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Coordinating Committee minutes, July 9th, 2018

July 9, 2018

7:30PM to 9:30PM

(01) Roll call

There are currently 24 committee members. This means quorum is a simple majority of 13.

Victoria Ashley, Alternate Co-Coordinator

Doug Barnett

Marla Bernstein

Carol Bouldin

June Brashares

Eric Brooks

Maxine Daniel, Co-Coordinator

Angelica Duenas

Sanda Everette

Sadie Fulton

Colt Gonzales

Randy Hicks

Josh Jones

Tarik Kanaana

James Lauderdale

Eric Luna

Lauren Mauricio

Ann Menasche

Mimi Newton

Nassim Nouri

Erik Rydberg

Adam Siegel

Laura Wells

Stephen Zollman, Alternate Co-Coordinator

PRESENT (19): Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, Carol Bouldin, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Maxine Daniel (Co-Coordinator), Sanda Everette, Sadie Fulton, Colt Gonzales, Randy Hicks, Josh Jones, James Lauderdale, Lauren Mauricio, Ann Menasche, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells, Stephen Zollman, (Alternate Co-Coordinator).

ABSENT (5): Victoria Ashley (Alternate Co-Coordinator), Angelica Duenas*, Tarik Kanaana, Eric Luna*, and Adam Siegel. (Those noted as "Absent," with an asterisk(*) for the purpose of the initial quorum only, joined the call later, as noted in these minutes.)

With 19 out of 24 CC Members present, quorum was achieved at 7:40 pm.

(02) Roles

Facilitator: Mica Daniels

Minutes taker: Mimi Newton (with help from June Brashares)

Time keeper: Eric Brooks
Vibes Watcher: Randy Hicks

Modified consensus process explained by Eric Brooks to new members.

**Eric Luna - came on the call as of 7:47 pm.

(03) Approval of agenda

Sponsor: Mica Daniel

Proposal: Approve the agenda (draft III from Stephen Zollman rec'd on 7/9/18 at ~ 9:43 pm.)

Late Items -

SGA Election Announcement (Newton) - Added after the last Item, as new Item 15.

No questions or concerns.

Approved by consensus.

(04) Decision: Approval of prior month's Minutes (2 min)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel

Proposal: Approve the minutes for the 6/4/18 meeting as recorded by Mimi Newton

Reference: See email from Mimi Newton on 6/15/18 at ~ 5:30 pm .

No questions or concerns.

Approved by consensus

(05) Announcement: Consent Calendar (2 min)

Sponsor: Co-Coordinator

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 into the meeting minutes

The following Committee/Working Group reports were submitted and will be included into the meeting minutes:

CCWG - Appendix A

Bylaws (sent late) - Appendix B

The following committees did not send reports:

Campaign Funding Support

ERWG

GROW

Fundraising

IT

Media

Platform

State Meeting Planning

Question - To whom should working groups and committees send monthly reports?

Answer - Monthly reports should be sent to the CC email group.

Question - What is the date of the next Bylaws meeting?

Answer - The third Sunday (July 15, 2018) - time and call in information is in the Monthly Report (Appendix B).

No questions or concerns.
Approved by consensus.

(06) Decision: Creation of new GPCA Activist Training and Development Working Group

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton

Proposal: That the Coordinating Committee explore the avenues required to establish a new GPCA Working Group focused on activist training and development, with the goal of doing so in the next three months.

Reference: See Sadie's e-mail of July 2nd

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Discussion.

** Angelica Duenas joined the call at 8:06 pm.

Friendly amendment (June Brashares) - ask for volunteers from the CC for now. These volunteers would work between now and the next CC meeting with Sadie to figure out details for moving forward, such as whether CC or SGA decision making is appropriate for creation of CC subcommittee and/or new working group.

Friendly amendment to call for volunteers accepted by Sadie Fulton —

Outstanding concern: Doug Barnett - we are not an activist party but a political party.

No additional questions or concerns.
Approved by consensus.

Volunteering to work with Sadie Fulton on this item: Josh Jones, Randy Hicks, and Eric Brooks.

