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Coordinating Committee minutes, February 5th, 2018

DRAFT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Submitted by Mimi Newton, on Feb. 9, 2018 ~ 3:00 pm.

February 5th, 2018

7:30PM to 9:30PM

(01) Roll call (2 min)

There are currently 23 committee members. This means quorum is a simple majority of 12.

Victoria Ashley, Alternate Co-Coordinator

Doug Barnett

Marla Bernstein

June Brashares

Eric Brooks

Deatra Cohen

Susan Chunco

Maxine Daniel, Co-Coordinator

Angelica Duenas

Sanda Everette

Mike Feinstein

Sadie Fulton

Mike Goldbeck

Bert Heuer, Co-Coordinator

Tarik Kanaana

Eric Luna

Ann Menasche

Mike Murphy

Mimi Newton

Ajay Rai

Erik Rydberg

Laura Wells

Stephen Zollman, Alternate Co-Coordinator

Present (18) - Victoria Ashley, Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, June Brashares, Susan Chunco, Deatra Cohen, Mica Daniel, Angelica Duenas, Sanda Everette, Mike Feinstein, Sadie Fulton, Bert Heuer, Ann Menasche, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Ajay Rai, Laura Wells, and Stephen Zollman.

Absent (2) - Mike Goldbeck, and Tarik Kanaana.

Quorum at 7:35 pm.

Also present, but coming onto the call after quorum call (3) - Eric Brooks (7:38 pm), Eric Luna (7:40 pm) and Erik Rydberg (8:15 pm).

(02) Roles (2 min)

Facilitator: Mica Daniels

Minutes taker: Mimi Newton
Time keeper: Eric Brooks/Laura Wells
Vibes Watcher: Susan Chunco

Approved by consensus.

(03) Approval of agenda (2 min)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel, Bert Heuer

Proposal: Approve the agenda (version II sent to CC on 2/5/18 at 10:26 am).

Questions & concerns-

Mike Feinstein proposed reordering of Items... [Mike says he will send in his stand aside objections regarding the ERWG item to the Note Taker.]. The Political Party Statement needs to get done - it's now Item number 12. He proposes we change it to number 9.

A friendly amendment is made by June Brashares, who recommends we change it to number 10 instead & Mike agrees -

Mimi Newton raises the problem with a typo in the item number 4, on the Minutes - last month's draft minutes are not in Appendix K but in an email she sent to the CC on Jan. 26, 2018. Those draft minutes include an Appendix K, which is the draft December Minutes. As Note taker, she will include them in these minutes as Appendix L.

Eric Brooks joined the call. (7:38)

Eric Luna joined the call. (7:40)

Mike Feinstein also recommends that Agenda item number 14 be moved up for the GA discussion, up to part of 8 - 8b.

Approved by consensus

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

Sponsor: Bert Heuer, Mica Daniel.

Proposal: Approve the minutes for the January, 8 2018 CC Meeting.

Reference: Jan. 8, 2018 GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING - DRAFT MINUTES that Mimi Newton sent to CC on Jan. 26, 2018. (Appendix L).

Approved by consensus.

(04b) Decision: Approval of December 4th meeting minutes (5 min)

Sponsor: Bert Heuer, Mica Daniel

Proposal: Approve the minutes for the December 4, 2017 meeting as recorded by Ann Menasche

Reference: Email with draft Minutes, as revised, was sent by Mimi Newton on behalf of Ann Menasche, on 1/8/18 at 6:29 pm (Appendix K to Jan. 8, 2018 Draft Minutes in Appendix L.)

On our January call there were outstanding concerns about approval of Minutes by Mike Feinstein, Ajay Rai and Eric Brooks. Mike is not willing to stand aside.

Friendly amendment from Mimi Newton for Mike Feinstein to clarify his concerns, send a proposed revision to the CC and that the CC reagendize the item for the March CC meeting. Mike would be okay with that.

Mica agrees to friendly amendment.

No outstanding concerns.

Approved by consensus.

(05) Announcement: Consent Calendar (2 minutes)

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:

Bylaws (Appendix A)

Clearinghouse (Appendix B)

ERWG (Appendix C)

Finance (Appendix D)

Fundraising (Appendix E)

GROW (Appendix F)

The following committees did not send reports:

IT

Media

Platform

CCWG

Campaign Funding Support

State Meeting Planning

Any questions or concerns? None.

Approved by Consensus.

(06) Proposal (Decision Item): Re-appoint Mica Daniel (Alameda County) to the Finance Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley

Background and Purpose: Mica Daniel is re-applying to the Finance Committee per her application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Mica Daniel's application to be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Application:

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

From: Maxine Daniel

Date: Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 10:06 AM

Subject: [gpca-cc] Reappointment to Finance Committee

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

Dear Coordinating Committee,

My name is Mica Daniel and I have served on the Finance Committee for several years and I am requesting reappointment. My commitment to the Finance Committee is having a balance budget, funds to move the party forward, and transparency. Thank you for your consideration.

Mica

Maxine H. Mica Daniel

Any questions or concerns? None.

Approved by consensus.

(07) Proposal (Decision Item): Re-appoint Shane Que Hee (LA County) to the Platform Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel

Background and Purpose: Shane Que Hee is re-applying to the Platform Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Shane Que Hee's application to the Platform Committee.

Application:

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From: shane que hee

Date: Mon, Jan 29, 2018 at 1:58 AM

Subject: Re: Reappointment to Platform Committee

To: Maxine Daniel , Shane que hee

Shane Que Hee has been Co-Co of the GPCA Platform Committee since 2004, and heads the LGBT Caucus of Los Angeles County recognized by the Green Party of Los Angeles County. He requests a final term a Co-Co of the GPCA Platform Committee. He will continue to update and improve the GPCA Platform and seek new members.

Ajay - Question as to whether there has been any succession planning since Shane says this will be his final term.

Mike - Shane said he wouldn't do this term, so we are very lucky to get this one last term from him.

Any other questions or concerns? None.

Approved by consensus.

(08) Discussion: Upcoming SGA (10 minutes)

Sponsor:

Background and Purpose: The discuss the contents of the upcoming SGA election

Proposal:

References:

SGA Announcement for GPUS Alternate Delegates Applications (1/16/18) (Appendix G)

SGA Announcement for CC Applications (1/15/18) (Appendix H)

Re: a bylaws interpretation for the Alternate delegates election.

(8b) (was item #14) Decision: Amend Bylaws Interpretation (10 min)

Sponsor: Mike Feinstein

Background and Purpose: The Coordinating Committee considered a Bylaws Interpretation at its August 8, 2017 meeting, proposed by Mimi Newton, to provide for a special election to fill a single vacancy on the GPUS Delegation among the Alternates. However the Bylaws Interpretation that was proposed that was ultimately amended and approved, contained findings for a different Interpretation than was ultimately approved - one that would fill three vacancies.. Hence the findings no longer fit the interpretation and would provide great confusion to the Standing General Assembly once submitted to it for approval.

Also on the agenda that evening was another Bylaws Interpretation, proposed by Mike Feinstein, that was designed to accomplish what was ultimately agreed - the filling of three vacancies. Once the proposal by Newton was amended to accomplish what the proposal by Feinstein was meant to approve, Feinstein withdrew his proposal. However that left Newton's proposal with incorrect findings.

<http://cagreens.org/committees/coordinating/minutes/2017-08-07>

This proposal is to substitute the findings from Feinstein's proposal to the proposal made by Newton, so that when it goes to the SGA, it has findings that fit the Interpretation ultimately made by the CC.

Proposal: That the following findings are adopted to accompany the proposal by Newton of August 8, 2017, in order to accompany it to the SGA scheduled to begin on February 12, 2018.

References: Appendix K

Mimi Newton and Mike Feinstein offer to work out the language for the bylaws interpretation regarding the GPUS Alternate Delegate Election and Mimi will send the revised language to the SGA Vote Administrators for Posting with the upcoming SGA Vote.

Question from Eric Brooks - are we just fixing the findings? - yes

Any other questions or concerns? None.

Approved by consensus.

(09) Decision Item: Approve a Statement of Findings/Bylaws Interpretation to establish process for GPCA endorsements for statewide candidates in June 2018 Primary (to be voted on by the Standing General Assembly) (10 min)

Sponsor: June Brashares, CC liaison to CCWG

Background and Purpose: The CCWG at its meeting on January 28th, 2018, approved a proposal requesting this action.

The CCWG requests the GPCA Coordinating Committee take the necessary action (approve a statement of findings / bylaws interpretation) to bring an endorsement proposal to the Standing General Assembly (SGA), to make endorsements in statewide races in advance of the June 2018 Primary. This endorsement process would be included in the next SGA (discussion period begins February 12) and would state that all Green candidates who have pulled papers to run for statewide offices in California *and* who have officially *qualified* to be candidates on the CA primary ballot by the time of the SGA vote (voting period starting March 26th), will be on the SGA ballot for endorsement. "No position" will be an option.

The endorsement process will be voided if the SGA votes against the CC's findings (bylaws interpretation) that would have enabled the endorsements.

The CC's statement of findings, that would clarify the extraordinary circumstances and their significance for the GPCA, can include mention of the current Top Two primary system for statewide office.

Since the implementation of the Top Two primary system in California in 2012, political party primaries have been eliminated. Under the current Top Two system, it is highly unlikely that any Green Party candidate will appear on the statewide general election ballot. Therefore the GPCA has been making endorsements for Greens running in statewide races prior to the primary, and the GPCA has done so via the SGA since 2014.

