Newton, John Schmit, Paul Maldonato, Justin Richardson

(2) Roles: Facilitator: Justin Richardson **Note Taker:** Justin Richardson Vibes
Watcher: Mimi Newton

(3) Approval of the Agenda – Adjusted and approved by consensus.

(4) Review 2026 [filing schedules](#) and deadlines from FPPC for when we need to file the next report

The next report is due July 31, 2026 for close of books 6/30/26. The exception is if we have transactions over \$1,000 in connection with the June 2 primary election.

(5) Monthly Treasurer's Report

APRIL

04/01-04/30/26	Income
\$3,556.00	One-time donations (6)
\$795.11	Recurring monthly donations (53)
04/01-04/30/26	Expenses
\$10.45	Call Centric (Phone)
\$60.00	Electric Embers (Email)
\$225.71	WiredTree/Liquid Web (Website)
-	Gandi (Website)
\$38.50	Next (Insurance)
\$60.00	ISP (Finance Software)
\$300.00	Treasurer's Stipend
\$19.22	PayPal Transaction Fees
\$129.31	NationBuilder Transaction Fees
\$1,083.77	Creative Printing
\$33.25	USPS
\$115.35	Merch shipping reimbursement (USPS)
4/30/26	Account Balances

\$101.61	PayPal
\$1,108.27	Mechanics Bank (savings) Federal
\$15,092.81	Mechanics Bank (checking) State

(6) Fundraising Report

As we know from the state of our democracy, the Green Party is needed more than ever. Fortunately, as you can see from Treasurer Justin's reports, donors are stepping up. Thanks to some major donors, one-time donations for April through May 2026 are way up from the same time a year ago. And, although sustaining donations are not yet at the \$1000+ a month that we're aiming for, we've had a 50% increase in the number of individual sustainers compared to a year ago, and their average monthly donation is up from \$11 to \$15. We still need your help, Here's the link, and to make it a sustaining donation click the "Monthly" button:
<https://cagreens.nationbuilder.com/donate>.

(7) Announcements, New/Old Business, Updates, *Action Items*

- Discussion for next month: Review Shane's fundraising email. **Justin** to inform Shane that we received it.
- Action: **Justin** to inform Candidates Committee of Federal funds available, reaction to Shane's email
- Recent donors / thank you letter /card
- Adam McKay promotion – **Mimi** to add McKay to GA reminder email
- June GA budget/treasurer agenda item
- Shannel/Mimi fundraising at the GA
- Confirm 2025 actuals, **Justin** to send PDF to Mimi

(8) Confirm next meeting (typically 4th Tuesdays): 6/23/26 at 8pm

APPENDIX E

Membership and Outreach/ Communications Committee

NOTES for Communications / Membership & Outreach Committees

DATE: May 13, 2026, Wednesday, 7:30pm

(report for the 6/8/26 Coordinating Committee meeting)

NOTES:

This is a very abbreviated report, since committee notes took a back seat to the rush of election and General Assembly activities. Half a dozen people attended on May 13 and discussed the elections, GAs and other items. This report is being sent to ensure that people can find out about the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: June 10, 2026, 2nd Wednesday, 7:30pm

APPENDIX F

GPCA POLICY AND PLATFORM ZOOM MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY May 28, 2026 7-8PM

Present: Eric Brooks (San Francisco); Elisabeth Green (Los Angeles); Peggy Koteen (San Luis Obispo); Shane Que Hee (Los Angeles)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Ware campaign is now write-in

PAST MEETING BUSINESS:

CalCare had been pulled already so our reiterated support was unnecessary

PLATFORMS

The Joe Leadem comments on the Initiatives, Referenda, Recall plank were discussed and it was decided to await the comments on the SGA, Shane would send a reply.

POLICY

AB 736/ SB 417 was consensed to be opposed since it would only really help developers with about 10% of the funds were to be directed to the homeless situation

AB 1984 was consensed to be endorsed. The refs to the Montana and Hawaii bills were to be added

Don was to lead the discussion on these bills at the next CC meeting of June 8.

Next Meeting: Thurs June 25 7-8pm

APPENDIX G

General Assembly Planning (CC subcommittee)

APPENDIX H

GP-US delegation from GPCA

APPENDIX I

Proportional Representation Coalition (ProRep) update (meets quarterly)

APPENDIX J

RE: Item (6.b) 48-hour online vote

ONLINE 48 HOUR VOTE: Proposal for the Coordinating Committee to approve the GPCA's endorsement of AB 1790, which will repeal the "Water's Edge" Tax Exemption.