(07) Decision: Appoint Nicole Raglin to the IT committee per her application dated June 13th, 2018

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton

Proposal: appoint Nicole Raglin to the IT committee per her application dated June 13th, 2018

Reference: Nicole's application at Appendix C.

Affirmations from Erik Rydberg & Randy Hicks.

No questions or concerns.
Approved by consensus.

(08) Decision: That the GPCA encourage local county councils, and Greens across California, to have a presence at the SF Mime Troupe's touring show, "Seeing Red"

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton and Josh Jones

Proposal: that the GPCA encourage local county councils, and Greens across California, to have a presence at the SF Mime Troupe's touring show, "Seeing Red".

Reference: See Sadie's e-mail of July 2nd

Affirmations: Nassim Nouri, Sanda Everette, Jim Lauderdale

Discussion.

Request from June Brashares that information go to GROW as well.

No questions or concerns.
Approved by consensus.

(09) Decision: That the GPCA endorse, and encourage Greens to join, the Families Belong Together rallies which have been and will continue to take place across the state and the country. That the GPCA firmly opposes the separation of families, detention of children, and cruel practices towards refugees.

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Reference: See Sadie's e-mail of July 2nd

Discussion.

Question - has GPUS done something about this yet?

Answer - No. GPUS has no way to move that quickly unless the Steering Committee acts.

Friendly amendment, (Ann Menasche) - let's be clear that we are against BOTH the incarceration and separation of families at the borders. Accepted by Sadie Fulton.

Friendly amendment, (Erik Rydberg) - wants to add something indicating that ICE should be abolished.

Discussion.

Sadie is not willing to accept Erik Rydberg's friendly amendment because of the controversy and will work on development of other issues, like ICE, later. Erik withdraws his suggestion but wants to revisit it later.

No outstanding questions or concerns.

Approved by consensus.

Note taking by June Brashares for the rest of the meeting:

The following "Late" Items had been added to the agenda during the agenda approval process

ITEMS 10 & 11 WERE DONE TOGETHER AS WAS
DECIDED DURING THE AGENDA APPROVAL PROCESS

(10) Decision Item: Opposing California Senate Bill 237 (Hertzberg – Direct Access Electricity)

Sponsor: Eric Brooks

Proposal: That the GPCA Oppose SB 237

Reference: See Eric's 7/3 e-mail

(11) Decision Item: Opposing SB 1088 (Dodd – Utilities, Forest Fire Liability)

Sponsor: Eric Brooks

Proposal: That the GPCA Oppose SB 1088

Reference: See Eric's 7/3 e-mail

Both items 10 & 11 passed by Consensus.

(12) Decision Item: Appoint Three Moderators, and One Alternate Moderator, for the GPCA-Forum List, gpcforum@cagreen.org (aka gpcforum@lists.cagreen.org), & and establish that it is the general member discussion list for the GPCA and is governed by the GPCA Email Rules of Decorum and all other GPCA rules and bylaws governing GPCA email lists.

Sponsor: Eric Brooks

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Reference: See Eric's 7/3 e-mail

Item 12 was withdrawn by its sponsor, Eric Brooks, after over 10 minutes of discussion since it appeared there wouldn't be enough time to reach consensus

(13) Decision item: Approve the GPCA Statement of Purpose for the November election.

Sponsor: Mica Daniels

Proposal: To Confirm Statement of Purpose

Reference: See Mica's email to the CC on July 5th

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

From: Maxine Daniel

Date: Thu, Jul 5, 2018 at 10:27 PM

Subject: [gpcforum] : Agenda Item: GPCA Statement of Purpose

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

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

From: Maxine Daniel

Date: Tue, Feb 13, 2018 at 11:30 PM

Below a copy of the statement for the primary. Mica

Green Party

People vote Green because Greens support viable solutions to our greatest challenges from inequality to climate change. Greens actions can match their values because Greens refuse contributions from corporations. In California, over 70 Greens hold elected office.