The Coordinating Committee on the November 6, 2017, teleconference discussed the CC's intent to have a SGA endorsement process to determine endorsements of statewide candidates in the June 2018 primary.

The CCWG at its meeting on January 28th, 2018, approved a proposal requesting this action.

Proposal: Approve the following Statement of Findings / Bylaws Interpretation to bring an endorsement process to the Standing General Assembly (SGA), to determine endorsements of Green candidates in statewide races for the June 2018 Primary.

Reference:(Appendix I)

JUNE - proposal to allow this to go to the SGA, where the SGA delegates would vote on endorsements. If the SGA votes down the proposal, then no endorsements, but if the proposal were approved, the SGA delegates would simultaneously endorse individual candidates based on who qualifies. In terms of the endorsements, delegates would be given three options: Endorse, Oppose or take no position.

A lively discussion ensued ...

Erik Rydberg joined the call. (8:15)

The discussion continued ...

Mike Feinstein has outstanding concerns and is not willing to stand aside - the matter goes to an immediate vote.

Yes Votes (15): Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Susan Chunco, Deatra Cohen, Mica Daniel, Sadie Fulton, Bert Heuer, Eric Luna, Ann Menasche, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells and Stephen Zollman.

No Votes (6): Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, Angelica Duenas, Sanda Everette, Mike Feinstein, and Ajay Rai.

Absent (2): Mike Goldbeck and Tarik Kanaana.

6 opposed and 15 in support.

Out of the 21 Members present, the 60% threshold requires 13 to pass.

The proposal passes - June Brashares to submit it to the SGA Vote Administrators to post during the next SGA discussion period and vote.

(10) (was item 12) Decision: Political Party Statement of Purpose (10 min)

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley

Background and Purpose:

Proposal: To decide if members want to revise the current statement, and if so, whom will be involved.

Reference: Appendix J

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

From: Curtis, Jennifer

Date: Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 11:07 AM

Subject: Political Party Statement of Purpose - June 5, 2018, Primary Election

Hello,

Attached, please find a request for your party's statement of purpose for possible inclusion in the June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary Election state Voter Information Guide. Statements will be due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 15, 2018. I will be mailing a hard copy as well.

Upon review of the attached documents, should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

Jennifer

Jennifer Curtis

State Voter Information Guide and MOV Program Manager

Elections Division, California Secretary of State

1500 11th Street, 5th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 695-1571

A discussion occurred about amending the Statement.

Stephen Zollman, Mimi Newton, Laura Wells, Vic Ashley and Eric Brooks offer to help with revisions.

The discussion continued and at one point the Notetaker recorded Mike Feinstein saying that Eric Brooks was right about something and at another point in the conversation Eric Brooks said he agreed with Mike Feinstein about something. [See?!]

Eric Brooks made a friendly amendment to start a 1 week vote ending on Sunday and Mike Feinstein added his request that an initial draft be sent out with the corrected P.O. Box and the 8 words deleted so we have a fallback in case we cannot agree on other revisions.

The discussion continued.

Mica agreed to post the fallback version to kick off the discussion/voting period tonight (or tomorrow morning).

Outstanding concerns

Vic is willing to stand aside - it is disappointing that this group won't allow the smaller group to work on this without a CC Vote.

No other outstanding concerns.

Approved by consensus.

(11) (was Item # 10) Decision: Bylaws Interpretation Regarding Holding SGA to take positions on June 2018 statewide ballot measures (10 min)

Sponsor: Mike Feinstein

Background: There will be at least four ballot measures on the June 2018 ballot. GPCA Bylaws specify that GPCA positions taken on such ballot measure are done through the Standing General Assembly. However the 2018-2018 work plan approved by the Sacramento General Assembly in June 2018 did not contain a Standing General Assembly scheduled at the traditional time that such endorsement SGAs are held - i.e. once the information about each measure from the Legislative Analysts Office is available, as well as the pro/con arguments contained in the ballot pamphlet. This bylaws interpretation would allow for an SGA to be held in a time period to maximize the availability of such information to SGA delegates.

Proposal: That the Coordinating Committee approve the following Bylaws interpretation and place it upon the agenda of the SGA scheduled to begin on February 12th. (text to follow once information is received from the SoS office regarding the timing)

Mike is not on the line.

Sanda has questions about this item.

June gave background information on the proposal. Suggests we not adopt this proposal since CCWG considered and rejected this and has its own proposal on endorsements for measures.

Call for consensus regarding rejecting this proposal - no outstanding concerns.

Rejected by consensus.

(12) (was Item # 11) Discussion: The Petitioning Effort for Repeal of Top Two (5 min)

Sponsor: Ann Menasche

Background and Purpose: The ERWG would like to put on the agenda the petitioning effort for repeal of Top Two. We would like to have contacts in every county willing to coordinate the gathering of signatures and would like to discuss how to organize this effort.

Proposal: To organize a petitioning effort for repeal of Top Two, including county contacts and methods of organizing.

Reference: To be added

A discussion was begun with about a minute to go in the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

The discussion regarding the top two repeal effort continued briefly with some members choosing to stay on the line. There was also a suggestion that the website discussion (item # 13) be put up higher on the agenda for next month's meeting and that we have tighter control of long discussions so we can get to important items.

(13) Discussion: Status of Website Re-development (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley

Background and Purpose: New IT Committee members have submitted a Report to the CC summarizing their survey results, along with proposed changes.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and review questions, concerns and thoughts on the current status and planning of the website.

From: Nassim Nouri

Subject: GPCA Website & Platform Gap Analysis

Date: January 24, 2018 at 5:59:17 PM PST

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

Cc: gpc-it@cagreens.org

Dear GPCA Coordinating Committee,

Please find attached the GPCA Website & Platform Gap Analysis report.

Since I sent the survey during the holidays, we did not receive a huge number of replies but the input from all was detailed and informative. I have also included in the report, a table of survey responses as well as individual recommendations from the IT Committee members.

I hope this exercise can help inform your decision on how to proceed with updating the GPCA website.

Thank you,

Nassim

Nassim Nouri

408-396-5722

nassim1nouri@gmail.com

County Council

Green Party of Santa Clara County

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(15) Proposal: Amendment to Coordinating Committee Internal Procedures - Minutes

Sponsor: Mike Feinstein (10 min)

Background: Some time ago, the Coordinating Committee approved a proposal for Mike Feinstein to go back in the Coordinating Committee's past minutes and add to those minutes, when a Coordinating Committee member had missed three meetings in a row, so that it was clear and transparent when this occurred - and hence when it led to a special election being held to fill that vacancy. This proposal would amend the Coordinating Committee's Internal Procedures regarding the taking of minutes, to include such information going forward.

Proposal: That the Coordinating Committee's Internal Procedures be amended as follows:

From the current text:

Section 3-8 Minutes

3-8.1 Minutes of Coordinating Committee meetings shall consist of the date, time, location (where applicable) and attendance (including when leaving call), any modifications to the agenda, agenda items heard, decisions-taken (including who voted for, against or stood aside) and the text of all proposals, including amendments.

To be amended as follows

Section 3-8 Minutes

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http://www.cagreens.org/committees/coordinating/procedures#Article_III:...

> 3-5.5 The minutes taker for a CC meeting shall record the time of the meeting at which role has been taken and quorum established, and shall also clearly record the time of arrival of any CC member who announces their presence late at the meeting after role has been taken and quorum has been established. The minutes taker shall note if and when a member arriving late has arrived in the midst of the presentation and discussion on a decision item.

(16) Next meeting: March 5, 2018

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===== Appendix A =====

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

From: The GPCA ByLaws Committee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: Feb. 3, 2018

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

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Date of the last ByLaws Committee Meeting:

Sunday, January 21, 2018

Attendees:

Present: Victoria Ashley, Steven Breedlove, Mimi Newton, Gloria Purcell, Adam Siegel, Laura Wells (Quorum present.)

Absent: Mike Feinstein, Tim Laidman

Date of the ByLaws Committee's next regular meeting:

Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Call in number - (515) 739-1271, access code: 753142.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

- Committee members are continuing to work on a Bylaws Template Project for the Counties.
- Committee members are reviewing for form proposed bylaws amendments to go before the next SGA.
- Committee members are drafting bylaws amendment to correct all references to Standing GENERAL Assembly rather than Standing GREEN Assembly. The Committee intends to sponsor this amendment for the upcoming SGA Vote.
- Committee members are continuing to work on the draft work plan for submission to the Finance Committee after the February Bylaws Committee meeting.

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===== Appendix B =====

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Meeting minutes for 1/10 Clearinghouse Mtg

Next meeting Feb 7th, 3 - 4:30pm (First Wednesday of each month)

Dial 605-472-5412 - Access code: 408531

Members Present: Brian Good, Michael Rubin, Greg Vara, Nassim Nouri, Maxine Daniel, Brett Dixon

Members Absent: None – we have quorum.

Facilitator: Mica

Notes: Nassim

Time keeper: Greg

1. Next meeting Feb 7th, 3 - 4:30pm (First Wednesday of each month)

2. Information Update from CC liaison on Greg Varra application to CH (Mica - 2 min)

Greg has been appointed to Clearinghouse. WELCOME Greg!

3. Discussion / Decision Review CH Work 2018 Plan, budget and Strategic Direction (All - 20 min)

Nassim reviewed draft of the CH strategic plan with the team. Team approved the plan as is, but any additions and edits can be send to Nassim, this is a living document and will be adjusted as projects cycle in and out. *Laura Wells later emailed a suggestion to change the project/budget cycle to June 2017-July 2018 to match the GPCA budget cycle. Nassim will also review printing costs, update plan and send CH the new version.