Online vote:

Started Wednesday, 5/6, 9:20 pm

Ended Friday, 5/8, 9:20 pm

Proposal: That the CC approve the GPCA's endorsement of AB 1790, which will repeal the "Water's Edge" Tax Exemption.

Sponsor: Mimi Newton,

Contact: [REDACTED]

Implementation/requirements/timelines

The Communications Team will include the endorsement in an email blast and potentially other social media. Mimi will contact Woody Hastings at the Climate Center to notify him of our endorsement.

Background and Purpose:

AB 1790 will repeal the Water's Edge Tax Election. What the heck is that?

California was rigged in the 1980s to allow multinational corporations, including fossil fuel multinationals, who do business and earn profits in California, to avoid paying California taxes on their profits. A January 2025 [Policy Brief](#) from [The Climate Center](#), which helped originate the bill, lays it all out. The fossil fuel companies alone avoid paying about \$150 million/year. The total avoided tax of all multinationals that should be in the CA budget adds up to \$3 to \$4 billion per year. AB 1790 is part of a larger campaign targeting all these multinationals called [UnRig California](#). Check it out.

The committee [bill analysis](#) was generally favorable to the Climate Center's position. It included an analogy by a professor to help explain how the Water's Edge election works. Here it is:

To help conceptualize this practice, Professor Shanske provides the following example:

A big widget company sells 1 million widgets in California. The company's profit margin is \$100 per widget and so it should pay tax in California on \$100 [million] in profits. However, the

company incorporates a subsidiary in a low-tax jurisdiction, say Ireland, and places its valuable intellectual property in that jurisdiction. The foreign subsidiary charges the US-based company a high licensing rate for use of its intellectual property, say \$90 per widget. Because of this new expense, which amounts to one hand paying the other, the US-based Widget corporation reports \$10 million in profits in the United States.

Advocates point to estimates showing that such income shifting activities result in \$300 billion in profits being removed from the United States tax base annually. In reference to Professor Shanske's example noted above, if California were to move to mandatory worldwide combined reporting, the profits of the Irish subsidiary would be combined with the domestic parent corporation, and no income would be lost.

APPENDIX K

ONLINE 48 HOUR VOTE: Proposal for the Coordinating Committee to add to the upcoming SGA the Endorsement of the California Billionaire Tax

Online vote:

Started Wednesday, 5/13, 5:50 pm

Ended Friday, 5/15, 5:50 pm

Proposal: That the CC adds to the upcoming SGA the proposal to endorse the California Billionaire Tax

Sponsors: Greg Jan, Mimi Newton

Contact: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Implementation/requirements/timelines: Upon approval, Greg will edit for formatting and then forward the (draft) SGA item to those who are working on putting on the upcoming SGA vote, which needs to begin at 12:01 am on Monday morning

References: The draft SGA item below, "Endorse the California Billionaire Tax Act" and our bylaws (in sections 7-2.3 (d) and 7-6.1, here: https://www.cagreens.org/bylaws-green-party-california#Section_7-2_Proposals), which require for ballot measures to be endorsed by either the GA or the SGA (and our GA agenda has already been approved and published, hence this item, if approved by the CC, will be put before the SGA).

Subject: Endorse the California Billionaire Tax Act

Background and Purpose: We have received a request from the campaign to pass the California Billionaire Tax Act, which would enact a one-time 5 percent tax on California billionaires, in order to replenish the cuts that President Trump has made to healthcare (and also to education and the SNAP program). More info is in the message from the campaign which David Cobb forwarded to us that is copied below, including a link to the campaign's website.

Proposal: That the GPCA endorses the California Billionaire Tax Act, as described above.

References: The policy summary accompanying the request for endorsement which was forwarded by David Cobb on May 12, copied below:

Policy Summary

- At a high level, this is a one-time, emergency tax on California's ~200 billionaires who have ~\$2.2T in wealth
- It will raise ~\$100B to backfill Trump's cuts to healthcare, education and SNAP
- It's a 5% wealth tax, payable over 5 years. So, essentially 1% per year for 5 years
- And, being on the ballot, it will empower the people to vote directly for it

Additional Background

- [Here is](#) the website
- Bernie Sanders endorsed it. See his reasons [here](#)
- [Billionaire Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang](#) supports it as well

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