Voting Green means:

ECONOMIC FAIRNESS

- Living wages, green jobs, universal health care, workers' rights, affordable housing and food security for all
- Public banks to invest in California, not Wall Street
- Tuition-free higher education
- Reforming Proposition 13 to close corporate loopholes and restore schools and public services
- Taxing the super-rich

ACTION ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS

- Going 100% renewable through publicly-owned clean energy and efficiency programs
- Switching from fossil fuels to clean electric-powered public transportation
- Restoring groundwater and watersheds
- Reforestation, restorative agriculture

HUMAN RIGHTS

- Ending oppression based on race, gender, sexual orientation, disability or economic status
- Defending immigrants from dangerous raids and deportations
- Black Lives Matter, police accountability
- Gun control/safety
- Abolishing the death penalty, ending private prisons, reducing prison populations

ELECTORAL REFORM

- Eliminating corporate money through publicly-financed elections
- Proportional representation, ranked choice voting
- Overturning the Top Two primary

VISION

- Greens early leadership led to recent successes including cannabis legalization and closing California's last nuclear power plant.

Register and vote Green to help us do more.

Green Party of California

P.O. Box 485, San Francisco, CA 94104

(916) 448-3437

E-mail: gpcac@calgreens.org

Website: www.calgreens.org

Laura Wells made a friendly amendment that Mica Daniels accepted for a modification of the text from "universal health care" to "improved Medi-Care for all".

Sanda Everette made a friendly amendment that Mica Daniels accepted to correct typo/grammar. Sanda will email Mica the suggested edit to clean up the typo/grammar.

Randy Hicks had a concern but was willing to stand aside.

Carol Bouldin also had a concern, but was willing to stand aside.

Passed by Consensus (with 2 stand asides).

(14) Decision Item: For the CC to schedule an SGA election for the GPCA to take positions on the November 2018 ballot propositions.

Sponsor: June Brashares

Proposal: That the CC schedule an SGA election for the GPCA to determine GPCA's positions for each of the state propositions that are to appear on the November 2018 ballot. The discussion period for this SGA election is to start as soon as possible during July.

Background: There are ~ a dozen propositions that will be on the California ballot in November 2018. We need the GPCA to determine its positions on each ballot measure to be able to publicize the GPCA positions for the November election. The SGA has a 6-week discussion period and a one week voting period so we need to start the SGA discussion period for the election as soon as possible.

Implementation: The CC notifies the SGA Administrators to implement the SGA election, and the discussion period is to start as soon as possible. CCWG can provide the list/text of the propositions.

Passed by Consensus

(15) Decision Item: Send out a call for new SGA Vote Administrators, and Alternate SGA Vote Administrators, so that they can be appointed and trained to administer the next SGA Vote.

Sponsor: Mimi Newton, Marin County

Proposal: That the CC authorize the Co-coordinators to work with the IT Committee to send a call within the next 3 days to California Greens seeking volunteers to act as SGA Vote Administrators and Alternate SGA Vote Administrators and begin the process of appointing such SGA Vote Administrators and Alternate Vote Administrators in accordance with Article V of the IT Protocol. This would include identifying any Alternate SGA Vote Administrators who may be able to fill a regular SGA Vote Administrator vacancy in accordance with Article 5 of the IT Protocol.

Background: With Laura Wells' recent and understandable resignation as an SGA Vote Administrator, that leaves Victoria Ashley, Brian Good, and Eric Brooks. These individuals may or may not be ready, willing and able to carry out the responsibilities of SGA Vote Administration in Laura's absence. The Co-co's should ascertain whether these individuals are or are not prepared to continue in their respective roles as SGA Vote Administrators (or Alternate Vote Administrators) and, based on the answers, evaluate how many new SGA Vote Administrators or Alternates to seek. They should then follow up by working with the IT Committee on a call to the Counties, with wide

distribution throughout the GPCA emails lists (see Article 5-1.2), for applicants with an eye toward potentially appointing new SGA Vote Administrators and/or Alternates at the CC's August 2018 Meeting.

Timeframe: 3 days, per IT Protocol, Article 5-1.5.