4. Discussion / Decision Q1 activities proposal (Nassim, All - 20 min)

- Implement a CH E-library downloadable page on GPCA website
- Create a literature E-library of collateral along with bilingual and translated versions: create a printed version of the Spanish trifold, create a Spanish translation of the GPCA contact card
- Complete the outline (or possibly first draft) of the County Council Greens Handbook
- Set up literature shipping and sharing process – (shipping costs should be added to the budget)
- Recruit active members or volunteers to contribute content for literature
- Finalize CH Committee Handbook including CH process for backups for directing all incoming communications
- Work with IT to get training on NationBuilder to use it as a platform for future communications
- Reorder GPCA trifold and also possibly order the Spanish version
- Budget = \$800

CH members reviewed and affirmed this list of activities. Nassim later reviewed the budget and it will amply cover shipping charges for the

literature later reimbursement.

5. Information / Discussion Update on Trifold Spanish version (Brett - 1 min) – In review by Rohan (author)

6. Information / Discussion Report on NB access and setting up training (Nassim - 2 min), Nassim will ask Colt for a date.

7. Discussion / Decision Updated GPCA-CH listserve (Nassim - 1 min) Nassim has completed this.

8. Discussion FAQ content suggestions (ALL - 5 min) – All to send input to Michael

9. Discussion / Decision proposal for updates to CH bylaws sections (Nassim - 10 min) deferred to Feb meeting.

10. Information Review action items from last month. (All - 2 min) – All done

11. Information New action items. (All - 2 min)

Jan. New Action items (All)

- ALL to share their ideas about what to include in the FAQ document – All to share ideas w/ team

- Nassim to share the outline for the County Council handbook – still in the works

- Nassim will update the 2018 work plan as per Laura's suggestion & costs and send CH the new version.

- Brett to send an offer to GROW to make new leafy-G logos with Omnes font for any county – will slightly tune the logo with Nassim before sending offer.

- Greg to share a list of topics that would have facilitated re/activating his chapter , will work with Nassim

12. Appendix - please refer to Nassim's email (12/18 4:08pm) for CH 2018 Work Plan

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===== Appendix C =====

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ERWG Call Minutes – 1/29/18 6:30 p.m.

Present: Only Ann Menasche and Carol A. Bouldin on the call tonight due to some difficulty with scheduling

Discussed Stop Top Two ballot initiative. A couple of weeks ago Carol spoke with Jeanne Llewellyn, the woman who spoke at the Ventura GA regarding Stop Top Two, as well as a local San Bernardino county coordinator, and Tom Palzer, the state coordinator for the initiative. All three assured Carol that despite some contributors not following through as expected, the push to get signatures for the initiative are in full swing and that they are committed to get it on the ballot—Tom stated he has invested a lot of his own money so really wants to see it through. Said he really needs our help with signature-gathering. Carol has gotten several petitions completed and will be sending them to him and he has sent a packet of blank forms to her. Tom will be collecting all the completed petitions and turning them in; he stated that he will send blank forms to anyone who requests them. Palzer's contact information is: Foundation to Stop Top 2, P. O. Box 2413, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729. Phone is 909-913-9500.

Discussed proposal to Coordinating Committee to seek point people in each county to distribute/collect petitions, send them to Tom Palzer, and obtain more blank forms for signature gathering.

Hope to pursue Eric's suggestion re Connecticut law next phone call.

Next call scheduled for February 12, 2018 at 7 p.m.

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===== Appendix D =====

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January Finance Committee Meeting - Report

Thursday January 25th, 2018, 8 – 9:00 pm

Dial-in Number: (515) 604-9861

Access Code: 616301*

ATTENDEES:

Victoria Ashley – Liaison, Co-co (8/8/2016 - 8/2018)

Maxine (Mica) Daniel – Co-co (1/23/2016-1/2018)

Ruscal Cayangyang – Treasurer (6/2017-6/2019)

Bob Marsh – (2/2017 – 2/2019)

ABSENT:

Quinton Crawford – (9/2017-9/2019)

Tim Laidman – (1/2016-1/2018)

Frank Lambert – (9/2017-9/2019)

- Treasurer Updates:

* Semi-annual FPPC form 460 and FEC Year End report have been submitted on time

* The process of amending previous reports from 2017 with errors leading to an incorrect negative balance, have started.

* Bank account balances:

Travis account balance: \$1,747.58

OneUnited account balance: \$13,866.81

* Fines paid:

A portion of the fines have been from 2013 & 2015

- During the meeting the committee members discussed with the Treasurer the draft reports he was working on at that time.
- Finance Co-Co has also sent out requests for Budget and Work plans for 2018
- Next Meeting: Thursday, Feb 22nd
- Meeting Adjourned 9:30 pm

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===== Appendix E =====

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Fundraising Committee Meeting January 22, 2018

Present: Eric Brooks, Eric Luna, Erik Rydberg, Colt Gonzales, Deatra Cohen

Quorum reached with over 50% members present

Facilitator: Colt

Note Taker: Deatra

ACTION ITEM: Colt will follow up with Sadie re: tags on Nationbuilder tracing origins of donor source (e.g. Facebook, website, etc.)

ACTION ITEM: Colt will ask Victoria about past GPCA fundraising practices

ACTION ITEM: Deatra will write draft advertisement to hire a temporary fundraiser to make calls to GPCA membership

ACTION ITEM: Deatra will email Ruscal and ask him to contact his colleague with questions concerning hiring him/her as a fundraising consultant

ACTION ITEM: Erik R will get a hold of David about current list of GP candidates in CA

ACTION ITEM: Colt will reduce word count of intro to candidates letter and add all known candidates

ACTION ITEM: Eric B will check on various web assets access

ACTION ITEM: Eric B, Eric R and Colt will start a Crypto-currency subcommittee for potential donations

ACTION ITEM: Erik R will reach out to Fernando Serrano in Tulare and Adam Siegel, in Yolo (both union activists) re: potential union intersectionality with GPCA

Next meeting of Fundraising Committee: February 26

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===== Appendix F =====

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GROW/Grassroots Organizing Working Group

Monthly report - teleconference notes January 9, 2018

ATTENDEES and ROLES

Anthony Krzywicki (Ventura) - Co-coordinator - TIME KEEPER

Brett Dixon (Alameda)

Carol Bouldin (San Bernardino)

Christine Pepin (Santa Clara)

Erik Rydberg (Butte) - FACILITATOR

Jennifer Hall (San Joaquin)

Josh Jones (Yolo)

Laura Wells (Alameda) - Co-coordinator - NOTES

Lewis Elbinger (Siskiyou)

Richard Gomez (Fresno)

DISCUSSION

- Welcome Packet (Starter Kit): Anthony forwarded bank account set up info to Nassim; working with Ruscal on a step-by-step finance guide for county treasurer
- Step-by-step activation guides.
- Reviewed the updated County Activation Chart
- Fundraising, and how GROW can help, for example, by publicizing achievements, studying the dues model, e.g. county, state and national shares
- Paid organizer when GPCA fundraising is successful
- Coordinate with other committees and working groups more in coming year
- County voter registration drives, workshop/sessions GA GAs, benefits of online vs. alterable paper registrations

ACTION ITEMS

[] Anthony will get Colt Gonzalez' and Steve Breedlove's "County Party Bank Account Setup" into text and send it to GROW list, to be part of

Welcome Packet (Starter Kit)

[] Josh will share bank account setup info with counties (including Imperial) along with pertinent GPCA Bylaws

[] Josh will send his sample of, and work with Clearinghouse on, an announcement card, flyer or poster to lefty cafe's in every county, with contact info

[] Nassim (not on call) may update us next month on Welcome Packet/Starter Kits

[] Richard is working on Merced, and to help with that Edward Pinckney, of Benton Harbor, MI is coming in February to Merced and Fresno counties.

[] Lewis is running for Congress and when possible working to activate Siskiyou, and open a bank account.

[] Deatra will meet with a friend and work on Calaveras County

[] Co-coordinators Laura and Anthony will draft up the Work Plan; Laura will do first cut, send to Anthony, and then to GROW list

NEXT MEETING:

- Tuesday, 2/13/18 @ 7:30pm

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SGA Announcement for GPUS Alternate Delegates Applications (1/16/18)

Dear Green Party members,

This is to announce the application period for candidates for a special election to fill vacancies on the California Delegation to the Green Party of the United States (GPUS), for three Alternate Delegates, for the remainder of the current two-year terms ending June 30, 2019.

(<http://www.cagreens.org/delegation/members>)

The application deadline is on Monday, February 5, 2018 at 11:59 pm. Candidates for the GPUS Alternate Delegates vacancies should please email their applications to applications@cagreens.org.

The email header should be "Application for GPUS Alternate Delegate." Your statement should include (1) your name, city, county, phone number and email address; (2) your vision for serving as an Alternate Delegate; and (3) any relevant prior or current positions, related experience and skills that you can apply to this position. Your resume is sufficient. Please do not send attachments or photos, as these will not be published. You may include a webpage address to provide more information about you.

The candidates will be voted on by the Standing General Assembly (SGA).

The election for 3 GPUS Alternate Delegates will be by Ranked Choice Voting by secret ballot, with a No Other Candidate option. The six-week discussion period is from Monday, February 12 through Sunday, March 25, 2018. Voting is from Monday, March 26 through Sunday, April 1, 2018.

