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Coordinating Committee Minutes, March 4, 2019

Coordinating Committee Meeting

Monday March 4, 2019 7:30 to 9:30pm

(01) Roll call (2 min)

There are currently 22 committee members so quorum is a simple majority of 12.

Quorum was reached at 7:38 with 14 of 22 present

Present (16): Victoria Ashley, Carol Bouldin, June Brashares, Mica Daniel, Emmanuel Estrada, Sanda Everette, Sadie Fulton, Josh Jones, James Lauderdale (joined at 7:55pm), Ann Menasche, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Shannel Pittman, Erik Rydberg (joined at 7:39pm), Adam Siegel, Laura Wells

Absent (6): Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, Eric Brooks, Tarik Kanaana, Lauren Mauricio, Colt Gonzales

(02) Roles (2 min)

Facilitator – Mica Daniel

Note Taker – June Brashares

Time Keeper – Josh Jones

Vibes Watcher – Carol Bouldin

(03) Approval of Agenda (2 min)

Proposal: Approve the Agenda

(Draft #3 posted to CC listserv on March 4, 2019 at 12:09pm)

June proposed adding a late item, a Decision Item regarding the email SOS Liaison Jared Laiti sent to the CC on March 2nd at 5:20am about the Green Party's statement in the New Citizen's Guide.

Proposal is to add the Decision Item about the New Citizen's Guide as item #9, and the Decision Item about the CACE Petition (previously #9) is to be #10.

Agenda (draft #3) with addition/revision for items #9 & #10

Approved by consensus

(04) Decision: Approval of prior months Minutes (4 min)

Proposal: Approve Draft #2 minutes of February 4, 2019 CC meeting as posted March 2 @ 7:43 pm by Nassim Nouri.

Approved by consensus

(05) Consent Items (2 min)

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.

Proposal: Accept the following committee reports for inclusion into the meeting minutes

Committee Reports:

GPCA Clearinghouse Appendix A

GROW Appendix B

GPCA Finance Comm. Appendix C

GPCA Bylaws Comm. Appendix D

Approved by consensus

(06) Decision item: SGA ID # 176 – email from Jess Moorman via SGA list on Feb 18 (5 min)

From: Jess Moorman via SGA

Date: Mon, Feb 18, 2019 at 12:33 PM

Subject: Re: [GPCA-SGA-Votes] Discussion has begun (For the GPCA Marc

To: GPCA-SGA-Vote discussion

Cc: Jess Moorman

I call for a friendly amendment.

The bylaws proposition should be that GPCA have equality in two gender classifications, female and free-for-all.

Under the substantive change proposed by the CC, it would be misleading for GPCA to continue to call the second sex "male," where gender is completely irrelevant.

I see that much of the discussion here is simply mistaken in trying to understand gender issues, except as they might define eligibility for the female list. BTW, has "female" been defined?

Jess

San Bernardino County

CC Members expressed concerns. June, Josh and Sadie had Blocking Concerns so Jess' proposed amendment to have two gender classifications "female and free-for-all" was brought to a vote.

Voted on by 16 members:

Voting "No" were (16): Victoria Ashley, Carol Bouldin, June Brashares, Maxine Daniel, Emmanuel Estrada, Sanda Everette, Sadie Fulton, Josh Jones, James Lauderdale, Ann Menasche, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Shannel Pittman, Erik Rydberg, Adam Siegel, Laura Wells

Proposal failed with 16 No, 0 Yes

(07) Decision Item: SGA ID # 176 – email from Jess Moorman via SGA list on Feb 22 (5 min)

From: Jess Moorman via SGA

Date: Fri, Feb 22, 2019 at 7:33 AM

Subject: Re: [GPCA-SGA-Votes] SGA Vote Discussion AFFIRMATIVE ACTION - March 2019 ID 176-178

To: GPCA-SGA-Vote discussion

Cc: Jess Moorman

AMENDMENT REQUEST:

Let this bylaw be a temporary change - 4 years? - and the bylaws revert to the current status, allowing a fresh debate and decision, based on our experience.

It is possible that his proposal might be a mistake. It is radical and unprecedented. We don't know how it will work, nor how it might be corrected. If it is adopted, it should be in a way that the decision can be changed.