Resources: Article V of the IT Protocol at <http://www.cagreens.org/it-protocol>

Article V. Electronic Vote Administration

Section 5-1 Standing General Assembly (SGA) Vote Administrators

5-1.1 The Coordinating Committee shall elect a minimum of five nominees (with gender balance and from 5 different counties), subject to 3/5 approval by the Coordinating Committee using ranked choice online voting in accordance with 7-2.4(a) of the GPCA bylaws, with the three highest ranked serving as SGA Vote Administrators to serve simultaneous two-year terms; and the next two ranked individuals to serve as Alternate SGA Vote Administrators for the same term. Terms shall run from June 1 to May 31 beginning in odd-numbered years. (For 2017 only, the CC will vote to approve the SGA Vote Administrators and alternates within one month after the adoption of this provision, by an online ranked choice vote.)

5-1.2 All nominees must be Green Party members and be recommended to the Coordinating Committee by their County Council to be eligible. A call for SGA Vote Administrator applicants shall be sent to the GPCA Inform, GPCA Forum and SGA Votes Email lists by the IT Committee at the direction of the Coordinating Committee, within the first 15 days of April of each odd-numbered year. For 2017 only, the call for SGA Vote Administrator applicants and alternates shall be sent within three (3) calendar days after adoption of this provision.)

5-1.3 In the event that an SGA Vote Administrator or Alternate seat is not filled by rank choice vote, the Coordinating Committee shall conduct an on-line vote to fill the seat(s) in accordance with Article IV of the Coordinating Committee's Internal Procedures.

5-1.4 In the event of an SGA Vote Administrator mid-term vacancy, an Alternate of the same gender, if possible, shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term. If both alternates are the same gender, the Coordinating Committee shall select one at either their next regular meeting or by an online vote.

5-1.5 The Coordinating Committee shall conduct nominations and on-line votes to fill mid-term vacancies of Alternate seat(s) in a gender-balanced manner, and shall call for applicants to fill mid-term vacancies of Alternate seats within three (3) calendar days after becoming aware of the vacated seat(s).

5-1.6 SGA Vote Administrators may be recalled by a 2/3 vote of the SGA. The vote will be placed in the SGA voting queue with expedited process with a two week discussion and one week voting period upon request to the Coordinating Committee by six different SGA delegates from at least four different counties.

5-1.7 Where there is disagreement between SGA Vote Administrators, or a dispute has been filed, over management of SGA voting procedures or results, the threshold for SGA Vote Administrator decision-making shall be 2/3 and no fewer than two Vote Administrators in agreement for resolving the disagreement. If a Vote Administrator is not available an Alternate Administrator shall participate in the decision making in his or her place with the Alternate who shall participate being chosen at random. Quorum for all decisions shall be two.

5-1.8 Vote Administrator management of SGA voting procedures or results may be disputed by any six GPCA delegates, officers, and/or Vote Administrators from at least four different counties by filing a notice of the dispute to the Coordinating Committee, which shall immediately email the notice to the SGA Votes Email list. Vote Administrators shall decide on the dispute within two weeks after the notice of the dispute is filed. A decision by the Vote Administrators over such a dispute may be appealed by any six Green Party California delegates, officers and/or Vote Administrators from at least four different counties by filing a notice of the appeal to the Coordinating Committee. Such appeals shall be noticed by the Coordinating Committee and be voted on within one full month by the SGA, with at least one week allocated for discussion and at least one week allocated for voting by the SGA.

Eric Brooks made a friendly amendment accepted by Mimi Newton to have the call for applicants for SGA Administrator sent out to the Inform and other lists, and for the election of the new SGA Vote Administrator(s) to be timed, as much as possible, to be in coordination with the running of the SGA vote on the state propositions. The Co-Cos could send out the call for applicants to start the process for the CC to fill the SGA Administrator vacancy.

Sanda Everette had a concern and was willing to stand aside. Sanda's stated concern: "SGA needs to be a synchronous legislative session. Not just it would be nice. GPUS is considering doing it. Believe me, having been a National Committee for about 15 years, not having specially timed session has given us a 'never closed' type of feeling"

Passed by consensus (with 1 stand aside)

9:30pm Meeting ended.