The Duties and Responsibilities of the GPUS Delegation are described in the GPCA bylaws here: http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Article_12_Delegates_to_the_Green_Party_of_the_United_States

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Maxine Daniel, Female Co-Coordinator

& Bert Heuer, Male Co-Coordinator

GPCA Coordinating Committee

References:

Bylaws Section 7-6., Standing Green Assembly

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_7-6_Standi ng_General_Assembly)

7-6.2 The following decision items shall automatically be placed before the Standing General Assembly.

7-6.2(e) Election of the GPUS Delegation (secret ballot);

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Article_12_Delegates_to_the_Green_Party_of_the_United_States

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SGA Announcement for CC Applications (1/15/18)

Notice of Vacancy and Call for Candidate Submissions to fill vacated male seat on GPCA Coordinating Committee

Dear Friend --

This is to announce a call for candidates for a special election to fill one vacated male seat on the GPCA Coordinating Committee (CC) for the remainder of the two-year CC term originally running from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

(There are no vacant female seats on the GPCA CC. There are currently 12 female CC members and 11 male CC members.)

To apply, a candidate must submit an application to applications@cagreens.org The application deadline is Monday, February 5, 2018 at 11:59pm.

The application must include a biography along with what the candidate wishes to accomplish on the Coordinating Committee. Do not submit attachments. Please do not send photos, as these will not be published. You may include a webpage address to provide more information about you.

Those interested should review the Coordinating Committee's duties and authorities at:

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Article_8._Coordinating_Committee

As per GPCA Bylaws, elections will be by the Standing General Assembly (SGA), with a six-week discussion period from Monday, February 12 through Sunday, March 25, followed by a one-week vote from Monday, March 26 through Sunday, April 1.

The Coordinating Committee election will be by Instant Runoff Voting / Ranked Choice Voting by secret ballot, with a No Other Candidate option.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mica Daniels and Bert Heuer

Co-coordinator(s), GPCA Coordinating Committee

Bylaws References:

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Article_8._Coordinating_Committee and

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_8-4_Elections at 8-4.5

http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_7-6_Standing_General_A...

7-6.2 The following decision items shall automatically be placed before the Standing General Assembly.

7-6.2(d) Election of the Coordinating Committee (secret ballot)

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Proposal - Decision Item: Approve a Statement of Findings/Bylaws Interpretation to establish process for GPCA endorsements of statewide candidates in June 2018 Primary

Sponsor: June Brashares, CC liaison to CCWG

Background and Purpose:

The CCWG at its meeting on January 28th, 2018, approved a proposal requesting this action.

The CCWG requests the GPCA Coordinating Committee take the necessary action (approve a statement of findings / bylaws interpretation) to bring an endorsement proposal to the Standing General Assembly (SGA), to make endorsements in statewide races in advance of the June 2018 Primary. This endorsement process would be included in the next SGA (discussion period begins February 12) and would state that all Green candidates who have pulled papers to run for statewide offices in California *and* who have officially *qualified* to be candidates on the CA primary ballot by the time of the SGA vote (voting period starting March 26th), will be on the SGA ballot for endorsement. "No position" will be an option.

The endorsement process will be voided if the SGA votes against the CC's findings (bylaws interpretation) that would have enabled the endorsements.

The CC's statement of findings, that would clarify the extraordinary circumstances and their significance for the GPCA, can include mention of the current Top Two primary system for statewide office.

Since the implementation of the Top Two primary system in California in 2012, political party primaries have been eliminated. Under the current Top Two system, it is highly unlikely that any Green Party candidate will appear on the statewide general election ballot. Therefore the GPCA has been making endorsements for Greens running in statewide races prior to the primary, and the GPCA has done so via the SGA since 2014.

The Coordinating Committee on the November 6, 2017, teleconference discussed the CC's intent to have a SGA endorsement process to determine endorsements of statewide candidates in the June 2018 primary.

Proposal: Approve the following Statement of Findings / Bylaws Interpretation to bring an endorsement process to the Standing General Assembly (SGA), to determine endorsements of Green candidates in statewide races for the June 2018 Primary.

Bylaws Interpretation to Establish Process for GPCA endorsements in June 2018 primary

Whereas the June 2018 primary elections are operating under the Top Two primary system for statewide office, a system under which it is highly unlikely that any Green Party candidate (or candidate from any other smaller, ballot-qualified party) will appear on the statewide general election ballot; and

Whereas the existing GPCA procedures governing endorsements in statewide races were passed at the June 2006 Ventura General Assembly (<http://www.cagreens.org/elections/endorsement-procedures>) and were designed for general election endorsements under the prior system, under which the Green Party primary election winner automatically appeared on the general election ballot; and

Whereas at the same time, these same procedures governing endorsements state that in special circumstances, the Coordinating Committee can approve a statement of findings to clarify under which special circumstances a primary election endorsement should be held, and that "an endorsement procedure would be brought before the GPCA."; and

Whereas while existing GPCA rules governing endorsements permit endorsing in Green Party primaries in special circumstances (<http://www.cagreens.org/elections/endorsement-procedures>), under the Top Two primary system, there is no longer a Green Party primary (or other party primary) but only a single non-partisan primary with candidates from all parties running against each other, meaning there will be no primary election held among Green Party members to choose the party's nominees; and

Whereas the criteria for awarding Campaign Support Funds (<http://www.cagreens.org/committees/campaign-support/criteria>) includes a requirement that any candidate to be considered for such fund must be endorsed by their county party (for a non-statewide race) or the state party (for a statewide race); and

Whereas endorsements of statewide candidates are made by the Standing General Assembly, according to GPCA Bylaws 7-6.2 Decision Items (http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_7-6_Standing_General_A...) which state "The following decision items shall automatically be placed before the Standing General Assembly": 7-6.2(b) Endorsements of statewide candidates (secret ballot); and

Whereas GPCA Bylaws 7-4 Endorsements (http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_7-4_Endorsements) state that "A GPCA position to endorse or oppose shall require 2/3."; and

Therefore the Coordinating Committee approves this statement of findings and interprets GPCA Bylaws under 13-3

(http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Article_13-3_Bylaws_Interpreta...) that the findings above establish the special circumstances under which the GPCA should make endorsements in the statewide races in the June 2018 Top Two primary election, and Whereas there are no existing party rules governing specifically how and which candidates shall be placed before the Standing General Assembly for endorsement; and

Whereas in the case of the party's presidential preference primary ballot - which is not a Top Two primary - under GPCA Rules and Procedures 1-5 (http://www.cagreens.org/rules#Section_1-5_Decision-Making), the GPCA's GPUS Delegation and the GPCAs Campaigns and Candidates Working Group (CCWG) may make recommendations to the GPCA General Assembly for approval by the General Assembly for recommendation to the California Secretary for State for inclusion on the GPCA's presidential primary ballot up to ten days before the General Assembly; and

Whereas the CCWG on January 28th approved a proposal that the endorsement process state that "all Green candidates who have officially qualified to be candidates on the CA primary ballot by the time of the SGA vote be on the SGA ballot for endorsement"; and

Therefore, the Coordinating Committee finds that it is appropriate for both the Coordinating Committee and the Campaigns and Candidates Working Group to have the authority to recommend consideration of endorsement by the Standing General Assembly for all Green Party candidates who have officially qualified to be on the June 2018 Primary ballot for any/all 2018 statewide offices; and

Whereas an upcoming Standing General Assembly is scheduled to begin its discussion period on Monday February 12 running through Sunday, March 25, with the voting to begin Monday, March 26 and run through Sunday, April 1; and

Whereas the viable candidates for statewide office (those who officially qualify to appear on the Primary ballot) will be determined after the discussion period begins;

Therefore the endorsement process 6 week SGA discussion period will be timed to the upcoming Standing General Assembly beginning on Monday February 12 and running through Sunday, March 25, and during the discussion period the eligible candidates will be narrowed down from all declared candidates to only those Green Party candidates who will have officially qualified to be on the June Primary ballot by the time of the SGA voting to begin Monday, March 26 and run through Sunday, April 1.

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Political Party Statement of Purpose

For those interested, the existing 2016 statement (below) can be modified and should be discussed before our February 5th meeting. Or we could create a whole new statement.

If you would like to revise it and have the time, please post your thoughts. I personally think this might be best done with a small working group. There is a 200 word limit and the deadline is Feb 15th.

A list of past ballot statements for the GPCA and for candidates for office is here: <http://www.cagreens.org/elections/ballot-statements>

The statements of purpose from all the parties on the ballot are here: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/political-parties/party-statements/>

Green Party

The Green Party supports viable solutions to our greatest challenges, from climate change and drought, to historic income and wealth inequality.