Changing the proposal, once adopted, will be very difficult. Once there is a vested interest in disenfranchising men, it may take 10,000 years of struggle by an oppressed gender to change it.

Jess

San Bernardino County

Nassim, Mimi, Sadie and others expressed concerns about Jess' proposed amendment. Blocking Concerns had been expressed so Jess' proposed amendment for "a temporary change" was brought to a vote.

Voted on by 16 members:

Voting "No" were (15): Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Maxine Daniel, Emmanuel Estrada, Sanda Everette, Sadie Fulton, Josh Jones, James

Lauderdale, Ann Menasche, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Shannel Pittman, Erik Rydberg, Adam Siegel, Laura Wells
Voting "Abstain" was (1): Carol Bouldin

Proposal failed with 15 No, 1 Abstain, 0 Yes

(08) Decision Item: SGA Discussion #177 – email from Peggy Koteen via SGA list on Feb 19 (5 min)

From: pkoteen via SGA

Date: Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 9:48 AM

Subject: Re: [GPCA-SGA-Votes] Discussion thread for ID# 177 (For the GPCA March 2019 SGA) (Open Ballot)

To: GPCA-SGA-Vote discussion

Cc: pkoteen Nicole Raglin

I didn't suggest voting every time there is a vacancy, but when there are 3.

I'm putting it out as a friendly amendment.

I think Nassim made the argument for me that we should not wait until there are five vacancies because that likely will not happen within a year's time and then we would just have the regular scheduled election. Well if that's the case then you might as well say until there are eight vacancies or 12. What I'm suggesting is that if there are three vacancies it would make sense to have an election since so many, at least of the national delegates (and of course I realize that the gpca is dif from ca delegation) I hear from are insistent upon having people allowed to work on committees who want to work.

Peggy Koteen

Sanda and Carol spoke in affirmation of Peggy's suggested amendment.

Nassim, Mimi, Laura, James, Erik and Mica spoke in support of the proposal without Peggy's amendment. They had Blocking Concerns about Peggy's proposed amendment so Peggy's proposal was brought to a vote.

Voted on by 16 members:

Voting "Yes" were (2): Carol Bouldin, Sanda Everette

Voting "No" were (14): Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Maxine Daniel, Emmanuel Estrada, Sanda Everette, Sadie Fulton, Josh Jones, James Lauderdale, Ann Menasche, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Shannel Pittman, Erik Rydberg, Adam Siegel, Laura Wells

Proposal failed with 14 No, 2 Yes

Late Item:

(09) Decision Item: Green Party's statement in the New Citizen's Guide

From: Jared Laiti

Date: Sat, Mar 2, 2019 at 5:20 PM

Subject: [gpca-cc] Fwd: New Citizen's Guide: Political Party Statements

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Fields, Carly

Date: Sat, Mar 2, 2019 at 5:16 PM

Subject: New Citizen's Guide: Political Party Statements

To: liaison@cagreens.org

Cc: Fields, Carly

Good afternoon,

My name is Carly, and I work at the Secretary of State's Office in the Elections Division. I am newly in charge of working with the political parties in California. I am reaching out today regarding the Secretary of State's publication, "A New Citizen's Guide to Voting," which is attached to this message. Within this publication, we print statements provided by California's qualified political parties (see page 3). Please review your party's statement; if you feel that any changes are necessary, please make them and provide our office with your new statement by Wednesday, March 20, 2019.

Even if you do not make changes, please respond to this email and confirm that the previous statement provided is sufficient by March 20, 2019.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Carly

Carly Fields

Desk: (916) 695-1576, C&E Help Desk: (916) 653-9154

Candidate Filing and Election Night Reporting,

California Secretary of State (Elections Division)

The current Green Party statement that appears in the publication "A New Citizen's Guide to Voting" is:

GREEN PARTY

You are invited to join the Greens. In California and internationally, the Green Party works for living wage jobs, healthcare for all, tuition-free education, and a just immigration policy. We take no corporate money, so we stay on the side of people, peace, and planet. Welcome! See:

www.cagreens.org

Laura Wells made a *proposal* for a CC subcommittee to be formed to draft a revised statement.

Laura, Nassim, Sadie, Shannel and Josh volunteered to be on the subcommittee.