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APPENDICES

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APPENDIX A

Candidates & Campaigns Working Group (CCWG)
had monthly CCWG Meeting on June 24th, 2018 (on the 4th Sunday)
at 7:30pm

Call in number: 505-398-0507 (No PIN required)

Attendees:

David Cobb, Humboldt County
June Brashares, Sonoma County
Sadie Fulton, Yolo County
Richard Gomez, Fresno County

Agenda:

Agenda Review

- added items about state propositions, campaign updates, & ERWG request

Report re: GPUS Coordinated Campaign Committee

Report re: GPCA Coordinating Committee liaison

Discussion of state propositions to be on the ballot in November. Need a timely SGA vote for GPCA positions on the propositions to be available in time.

Discussion of GPCA General Assembly in Stockton

Discussion of 2020 Election Calendar

Idea to do regional meetings. March meetings in Bay Area, Central Valley, So Cal. Not decision making, just to provide information, to get people aware of the election calendar and help people be more effective.

Update on candidate campaigns.

Laura Wells was write-in winner to make it into the top-two in the Congressional race against Barbara Lee so will be on the ballot in November. Laura joins winners Kenneth Mejia and Roldolfo Cores Barragan who also made it into the top-two in each of their Congressional races against incumbent Democrats.

Still waiting to hear election results in Sadie Fulton's write-in campaign.

Hoping to do livestreamed online telethon fundraising for candidates in July.

ERWG invited CCWG to combine meetings. CCWG wants to focus on trying to help Kenneth Mejia, Rodolfo Cortes and Laura Wells in the upcoming Nov general election.

Next meeting of CCWG will be July 29 at 7:30pm

(since the GPUS National meeting will be taking place on July 22nd, the CCWG meeting will not be on the usual 4th Sunday in July, but instead the CCWG meeting will be on the follow July 29th).

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APPENDIX B

Monthly Bylaws Committee Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee – July 2018

From: The GPCA ByLaws Committee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: July 9, 2018

Submitted By: Mimi Newton, CC Liaison/Co-Co ByLaws Committee

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Date of the last ByLaws Committee Meeting:

Sunday, June 10, 2018 at the General Assembly in Stockton - Bylaws Breakout Session. {PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WAS NOT THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING DATE.}

Attendees:

Present (2): Steven Breedlove, Mimi Newton

Attendees (8): David Cobb (briefly), Fernando Serrano, Lauren Mauricio, Violet Rose Zitola, Sienna Thomas, Tarik Kanaana, Faygo Clark, and Lee McKusick

There was no quorum but a robust group and numerous great ideas for review at the next Bylaws Committee Meeting.

Date of the ByLaws Committee's next meeting:

Sunday, July 15, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Call in number - (515) 739-1271, access code: 753142.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

- Bylaws Template Project for the Counties (on hold temporarily).
- Planning for a Bylaws Committee Conference before the next GA (i.e., in September or early October).

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APPENDIX C

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

From: Nicole Raglin

Date: Wed, Jun 13, 2018, 9:16 AM

Subject: It Committee Application

To:

Hello My Name is Nicole Raglin,

I have lived my entire life committed to the Green Party's Ten Key Values, and finally registered Green in June of 2016. I had been a Green all along, I just did not know it! I am heavily involved in the Nevada County Green Party and am a member in good standing on our council. In my spare time (This sounds like my 7th grade paper, "About Me.") I take an organizational role in our local Progressive Alliance, work with our local Chapter of Health Care for All, I fight to save the Bear River and am a founder of GMO Free Nevada County.

I run our local chapter's web page, updating the content, managing forms, creating our newsletter, email blasts, and our database. I am not a genius, savant, or other amazing creature that can do things I can only imagine, but I can do some html, Ruby on Rails, and CSS. I am one of those strange people that does not mind database management/building. Weird, I know. I have a strong background in Illustrator, In Design, and Photoshop.

This last election cycle, I helped Barry Hermanson with his web presence, as well as Lewis Elbinger.

Fingers crossed, I look forward to being a part of the IT team.

In solidarity,
Nicole