In California, 70 Greens hold elected office. Voting Green means rejection of austerity against the poor, and support for equity, justice and sustainability. A Green Party government will mean:

GREEN ENERGY FUTURE

- A Solar California, with energy efficiency, conservation and publicly-owned safe, clean renewable energy
- Fossil fuel taxes, public transit, eco-cities
- Closing Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant

DROUGHT

- Protecting and replenishing our groundwater and aquifers
- Harvesting rainwater, embracing greywater
- Water efficiency and conservation

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

- Ending poverty through green living wage jobs, affordable housing, single-payer health care, workers' rights and food security for all
- A publicly-owned state bank to invest in California instead of Wall Street
- Education instead of incarceration, and tuition-free public college/university, by reforming Proposition 13 and progressive taxation

JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM

- Black Lives Matter, police accountability, gun control/safety
- Abolishing the death penalty, ending private prisons, a moratorium on prison construction
- Legalizing marijuana

ELECTORAL REFORM

- Eliminating corporate money through publicly-financed elections
- More democracy and fuller representation through proportional representation for state legislature and Congress, and ranked choice voting for statewide executive office
- Overturning Top Two

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Bylaws Interpretation: Special election to fill three Alternate positions on the GPUS Delegation

Whereas the GPCA's timeline for Standing General Assembly applications, discussion and voting is based upon the practice of predictable communications via the GPCA's email lists, web pages, voting pages and the GPCA Inform list; and

Whereas in April 2017, the GPCA's switch to Liquid Web hosting services destabilized the GPCA's email lists, meaning information normally sent to those lists did not get sent; and

Whereas traditional GPCA practice has been to disseminate during the application period, the SGA voting page links on which the CC and GPUS Delegation elections would be held, showing which candidates have applied up to that point, providing that information to potential applicants; and

Whereas during April 2017 because of the GPCA's email list problems, these links and this information was not able to be made widely available; and

Whereas in the past GPCA members used this information to decide whether to run for GPUS Delegate or Alternate; and

Whereas in April 2017 an unprecedented number of applications for were received for GPUS Delegation (22 for 13 seats), while fewer

applications were received than seats for GPUS Delegation Alternate (nine for 12 seats); and
Whereas in past years, when armed with the information about who was running for which seats, applicants generally spread out over both the Delegate and Alternate seats to maximize the overall number of Greens elected to the Delegation, while in 2017 only 22 seats were filled when filing 25 seats was possible;
Therefore the GPCA shall hold a special election to fill the remaining three Alternate seats for the remainder of the July 2017 to July 2019 term, and that any GPCA member who correctly follows the application process may qualify for the ballot.

gpca-cc mailing list
gpca-cc@lists.cagreens.org
http://lists.cagreens.org/listinfo/gpca-cc_lists.cagreens.org

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GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING - DRAFT MINUTES

January 8, 2018
7:30PM to 9:30PM

Conference Call number: (605) 472-5760
Access code: 498356
Web interface: <https://www.freeconferencecallhd.com/dialer>
To use web interface, go to weblink, follow instructions there;
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green call button & enter Access Code: 498356#)

(01) Roll call (2 min)
There are currently 23 committee members. This means quorum is a simple majority of 12.

Victoria Ashley, Alternate Co-Coordinator
Doug Barnett
Marla Bernstein
June Brashares
Eric Brooks
Susan Chunco
Deatra Cohen
Maxine Daniel, Co-Coordinator
Angelica Duenas
Sanda Everette
Mike Feinstein
Sadie Fulton
Mike Goldbeck
Bert Heuer, Co-Coordinator
Tarik Kanaana
Eric Luna
Ann Menasche
Mike Murphy
Mimi Newton
Ajay Rai
Erik Rydberg
Laura Wells
Stephen Zollman

CC Members Present (14): Doug Barnett,* Marla Bernstein, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Susan Chunco, Deatra Cohen, Maxine Daniel, Mike Feinstein, Eric Luna, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells, Stephen Zollman.

Quorum at 7:39 pm.

Members who joined later:

- Victoria Ashley joined the call at 7:40 pm.
- Sadie Fulton joined the call at 7:41 pm.
- Ajay Rai joined the call at 7:42 pm.
- Angelika Duenas joined the call at 7:44 pm.
- Sanda Everette joined the call at 7:59 pm.

CC Members Absent (4, but see *) Mike Goldbeck, Bert Heuer, Tarik Kanaana, Ann Menasche

* Doug Barnett considered 5th absent CC member for this meeting since he did not remain on the call long enough to have been considered present - see roll call notes between Items #10b and 11 below.

(02) Roles (2 min)

Facilitator: June Brashares
Minutes taker: Mimi Newton
Time keeper: Eric Brooks
Vibes Watcher: Deatra Cohen

Approved by consensus.

(03) Approval of agenda (2 min)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel, Bert Heuer

Proposal: Approve the agenda (draft II sent to CC by Vic Ashley on 1/7/18 at 9:41 pm)

Late items will be taken up after the regular agenda.

Eric Brooks will pull his item # 12.

A question was raised about the difference in the original agenda and the latest version. The answer was that there were Committee appointments, reordering of Items and some things were fleshed out.

Mike Feinstein asked why his item can't be voted on as part of regular agenda - answer is that late Items will be voted on after regular agenda approval.

Mike Feinstein will stand aside for the moment - he states that the process seems backwards and that he will send his concerns to note taker but this is non-controversial. [N.B. The note taker received no information about concerns from Mike on this issue as of 1/26/18.]

Regular agenda approved by consensus.

Late Items - Setting a CC Calendar:

Mike Feinstein states that the Bylaws require we set a CC calendar and he posted a draft. Requests we hear the item after appointments.
Proposal is to add this as a new item 10.b.

Approved by consensus

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

Sponsor: Bert Heuer, Mica Daniel

Proposal: Approve the minutes for the December 4, 2017 meeting as recorded by Ann Menasche

Reference: Email with draft Minutes, as revised, was sent by Mimi Newton on behalf of Ann Menasche on 1/8/18 at 6:29 pm (Reflected here at Appendix K).

There was a discussion about whether we should vote on the Minutes given the late emails about them.

Outstanding concerns about approval of Minutes by Mike Feinstein, Ajay Rai and Eric Brooks. Mike is not willing to stand aside.

Mica (as sponsor) - pulling the item, which we will reagendize for the February CC meeting.

(05) Announcement: Consent Calendar (2 minutes)

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:

Bylaws (Appendix A)

Clearinghouse (Appendix B)

Fundraising (Appendix C) (Joint Meeting with Finance Committee)

GROW (Appendix D)

IT (Appendix E)

The following committees did not send reports:

ERWG

Media

Platform

CCWG

Campaign Funding Support

State Meeting Planning

Approved by Consensus.

(06) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Greg Varra (Ventura County) to the Clearinghouse Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Laura Wells

Background and Purpose: Greg Varra is applying to the Clearinghouse Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Greg Varra's application to be appointed to the Clearinghouse Committee.

Application: Appendix F

No questions.

Mike Feinstein - Affirmation that he is no-nonsense, results-oriented person.

No concerns.

Approved by consensus.

(07) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Steve Breedlove to the Bylaw Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Mimi Newton

Background and Purpose: Steve Breedlove is applying to the Bylaw Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Steve Breedlove's application to be appointed to the Bylaws Committee.

Application: Appendix G

SusanChunco - there was a typo in the proposal. (Fixed.)

Erik Rydberg - Affirmation - Steve has been very active in helping Counties set up Bylaws & he's a master!

No concerns.

Approved by consensus.

(08) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Eric Luna to the IT Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton

Background and Purpose: Eric Luna is applying to the IT Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Eric Luna's application to be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Application: Appendix H

There was a discussion about the qualifications needed for the IT Committee and it was suggested that we need people who can manage and maintain the technical infrastructure of our sites. Others offered affirmations of Eric Luna's qualifications.

A question arose about how many vacancies there are currently on the IT Committee. There are currently 8 Members with one term ending Jan. 2018.

Ajay Rai - A content provider is not what we need and two other people could help out and Eric Luna can participate on the committee and would have wanted to see more about his skills than what is in his application.

Eric Luna - talks about his experience with technical management/maintenance and answers Ajay's questions about coding, database servers, etc.

Ajay - outstanding concern - not willing to stand aside.

A vote by the CC on the proposed appointment of Eric Luna to the IT Committee followed:

YES VOTES (14): Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Deatra Cohen, Susan Chunco, Maxine Daniel, Angelica Duenas, Sadie Fulton, Eric Luna, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells, Stephen Zollman

NO VOTES (2): Mike Feinstein, Ajay Rai

ABSTENTIONS (1): Sanda Everette

NOT PRESENT FOR VOTE (6): Doug Barnett - no answer (as of 8:19), Marla Bernstein - no answer (as of 8:19), Mike Goldbeck, Bert Heuer, Tarik Kanaana, Ann Menasche

The proposal passes (majority needed per CC Internal Procedure 6-4 [amended 4/2017]).

(09) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Gloria Bram (Orange County) to the Finance Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel

Background and Purpose: Gloria Bram is applying to the Finance Committee per her application below.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and make a decision on Gloria Bram's application to be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Application: Appendix I

A discussion regarding whether or not to appoint Gloria ensued, where some people offered affirmations and others expressed concerns.

Outstanding concerns - Erik Rydberg is not willing to stand aside.

A vote by the CC on the proposed appointment of Gloria Bram to the Finance Committee followed:

YES VOTES (5): Marla Bernstein (8:35 pm), Susan Chunco, Sanda Everette, Mike Feinstein, Ajay Rai,

NO VOTES (12): Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Deatra Cohen, Maxine Daniel, Sadie Fulton, Eric Luna, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells, Stephen Zollman

ABSTENTIONS (0).

NOT PRESENT FOR VOTE (6): Doug Barnett - no answer (no answer as of 8:35), Angelica Duenas - (no answer as of 8:35 pm), Mike Goldbeck, Bert Heuer, Tarik Kanaana, Ann Menasche

The proposal fails (majority needed per CC Internal Procedure 6-4 [amended 4/2017]).

Comment from Mike Feinstein - Expects and recommends the CC invite Committee applicants to CC calls in the future when they are not on the CC.

(10) Decision: Appointment of Stephen Zollman CC male Co-Coordinator Alternate (10 min)

Sponsor: Eric Brooks

Background and Purpose: Stephen Zollman is applying for CC male Co-Coordinator Alternate per his application below.