The proposal is for the CC subcommittee to send their new version of the statement to the CC by March 11th. After being posted to the CC email list for 4 days, if no CC member has concerns about the new version by March 15th the subcommittee is empowered to send the new statement to Jared Laiti to submit to the SOS Office. If any CC members have outstanding concerns, and are unwilling to stand aside, then the new version of the statement would need to go to a CC vote to achieve approval using a "48 Hour Online Vote".

Timeline: The new statement should be sent to Jared by March 18 so Jared can submit it to the SOS before the March 20th deadline. March 16-17 is blocked out in case a "48 Hour Online Vote" is needed. Therefore, the deadline for CC members' to not have any outstanding concerns is by March 15th, after having about 4 days (March 11-15) to consider the proposed new statement and get concerns resolved.

Approved by consensus

(10) (was # 9, changed to #10) Decision item: Proposal for the GPCA to sign on to the California Alliance for Community Energy petition (10 minutes)

Submitted by Laura Wells

The proposal is for the GPCA to sign on to the California Alliance for Community Energy petition to go to the California state legislature. Petition text is in email from Laura Wells sent to the CC listserve on March 4th at 8:19pm, and can be seen at:

<https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/roll-back-the-cpuc-attack-on-our-com...>

Background:

From: "Ryan O'connor"

Date: March 1, 2019 at 3:45:32 PM PST

To: lwells@cagreens.org

Subject: Sign the Petition- Roll Back the CPUC Attack!

Hi Laura,

I want to bring to your attention a new campaign just launched by the California Alliance for Community Energy:

Roll Back the CPUC Attack on Our Communities.

The attack by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), is the agency's protection and bailout of the state's monopoly utilities (PG&E in particular) against the best interests of our communities. These utilities have opposed measures to stem climate change, have failed to make public safety a priority, and have over-charged California ratepayers for years.

The Roll Back the Attack Campaign calls on the CPUC to suspend recent dramatic fee hikes, and for Governor Newsom to appoint CPUC Commissioners who prioritize community interests.

We hope Green Party CA is aligned with the Campaign's effort to put pressure on state legislators to oppose the CPUC's attack on all electricity ratepayers--and on Community Choice energy programs, in particular.

I'm asking that Green Party CA support this campaign by signing on to a petition to the California legislature and by asking your members to write letters (through an automated process) to their respective legislators through our online campaign site.

Thank you for taking the time to consider joining this campaign and please contact me with any questions.

Ryan

Ryan O'Connor

Campaign Organizer

California Alliance for Community Energy

ryan@caomunityenergy.org | 916-595-8491

Approved by consensus

James affirmed GPCA signing on to the petition and added he would like GPCA to do even more. James offered to review the GPCA energy platform plank and draft comments relevant to current events for a proposal for a public statement and he will also draft suggestions for changes to the platform. During the call at 8:44pm, Nassim posted to CC listserve the GPCA energy platform plank.

June suggested that when the draft proposal for a public statement is ready it should be sent to the Media Committee and suggested changes for the platform should be sent to the Platform Committee.

Agenda items were completed at 8:46pm

Mica announced that items to be proposed to be put on the Agenda for the upcoming General Assembly need to be submitted by March 11th.
Email to: agenda-team@cagreens.org

Sadie spoke about the upcoming National Meeting and the need for people to join GP-US Committees. Josh added to recruit people from other states to GP-US Committees. Shannel added affirmation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:56pm

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Appendices:

Appendix A GPCA Clearinghouse

Clearinghouse Committee Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, Feb. 5th 3 - 4:30 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday Mar 5th, 3 - 4:30pm

Members: Mica D. (SJ), Jewel K. (VC), Nassim N. (SC), Brian G. (SC)

Members Present: Mica, Nassim, Brian, quorum at 3:05

Members Absent: Jewel

Assign roles: Facilitator: Mica, Notes: Nassim, Time keeper: Brian

Information/discussion/Decision

1. Agenda: approve or amend. (IdD) (All - 5 min) Approved

2. Approve or amend last month's meeting minutes (IdD) (All - 5 min) Approved, add the list of recent action items to these notes to review.