Proposal: To appointment Stephen Zollman as CC male Co-Coordinator Alternate

Application: Appendix J

A discussion regarding whether or not to appoint Stephen ensued, where some people offered affirmations and others expressed concerns, relating to process, mostly. The CC was reminded that the appointment of Co-Coordinator and Alternate Co-Coordinator is usually done at the Annual CC Retreat. But, the CC failed to schedule a CC retreat and that discussion is best held in a face to face meeting at the retreat.

A series of questions were posed to the candidate and answered.

[Mike Feinstein appears to have dropped off the call - word comes in that he is still listening but unable to be heard.]

Outstanding concerns:

Ajay Rai - did not hear any information about Stephen and is concerned about his inexperience. Willing to stand aside.

Proposal to appoint Stephen Zollman as Alternate Male Co-Coordinator to the CC is approved by consensus.

Item 10B

Proposal: Approve annual Coordinating Committee meeting schedule

Sponsor: Mike Feinstein

Time Requested: Ten minutes - and held early enough on the agenda so that it is ensured that a schedule is set

Background: GPCA Bylaws Section 8-3 Meetings (http://www.cagreens.org/bylaws/2016-07-03#Section_8-3_Meetings) states:

8-3.1 Regular Coordinating Committee meetings shall be held at least once a month. On an annual basis, the Coordinating Committee shall establish a regular monthly meeting date, with exceptions to that date made for national holidays, elections or other special circumstances. During the course of the year, the Coordinating Committee may amend this schedule, as long as the date and time are set at least 20 days in advance; and additional regular meetings in a given month may be scheduled with at least 20 days notice by a majority vote of the Coordinating Committee, or by a determination of the Coordinating Committee Co-coordinators. A quorum for all regular Coordinating Committee meetings shall be a majority of the currently seated members.

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The clear exceptions below are

January 8 (moved because of New Years Day)

June 11 (moved because of June 5 primary)

September 10 (moved because of Labor Day)

To debate is whether or not

July 9 (after 4th of July)

If we wait until the 9th, people can have the long 4th of July weekend, because the 4th is on a Wednesday. The GPUS Annual National Meeting will likely be

November 12 (moved because of Nov 6 general election)

There is a Nov 6 general election in CA. Normally that would mean moving the Coordinating Committee meeting to the following Monday. However because of Top Two election, it is unlikely any partisan Green candidate will be on the Nov 6 general election ballot. However the Coordinating Committee may want to wait to meet until after the elections anyway. There could also be a GPCA General Assembly during November or December that may come into play.

Proposal: That the Coordinating Committee approved the following schedule

January 8 (moved because of New Years Day)
February 5
March 5
April 2
May 7
June 11 (moved because of June 5 primary)
July 9 (moved because of the 4th of July)
August 6
September 10 (moved because of Labor Day)
October 1
November 12 (moved because of Nov 6 general election)
December 3

Eric Brooks likes the timeline proposed.
June reads out schedule days that would be different.

No questions or concerns.
Approved by consensus.

Roll call because of technical issues-
Victoria Ashley -here
Doug Barnett - no answer
Marla Bernstein - here
June Brashares - here
Eric Brooks - here
Susan Chunco - here
Deatra Cohen- here
Mica Daniels - here
Angelika Duenas - no answer
Sanda Everette - here
Mike Feinstein - On the call but we cannot hear him.
Sadie Fulton - here
Mike Goldbeck - absent
Bert Heuer - absent
Tarik Kanaana - absent
Eric Luna - here
Ann Menasche - absent
Mike Murphy-here
Mimi Newton - here
Ajay Rai- here
Erik Rydberg - here
Laura Wells -here
Stephen Zollman -here

According to the timekeeper, Doug Barnett dropped off the call too soon to be counted towards being in attendance. But, Angelika was on the line for well over an hour per timekeeper.

(11) Discussion: Status of Nationbuilder and Reminder to Submit Input to GPCA IT Team on GPCA Website (5 minutes)

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley

Background and Purpose: New IT Committee members are working to make decisions on the GPCA website and are requesting input from GPCA members.

Proposal: That the CC discuss and review questions, concerns and thoughts on the current status and planning of the website.

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

From: Nassim Nouri

Date: Fri, Dec 22, 2017 at 6:14 PM

Subject: [gpca-cc] GPCA IT team needs your help - please send your input by 1/10

To: gpca-it@cagreens.org, GPCA Coordinating Committee , GROW , GPCA Media Committee

Cc: Brett Dixon , Nicole Montoya , Tim Laidman , Colt Gonzales

Dear CA Greens,

The IT committee would appreciate your input on the design, usability and effectiveness of our GPCA website cagreens.org

We are performing a gap analysis with the three questions below, to help us determine how we can improve the site content, structure and design.

Please reply to this message with your responses by 1/10 at the latest.

Please state your lists of five (or more) as brief phrases so we can tabulate everyone's input accurately.

You can elaborate on your responses in a concluding paragraph in your reply.

- List your top 5 (or more) gaps, problems, issues or missing features of the current website
- List your top 5 (or more) must-have and must-keep current features
- Describe your most typical experience with the current website in the last year; (negative or positive, technical or user experience)

Let me know if you have any questions before 12/24, I will be out of town 12/24 - 1/10.

Thank you very much for your help in providing your input,

Happy Holidays.

Nassim

Nassim Nouri

[redacted]

County Council

Green Party of Santa Clara County

WITHDRAWN - (12) Decision: A new rule for Coordinating Committee procedures limiting the number of times that a failed proposal can be agendized for subsequent CC calls. (10 min)

Sponsor: Eric Brooks

Background and Purpose:

Proposal: To create new rule for Coordinating Committee procedures limiting the number of times that a failed proposal can be agendized for subsequent CC calls

Reference: TBD

(13) Next meeting: February 5, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

[Minutes submitted by Mimi Newton to the CC in draft on 1/26/18.]

JANUARY 2018 MINUTES APPENDICES A through K:

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Appendix A =====

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Monthly Bylaws Committee Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee – December 2017

From: The GPCA Bylaws Committee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: Jan. 1, 2018

Submitted By: Mimi Newton, Co-Co Bylaws Committee

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Date of the last Bylaws Committee Meeting: Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017

Attendees:

Committee Members Present (6): Adam Siegel, Laura Wells, Gloria Purcell, Mimi Newton, Mike Feinstein, Tim Laidman (Quorum = 4 members present).

Other Greens Present (1): Steve Breedlove.

Committee Members Absent (1): Vic Ashley.

Date of the next By-Laws Committee Meeting Conference Call (regular meeting):

Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Call in number - (515) 739-1271, access code: 753142.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

-- Members of the Committee, are working on the annual Strategic Plan for the Committee, which will be submitted to the Finance

Committee in January.

— Committee Members are continuing to work on our Bylaws Template for Counties project.

— Although still a Committee Member, Vic Ashley has resigned as the Co-Coordinator of the Bylaws Committee. Adam Siegel was elected Co-Coordinator of the Bylaws Committee by consensus.

— Members of the Committee discussed the anticipated roll-out of an SGA Vote in Feb. 2018 to call for the election of a Male CC Candidate, the election of GPUS Alternate Delegates for the remaining terms of three open positions and its associated bylaws interpretation, as well as approval of Minutes from the Sacramento GA. We discussed as well a number of other proposals that may be included in that SGA Vote, about which we plan to provide a further, more complete update in our next Monthly Bylaws Committee Report.

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December Clearinghouse Report

The Clearinghouse Committee meets the 1st Wednesday of every month

Next Meeting: JANUARY 10TH. 2018

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Call in number: 605 472 5412

Access Code 408531

Present: Mica Daniel(CC-Liasion), Brett Dixon, Nassim Nouri(co-co), Miacheal Rubin, and Greg Varra.

Facilitator: Michael Rubin

Notetaker: Nassim Nouri

Timekeeper: Brett Dixon

Vibes: All

These are the action items that we will discuss at our January meeting.

Mica to check our bylaws for use of FB for communications

- ALL to share their ideas about what to include in the FAQ document
- Michael to draft a piece on the lesser of 2 evil/spoiler myth
- Nassim to share resources for the above topic with Michael- done
- Nassim to draft a 2018 Plan and collect input from CH and GROW
- Nassim to talk with Erik about a training video project - done
- Nassim to share the outline for the County Council handbook
- Brett to make the Spanish trifold version and share with CH for review
- Brett to send an offer to GROW to make new leafy-G logos with Omnus font for any county
- Greg to share a list of topics that would have facilitated re/activating his chapter

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===== Appendix C =====
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Fundraising Committee Report

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: Jan. 1, 2018

Submitted By: Deatra Cohen, Co-Co Fundraising Committee

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Date of the last Fundraising Committee Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017

Attendees:

Committee Members Present (6): Eric Brooks, Deatra Cohen, Colt Gonzales, Eric Luna, Erik Rydberg, Frank Lambert (Quorum = 4 members present).

Other Greens Present (3): Mica Daniels, Ruscal Cayangyang, Bob Marsh

Committee Members Absent (1): Vic Ashley

Date of the next Fundraising Committee Meeting Conference Call (regular meeting):

Monday, Jan. 22 at 7:00 pm

A good portion of meeting was spent getting updated by Finance Committee and Treasurer.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

-- Erik Rydberg presented New Years ReVolution fundraising letter which was unanimously approved by committee and later sent on New Years Eve via Nation Builder with Sadie Fulton's help

— Ruscal gave update on Finance Committee

— Colt will check with IT on status of Rally's primary donations collection status

— Eric B or Colt will ask Sadie which buttons on which sites are active gpca donations buttons linked to current Paypal and/or other accounts

we have access to.

- Rusal will find out what current GA goal for fundraising is so committee can see how far behind we are and what we need to raise.
- Rusal will ask colleague about his/her charges for fundraising contracting to expertise in phonebanking estimates and street corner canvassing
- Mica will search for previous job description in archives for fundraiser
- Eric will ask Media Committee if there are Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Youtube, Patreon, other social media accounts for gpca
- Colt will ask Media Committee if there are Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Youtube, Patreon, other social media accounts for gpca
- Colt will ask Sadie about possible text blast re: fundraising to all CA registered greens
- Committee will read drafts of potential donation letters to discuss on email in days ahead

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===== Appendix D =====
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GROW - Grassroots Organizing Working Group
Monthly Report submitted for CC agenda of January 8, 2018

GROW teleconference December 12, 2017

ATTENDEES and ROLES

Brett Dixon, Alameda County
Carol Bouldin, San Bernardino County (FACILITATOR)
John Schmit, Stanislaus County
Laura Wells, Alameda County (GROW Co-coordinator) (NOTES)
Lewis Elbinger, Siskiyou County
Richard Gomez, Fresno County

Tried to get on the call, but were told there would be a charge:

Audra Walton, Monterey
Shannel Pittman, Los Angeles

DISCUSSION

- Setting up a better teleconference process so that participants never get charged
- ERWG/Electoral Reform Working Group report about the Stop Top Two initiative planning and HR3057, which introduces IRV and PR for congressional elections
- Checking whether Rusal's presentation on county finances (Ventura General Assembly) could be put on paper; there was a handout on steps to set up bank account
- 2018-2019 Work Plan requirements is due in January
- Discussed outreach to neighboring counties and updating the County Activation Chart
- Discussed voter registration drives in various counties, for example Humboldt County's idea of setting a goal to make the Green Party the second largest party in registration in the county

NEXT MEETING:

- Tuesday, 1/9/18 @ 7:30pm, 712-770-4700, Code 626116#
- Please check reminder email; we're trying to change the teleconference set up to avoid possible charges.
- AGENDA TO INCLUDE:
 - - - Work Plan for 7/1/18 to 6/30/19, due late January 2018
 - - - Updates on reaching out to counties; county finance write-up; etc.

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===== Appendix E =====
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IT committee website assessment project report

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

From: Nassim Nouri
Date: Fri, Dec 22, 2017 at 2:30 PM
Subject: [gpca-cc] IT committee website assessment project
To: GPCA Coordinating Committee
Cc: Brett Dixon , **Nicole Montoya** , **Tim Laidman** , **Colt Gonzales**

Dear GPCA Coordinating Committee

The IT Committee discussed the CC's request for the GPCA website review at our 12/18 meeting.

As IT is charged with implementing any changes to the website, the committee has defined what we as a team propose for the mandate and

scope of this website review.

We have agreed to perform a gap assessment as opposed to a detailed requirements document (since we already have a website). This assessment includes a 15-day period for collecting input on gaps / needs/ must-haves for the site, and will focus on the technical as well as user experience aspect of the site.

The results will be captured in a short report that outlines gaps and priorities for the website redesign/rebuild with a parallel assessment by the IT Comm regarding the platform that will best address the gaps we identify.

We's like to get input from 2 groups of people:

1 - Those who have been involved with the current website and/or have an IT background. This will include the current IT Committee and the gpc-it@cagreens.org,

2 - Those who are not IT focussed, are new or current users who interact and utilize the site, this includes the coordinating Committee, GROW and Media and possibly our list of current County Councils.

Ideally we would also include a third group, completely unfamiliar with the site as they are the best reflection of how the GPCA is represented by this website. We'll do our best to get input from a few among this group as well.

Stay tuned for the this short survey coming your way.

Thanks you all

Nassim

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===== Appendix F =====
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Application of Greg Varra to be appointed to the Clearinghouse Committee

From: Greg Varra

To: cc@cagreens.org, maxine.daniel@gmail.com

Date: Sat, 9 Dec 2017 19:21:24 -0800

Subject: Clearinghouse Committee Application

Greg Varra - 760.408.6629 greg.varra@gmail.com GreenPartyRivCo@gmail.com

Please accept my application for consideration for Green Party of CA Clearinghouse Committee.

I attended Ventura County's hosting of the General Assembly in November of this year and was inspired to become more involved with state level organizing. My background is in public service and I have always had a passion to advocate for the under served and less privileged who seem to have no voice in today's social and political climate. I am a past registered Green who Green re-entered subsequent the presidential primary of 2016 after working diligently on the Bernie Sanders' campaign. I felt very comfortable with my vote for Jill Stein because her platform and the key values of the Green Party most aligned with my personal values and belief system.

I have since become a council member for the Green Party of Riverside County and have been organizing to grow the party in our region. I would like to expand my service to the state level and feel my organizing and communication skills can be an asset to the Clearinghouse Committee. I feel everyone must do their part in today's political climate and I would like to do mine by first educating myself with Green Party objectives and sharing with others what I have learned. Our only hope is a complete bypass of the failed two corporate parties and the Green Party is just that venue.

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===== Appendix G =====
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Application of Steve Breedlove to be appointed to the Bylaw Committee

From: Steve Breedlove

Date: Tue, Jan 2, 2018 at 10:11 PM

Subject: Bylaw committee vacancy

To: Adam Siegel , Mimi Newton

CC: Laura Wells

Bylaws Co-cos,

After much thought (and a little prodding), I've decided I'd like to be considered for bylaws committee. I have extensive professional experience with governing documents (FAA JO7110.65, Aeronautical Instruction Manual, etc). I also wrote the bylaws for Butte County, sponsored amendments to make financial responsibilities and decision making more transparent and led a rewrite of the bylaws of my military unit booster club when I served as treasurer for two years.

An organization is only as functional as its bylaws permit. I'd like to help the GPCA become a more effective electoral party in service of our mission to transform our world.

Thanks for your time, and apologies for eleventh hour emails,

Steve Breedlove, Butte County

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===== Appendix H =====

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Application of Eric Luna to be appointed to the IT Committee

From: Eric Luna

Date: Mon, Jan 1, 2018 at 5:33 PM

Subject: IT Committee application

To: Sadie Fulton , Victoria Ashley

Im applying to serve on the IT Committee. I have years of experience with computer technology and information technology. I started with classes in middle school and it became a hobby. I managed my bands social media pages in the past and recently i have been maintaining websites and databases for political (SJC Greens) and non-profit organizations (Tri-Valley CAREs).

I have extensive experience in IT Coordination from the local Bernie Sanders campaign, where I learned to manage databases and build walk-lists and maps.

During the campaign I took classes in online learning which gave me the skills and knowledge to learn on my own from the internet. This is where I learned to code (html and CSS). I still have room to learn but I know enough to get by.

I believe that the Green Party is essential to the survival of our country and our state. We need to be able to keep up with the two "major" political parties if we are going to break the two-party system. We can do this if our web presence and organization is up to par, if not exceeding theirs. This means we need to have a functioning and ergonomic website. A place where communities can be built and organizing can happen.

I believe I have the experience and the know how to achieve these goals. So I ask that you consider appointing me to the IT Committee. Thank you for your consideration. Eric Luna

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===== Appendix I =====

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Application of Gloria Bram to be appointed to the Finance Committee

From: Gloria Bram

Date: Fri, Dec 15, 2017 at 3:05 PM

Subject: Appointment to Finance Committee

To: applications@cagreens.org

I have applied several times for this appointment, but never got to this committee. I am currently an observer & participant in the monthly meetings of this committee.

- I am a retired accountant with 43 years experience in business, ten with my own small practice.
- I was also the treasurer for Jefferson County Democrats, in Washington state, for about ten years.
- I am fairly new to participation in the Green Party, but not to it's principles & ideals. These most closely match my own which is why I left the democrats in Sept., 2016.

You can contact my sister & these other GP members for reference

- Sanda Everette, San Mateo Greens ecosanda@gmail.com
- Ron Rodarte, G P of Orange County gruneronmail@gmail.com
- David Kuelen, G P of Orange County djkmd1@gmail.com

Thank you,

Gloria Bram

GPOC Council

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===== Appendix J =====

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Application of Stephen Zollman for Co-Co male alternate position

From: Stephen Zollman

Date: Sat, Jan 6, 2018 at 11:59 AM

Subject: [gpca-cc] Application for Co-Co male alternate position

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee

Greetings all and happy new year. Wishing all a peaceful year. Please find below and attached my application for the above position and thank you for your consideration. All Best, Stephen Zollman, Guerneville, CA

Stephen Zollman's application for Co-Co male alternate position

As a former San Francisco Public Defender, who represented our youth for over eight and half years and adults for four, I continue to be concerned about how exposure to traumas continue to affect our youth, particularly those from marginalized parts of our community. I started my own firm to continue to serve the family law needs of our low income while at the same time advocating for all necessary services. I have extensive experience working with those who have mental health and developmental disabilities and know how the special education system works.

One of my goals as a citizen and as an openly gay man, is to increase the diversity within our ranks to include and foster the leadership of those within our people of color communities, those of different ethnicities, women, those of differing sexual orientations, gender identities, physical and mental health disabilities and from differing social-economic levels. Our future leaders deserve nothing less. I am also Army Veteran.

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Minutes from December 4th, 2017

COORDINATING COMMITTEE AGENDA, Version II

December 4th, 2017
7:30PM to 9:30PM

Conference Call number: (605) 472-5760
Access code: 498356
Web interface: <https://www.freeconferencecallhd.com/dialer>
To use web interface, go to weblink, follow instructions there;
(at that VoIP Dialer webpage, you must first enter your name,
then enter the dial-in number — (605) 472-5760 — click the
green call button & enter Access Code: 498356#)

(01) Roll call (2 min)

There are currently 23 committee members. This means quorum is a simple majority of 12.