3. Communication Plan update - Newsletter - Brian will step back as lead for newsletter content coordinator but might help in the future produce content and do research on non-controversial issues and for literature library. Nassim will take over again. Mica to take on being general content coordinator, will work with Nassim on that.

- Side discussion: Mica asked if CH can create a flyer about why we are still subsidizing fossil fuels? Brian committed to create a draft by Fri 2/8, and will also draft a list of 10 FAQs. Brian did not create either and will stepped back from doing CH work for a while.

4. CH member recruitment

We need to recruit more people to help us collect stories and campaigns happening around the state so we can feature them in the newsletter. Jewel stepped back in Dec from directing volunteers and answering calls. Nassim took over, is now primary on 8/10 tasks, and Mica has the other 2 tasks. We need more participation and volunteers. Mica has some ideas on volunteers, all members to look into recruiting candidates who enjoy creating content.

5. CH roles and tasks - member reports, primary - review task distribution (IdD) (All - 30 min)

Responsibility Primary hr/wk Secondary

A- Administering gpca@cagreens.org email / CH Com listserve Mica (4hr) Nassim

B- Responding to gpca@cagreens.org inquiries

Nassim (2hr) Mica

C- Directing volunteers from GPCA and GPUS Nassim (1hr) Jewel

D- Returning & directing calls to gpca phone 916.448.3437 Nassim (1hr) Jewel

E- Shipping literature - regional: northern/central/south Nassim/ Mica / Jewel (minor)

F- Ordering Materials Nassim (minor) Mica

G- Graphic and Design Nassim (minor) Brian

H- Creating new website content, managing shop site Nassim (8hr)

I- Communication Plan Nassim (2hr)

J- Literature content creation coordinators Mica Nassim / Brian

Appendix B GROW

GROW - Grassroots Organizing Working Group Meeting

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:30 – 8:30 pm

Call in Number: 605-475-4923, Code 510301#

ATTENDEES: FACILITATOR Anthony Krzywicki (co-coordinator); NOTETAKER Laura Wells (co-coordinator), Audra Walton, Christine Pepin, Jennifer Hall, Jewel Krzywicki, Richard Gomez

NOTES

The Role we want GROW to have. Discussed:

- * GROW mission statement: keeping counties active and voter registration
- * Clearinghouse's role: incoming communications (directed to counties, etc.), email blasts, materials, website content
- * Combining the two into a "Communications Standing Committee" as a bylaw change, or try it out by combining meetings.
- * Difference between working groups (two appointed co-coordinators) and standing committees (8 appointed members)
- * Alternatively, having GROW become more of a brainstorming opportunity, where people can call in about projects or with feedback
- * Current big needs in GPCA are fundraising and outreach to Greens & public

ACTION ITEMS

*** Laura will send notes (or summary) to Bylaws Committee and Clearinghouse Committee individual members, with the idea of submitting a Bylaw amendment during the next GA or the next SGA after the current one.

*** Laura will send to GROW information about how to apply for committee appointments; the appointment process happens at the CC calls which are generally the first (second in case of holidays and elections) Monday evenings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* Anthony will phone bank to call registered Greens to say we're active and here's FB and donate to the state.

* Audra pointed out that the tax form statement, "Would you like \$3 of your federal tax to go to the Presidential Election Campaign Fund?" will help the Green Party especially since Obama didn't do it, and others since, so more money is left for the rest of us.

NEXT MEETING: March 12, 2019, 7:30pm, 605-475-4923, Code 510301

Appendix C Finance Committee

February Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday February 28th, 2018, 8 – 9:00 pm

Dial-in Number: (515) 604-9861

Access Code: 616301*

Present: Victoria Ashley – Liaison, Co-co, Ruscal Cayangyang – Treasurer, Maxine (Mica) Daniel – Co-co, Frank Lambert

Absent: Quinton Crawford, Bob Marsh

1. Agenda approval

Approved by consensus of those present

2. Review of Last Month's Minutes

Approved by consensus of those present

3. Updates / Treasurer Report *these numbers are not changed from Jan

- Travis Credit Union state acct: \$5,862.41 (ckg + savings)
- Travis Credit Union federal acct: \$1,600.00 (chkg + savings)
- One United acct: \$660.84
- PayPal: \$3,377.16
- Barnett PayPal: \$636.34

Fines status

- No change

Upcoming expenses

- Nationbuilder – Now at \$188.

Ruscal will look into switching to annual plan and what the savings would be. Or, we can look at other databases, like Minivan (NGPvan), a database program that campaigns use, one of many vendors to look at.

4. Updates

Discussion of updates from IT & Treasurer about the Nationbuilder account, the voter registrations, and the Paypal account.

Nassim acknowledged receiving the voter registrations, however no one else from IT has responded. Paypal has not responded regarding Doug's account except to say that we need additional documentation. Ruscal will forward the info to Mica and Victoria.

5. May/June General Assembly

The next GA will be in Alameda County, either late April or early May.

6. California Progressive Alliance Founding Conference

March 30th -31st in San Luis Obispo, CA

<https://californiaprogressivealliance.org/2019-founding-convention/>

7. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 28th, 2019

Appendix D Bylaws Committee

Monthly Bylaws Committee Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee – Feb. 2019

From: The GPCA ByLaws Committee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: March 3, 2019

Submitted By: Mimi Newton, Co-Co ByLaws Committee

Date of the last ByLaws Committee Meeting: Thursday, Feb. 28, 2019

Attendees:

Present: Gloria Purcell; Mimi Newton, Adam Siegel (Quorum present.)

Absent: Laura Wells

Date of the next ByLaws Committee Meeting Conference Call:

Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 pm, Call in number - (515) 739-1271, access code: 753142

Calendar of regular Bylaws Committee meetings for 2019:

March 28

April 25

May 23

June 27

July 25

August 22

September 26

October 24

November (To Be Determined)

December (To Be Determined)

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

-- Members of the Committee have been discussing the Bylaws Committee's mandate, roles etc. in the GPCA Bylaws and deliberating appropriate changes. These discussions are continuing.

-- Members of the Committee have been discussing proposed Bylaws Amendments regarding --

A. Reserving all rights of the designation "Green Party of California" to the organization in the form of the State Party's Coordinating Committee and to be used or conferred only under its' By Laws. (Appendix i). The Committee will be providing comments to James Lauderdale regarding the proposal.

B. Bylaws for Delegate/Alternate Delegate GPUS elections. (Appendix ii). The Committee discussed possible bylaws changes but does not believe any are necessary.

C. Bylaws Amendment: GPCA Liaison to the Secretary of State (Appendix iii). The Committee is reviewing the proposal and should have comments, if any, shortly.

D. Clearinghouse Committee (Bylaws Section 9-6) recommendations on changes to committee duties and authority (Appendix iv). The Bylaws Committee reviewed the proposal and has no comments or concerns with the format, etc.

E. Additional Bylaws Committee discussions regarding the following items are ongoing: (1) Changing the Campaigns and Candidates Working Group to a committee; (2) Removing the mandate for Working Group co-co's to update their webpages with members names; (3) Removing the Working Group membership requirements; (4) Changing membership requirements for committees such that an applicant's first contact would be with the committee, not the CC, (people should first volunteer for a Committee or WG for 3 months then submit their application to the CC); (5) Re-evaluate the role of the Media Committee in the selection of the Party Spokespersons; and (6) Re-evaluate provisions regarding County Councils, should language be changed to refer to four years terms, elected in presidential primaries.

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Appendix i

TO: By Laws Committee

FROM: James Lauderdale GPCC member.

PURPOSE: To reserve all rights of the designation "Green Party of California " to the organization in the form of the State Party's Coordinating Committee and to be used or conferred only under its' By Laws.

PROPOSED: Change is Bolded.

Article 1. Name

The name of this organization is the Green Party of California (GPCA).

Section 4-2 Coordinating Committee

The Coordinating Committee shall authorize and carry out decisions of the General Assembly and make executive decisions, but not set policy between General Assembly meetings, and shall be generally responsible for coordinating General Assemblies and other statewide meetings, internal communications and other Party administrative tasks as defined in these Bylaws.

The Coordinating Committee shall retain all authority for its duties and responsibilities under these bylaws. The Coordinating Committee may choose to delegate authority, including authorizing agents for specific tasks. However, use of the name "Green Party of California" shall remain the province of the Green Part of California through its Coordinating Committee. The use of the term "Green Party" may not be delegated except to verified County Councils, and may not be used in the name of Active Green Locals or any other organization.

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Appendix ii

June 2018 Coordinating Committee Minutes:

(07) Decision: Current call for candidates and Delegation elections (10 mins)

Sponsor: Tarik Kanaana

Background and Purpose: The call for GPCA GPUS Delegate and Alternate Delegate candidate's in March 2018 deviated from previous delegation election announcements insofar as it explicitly advised applicants that they could apply for a Delegate position, an Alternate Delegate position or both. Other delegate election announcements have specifically advised applicants that they can only apply for one or the other, but not both. This deviation from previous practice has raised questions about the election and how it is tallied that deserve clarification by the CC.

Proposal: The Coordinating Committee shall affirm the following process for tallying the upcoming GPCA GPUS Delegate and Alternate Delegate Election Votes in order to assure the election of as many delegates and alternate delegates as possible under during this upcoming election. To that end, the regular Delegate Election (as distinguished from the Alternate Delegate Election) will have its votes tallied first and the winners of that election identified. If any of the winners of the (regular) Delegate Election also submitted applications to be considered in the Alternate Delegate Election, those individuals — and any votes cast for those individuals — shall be disregarded in the tallying of the Alternate Delegate Election, which will occur after the (regular) Delegate Election winners have been identified. Thus, the top vote getters of the Alternate Delegate Election will be limited to those applicants who are not elected as regular Delegates.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: The SGA Vote Administrators shall be advised of this decision and shall ensure that this process is implemented. The SGA Vote Administrators are also requested to provide this information in full or in a summarized form to the SGA as well as the candidates that have submitted applications for either position.

References:

Mike - has outstanding concerns for which he is not willing to stand aside so the item will go to a vote.

YES (14): Victoria Ashley, Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Susan Chunco, Maxine Daniel, Sanda Everette, Tarik Kanaana, Ann Menasche, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Laura Wells, and Stephen Zollman.

NO (2): Mike Feinstein, and Ajay Rai.

ABSTAIN (1): Deatra Cohen

NOT PRESENT (6): Angelica Duenas, Sadie Fulton, Josh Jones, Bert Heuer, Eric Luna, Erik Rydberg

People who did not vote included Sadie & Josh, who have fallen off the line as of this vote.

14 yes votes & 2 no votes.

Item passes with approval of 87% of those voting. (Threshold was 60% of all yes and no votes cast.)

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Appendix iii

January 21, 2019 email to the Bylaws Committee from Mike Feinstein, GPLAC:

Subject: Bylaws Amendment: GPCA Liaison to the Secretary of State

Sponsor: Green Party of Los Angeles County

Background: Although the position of GPCA Liaison to the Secretary of State is in GPCA Bylaws - as well as in the California State Elections Code (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201...) - there is not Article in the GPCA Bylaws specifying the duties and responsibilities of the position of Liaison.

This proposal would address this by doing three things:

- (1) Adding into the GPCA Bylaws all duties and responsibilities of the Liaison as specified by the California Elections Code, so that it is clear within GPCA Bylaws what those duties and responsibilities (14-1.1 to 14-1.8);
- (2) Adding into the GPCA Bylaws responsibility for the Liaison to communicate with the Coordinating Committee and the county parties in order to ensure that endorsed candidacies by the GPCA and county Green Parties are reported to county registrar of voters as specified by the California Elections Code (14-1.9 to 14-1.10)
- (3) Adding into the GPCA Bylaws responsibility for the Liaison to communicate with the Coordinating Committee any correspondence from the Secretary of State requiring action by the GPCA or its county Green Parties.

The intent of the GPLAC is for this Bylaws Amendment to be considered at the next Standing General Assembly.

Proposal: That the following be added to GPCA Bylaws

Article XIV: Liaison to the Secretary of State

14-1 Duties and Authority

14-1.1 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall respond to all correspondence from the California Secretary of State, as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, regarding submission of names by the GPCA for consideration by the Secretary of State in the determination of candidates to be placed on the Green Party presidential preference primary ballot, as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code.

14-1.2 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, a copy of the list and any subsequent additions to the list of candidates placed on the Green Party presidential preference primary ballot by the Secretary of State.

14-1.3 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall certify to the Secretary of State as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, the name of each elector nominated, and the elector's residence address, of the electors nominated by the GPCA for President and Vice President.

14-1.4 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall communicate to the Secretary of State as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, changes in the number of members of any County Council, and shall do so no later than 175 days before the next presidential primary election, as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code

14-1.5 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, the certificate from the Secretary of State as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, of the number of members of a county council to be elected in each county; and to each county Green Party, the certificate from the Secretary of State of the number of members to be elected for that County Council in that county

14-1.6 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, the certificate from the Secretary of State as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, stating the final total of votes cast for each candidate for member of county council, including the name, address, and ballot designation of each such candidate, and a specification as to which candidates were declared elected, upon completion of the official canvass.

14-1.7 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, the certificate from the Secretary of State as specified by the Green Party section of the California Elections Code, stating who are the elected members of all county councils.

14-1.8 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, as specified by the California Elections Code, any correspondence from the Secretary of State regarding length and submission deadlines for Political Party Statements of Purpose, and shall submit to the California Secretary of State, such Statements of Purpose as authorized by the Coordinating Committee by the deadline required by the Secretary of State.

14-1.9 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, any correspondence from the Secretary of State regarding submission deadlines to report GPCA endorsements of statewide candidates; and shall submit to the California Secretary of State, such GPCA endorsements to the Secretary of State, as communicated by the Coordinating Committee and/or as recorded in decisions of the Standing General Assembly.

14-1.10 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, any correspondence from the Secretary of State regarding submission deadlines to report county Green Party endorsements of non-statewide candidates for state and federal office, and shall forward to each individual county Green Party, said correspondence from the Secretary of State and/or any County Registrar of Voters regarding reporting endorsements from that individual county Green Party; and shall submit to the California Secretary of State, such county Green Party endorsements to the Secretary of State, with a copy to the Coordinating Committee, as communicated by the county Green Parties as recorded in the approved minutes of that county Green Party.

14-1.11 The Liaison to the Secretary of State shall forward to the Coordinating Committee, any correspondence from the Secretary of State requiring action by the GPCA or its county Green Parties, not otherwise contained herein; and shall respond to the Secretary of State accordingly, including at the direction of the Coordinating Committee.

Implementation: Immediately upon passage, with updates to GPCA Bylaws and to GPCA Liaison to the Secretary of State webpages

Resources: No financial resources required

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Please let us know if you have any questions.

Mike Feinstein
Secretary, GPLAC

CC: Ajay Rai, Julia Russell, Co-Coordiators, GPLAC

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Appendix iv

Email to the Bylaws Committee from Nassim Nouri on behalf of Clearinghouse Committee dated Jan. 30, 2019:

Bylaws "Section 9-6. Clearinghouse Communications Committee

9-6.1 Duties and Authority

The Clearinghouse Communications Committee is charged with maintaining an archive of all GPCA documents and data. The Clearinghouse Committee is also charged with) facilitating internal and external communications, information dissemination, responding to external inquiries, messaging and content creation for publications and GPCA website, including to:

9-6.1(a) Reply Return and/or redirect to appropriate sources within the Party, all external communications received by phone, email, and

postal mail;

9-6.1(b) Create messaging and content for publications and the GPCA website

9-6.1(c) Oversee that information relating to this work on the GPCA website is accurate and up to date.

9-6.1(c) Disseminate information using periodic and regular communications through email blasts to internal and external lists.

9-6.1(d) Be responsible for merchandising and collateral, including budgeting, ordering, storage and shipping

9-6.1(e) Prepare an annual Work Plan and submit it along with any budget requests.

9.6.2 Membership

Communication Clearinghouse Committee shall consist of eight voting members, appointed by the Coordinating Committee to serve staggered two-year terms, including a Coordinating Committee Liaison, who shall serve as one of two Clearinghouse Communication Committee co-coordinators. The other Clearinghouse Committee co-coordinator shall be elected by the Clearinghouse Communication itself. Eligible appointees to the Clearinghouse Communication Committee must have volunteered with the Communication Committee for at least three months, attended at least one in-person General Assembly within the last five or be a Standing (SGA) Delegate, demonstrate a working knowledge of the Bylaws and Rules and Procedures and apply to the Coordinating Committee for appointment.

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