- *Victoria Ashley, Alternate Co-Coordinator
- *Doug Barnett -
- *Marla Bernstein
- *June Brashares
- *Eric Brooks
- *Deatra Cohen
- *Susan Chunco
- *Maxine Daniel, Co-Coordinator
- Angelica Duenas (joined at 8:15)
- Sanda Everette
- *Mike Feinstein
- *Sadie Fulton
- Mike Goldbeck
- *Bert Heuer, Co-Coordinator
- *Tarik Kanaana
- *Eric Luna
- *Ann Menasche
- *Mike Murphy
- *Mimi Newton
- *Ajay Rai
- *Erik Rydberg
- *Laura Wells
- *Stephen Zollman

*Present – there was quorum

(02) Roles (2 min)

Facilitator: Maxine Daniel
Minutes taker: Ann Menasche
Time keeper: Eric Brooks
Vibes Watcher:

(03) Approval of agenda (2 min)

Sponsor: Mica Daniel, Bert Heuer
Proposal: Approve the agenda (draft on 12/4/17)

Notes – Mimi wanted to add Deatra to fundraising and Eric Brooks to Media
Eric Brooks – proposes that #14 (triggering a new SGA election) be a decision item – decision to do SGA bylaws interpretation and election of GPUS rep

Agenda approved by consensus

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

Sponsor: Bert Heuer, Mica Daniel
Proposal: Approve the minutes for the November 6th meeting as recorded by Bert Heuer
Reference: (See: <http://cagreens.org/committees/coordinating/minutes/2017-11-06>)

Notes: Minutes approved by consensus

(05) Announcement: Consent Calendar (2 minutes)

Item 1: Committee Reports

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:

Bylaws (Appendix A)
ERWG (Appendix B)
Finance (Appendix C)
GROW (Appendix D)
IT (Appendix E)
Media (Appendix F)
Platform (Appendix G)

The following committees did not send reports (yet):
CCWG
Clearinghouse
Campaign Funding Support
Fundraising
State Meeting Planning

Notes: Committee reports accepted.

Item 2: Results of the November 2017 SGA Election

Nov 13-19, 2017

Results:

(1) Election: Female Coordinating Committee Seat (1)

Candidates: - Nicole Castor, - Deatra Cohen, and - No other candidate

The number of voters is 75

Winner is - Deatra Cohen

(2) Election: Male Coordinating Committee Seat (1)

Candidates: - Christopher Cruz, - Angel Orellana, - Stephen Zollman, and - No other candidate

The number of voters is 75

Winner is - Stephen Zollman

(3) Approval: Minutes, General Assembly, March 11-12, 2017:

Candidates: - Abstain, - No, and - Yes

Abstain - 15

No - 1

Yes - 58

Winner is - Yes

(06) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Nassim Nouri (Santa Clara County) to the IT Committee

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: Nassim Nouri is applying to the IT Committee per her application below.

Proposal: That Nassim Nouri be appointed to the IT Committee.

Application: Appendix H

Notes:

Consensus not reached for her appointment. Ajay Rai had a concern about her technical qualifications and did not stand aside.

Marla expressed concern that Nassim is heading Clearinghouse Committee and shouldn't be on more committees – willing to stand aside.

Vote held:

YES:

Victoria Ashley, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Susan Chunco, Deatra Cohen, Maxine Daniel, Sadie Fulton, Bert Heuer, Tarik Kanaana, Eric Luna, Ann Menasche, Mike Murphy, Mimi Newton, Erik Rydberg, Laura Wells, Stephen Zollman

NO:

Doug Barnett, Marla Bernstein, Ajay Rai

ABSTAIN:

Mike Feinstein

1 abstain, 3 no, 16 yes, Proposal passes.

(07) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Colt Gonzalez (San Joaquin County) to the IT Committee

Sponsor: Sadie Fulton (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: Colt Gonzalez is applying to the IT Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That Colt Gonzalez be appointed to the IT Committee.

Application: Appendix I

Notes –

Affirmations made

Approved by consensus

(08) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Maxine Daniel (Alameda County) as Liaison to Clearinghouse Committee

Sponsor: Laura Wells (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: Maxine Daniel is applying as Liaison to Clearinghouse Committee per her application below.

Proposal: That Maxine Daniel be appointed as Liaison to Clearinghouse Committee.

Application:

The previous CC liaison to Clearinghouse Committee has lost her seat because of 3 unattended meeting in succession. I am a active member of the Clearinghouse and had been performing this function for several months. I request appointment as the CC liaison to Clearinghouse committee.

Thank you

Maxine H Mica Daniel

Notes: Approved by Consensus

(09) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint Deatra Cohen to the Fundraising Committee

Sponsor: Eric Brooks (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: Deatra Cohen is applying to the Fundraising Committee Liaison per her application below.

Proposal: That Deatra Cohen be appointed to the Fundraising Committee

Application: Appendix J

Notes: Affirmations made

Appointment of Deatra to fundraising committee approved by consensus

Appointment of Deatra as liaison to CC approved by consensus

(10) Proposal (Decision Item): Appointment of Eric Brooks as Media Committee Liaison

Sponsor: Eric Brooks (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: Eric Brooks is applying to be Media Committee Liaison per his application below.

Proposal: That Eric Brooks be appointed Media Committee Liaison.

Notes: Eric Brooks: ready to step up to help activate dormant committee; plans to do doodle poll to set up January and regular meeting time

Approved appointment by consensus

(11) Proposal (Decision Item): Appoint James Young (Orange County) to the Media Committee

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley (5 minutes)

Background and Purpose: James Young is applying to the Media Committee per his application below.

Proposal: That James Young be appointed to the Media Committee.

Application: Appendix K

Notes: Agreed that not qualified per bylaws unless attended GA or appointed to SGA.

Consensus that we couldn't vote him in at this time but would invite him to January media meeting and tell him what he needs to qualify. Eric Brooks will reach out to him.

(12) Discussion: General Meeting(s) on Website Direction (10 min)

Sponsor: Victoria Ashley, Solano County

Background and Purpose: CA Greens have differing views on the best direction forward for the State Party website and different understandings of the various factors involved in the decision, such as the necessary technologies for different functions, available options, costs, history, etc. Aside from IT Committee members, who should be involved in such a meeting, and who will conduct the logistics of managing the teleconference, doodle poll, etc.?

Proposal: To foster the creation of a teleconference meeting for all interested CA Greens regarding the future of the GPCA website.

Notes: Mike F suggest at least partially in person meetings with some on-line; Ajay says IT should put together requirements document regarding revamping website to talk to other people who will be using website about their needs; June suggests Nassim put together requirements document, gather information and run process; Mike suggests contacting a person in San Francisco who was involved some years ago; Eric Rydberg: National GP website is a model and says we should act quickly to modernize website.

Consensus reach that June would contact Nassim about calling meetings and assemble team and create requirements document that would then go to IT to fulfill.

(13) Decision to use NationBuilder as framework and anchor for new GPCA web site

Sponsor: Eric Brooks, San Francisco County

Background and Purpose:

Proposal:

Implementation/Timeline/Resources

Notes: Discussion about pluses and minuses of using Nationbuilder.

Eric Brooks recommends waiting to make decision to January and withdrew the item.

(14) Discussion: Triggering a new SGA election to include Bylaws Amendments and replacement for vacant male seat on the Coordinating Committee.

Sponsor: Eric Brooks, San Francisco County

Background and Purpose:

Proposal:

Implementation/Timeline/Resources

Notes: Discussion held. There are four applicants for GP alternate delegate.

Eric suggests this not be action item – also reached 9:30 and couldn't do action items.

Formal meeting adjourned at 9:30

NEXT CC Meeting on Monday, January 8, at 7:30.

(15) Decision: To coordinate fundraising with the GP US

Sponsor: Eric Brooks, San Francisco County

Background and Purpose:

Proposal:

From: Starlene

Date: Mon, Nov 6, 2017 at 2:23 PM

Subject: List Sharing with GP-US

To: "starlene@gp.org"

Hi there!

This is Starlene Rankin with the Green Party's Fundraising Team. We are requesting a list of your state party's members/supporters and we will send you our national list of supporters and donors in your state.

Please include, in an excel file, complete contact information and if they are donors.

Below are the specific rules regarding this in the GP bylaws.

Thank you! Let me know if you have any questions or need more information.

Peace,
Starlene Rankin
starlene@gp.org
<http://www.gp.org/sustain>

ARTICLE XII COORDINATION OF FUNDRAISING BETWEEN GPUS AND STATE PARTIES

Section 12-1 Coordination of Donor Lists With State Parties

12-1.1 Once per calendar year, member state parties are expected to make available to the GPUS their donor lists for the purpose of fundraising and outreach. Other arrangements may be substituted in coordination with the Fundraising Committee. GPUS shall use these lists only for fundraising and outreach. GPUS shall not share or sell these lists with anyone.

12-1.2 Once per calendar year, GPUS is expected to make available to member state parties their donor lists for the member state for the purpose of fundraising and outreach. State parties shall use these lists only for fundraising and outreach. State parties shall not share or sell these lists with anyone.

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Monthly Bylaws Committee Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee – November 2017

From: The GPCA By-Laws Committee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: Nov. 27, 2017

Submitted By: Mimi Newton, Co-Co By-Laws Committee

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Date of the last By-Laws Committee Meeting:

Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017(General Assembly Breakout Session) (due to the progress made at the GA breakout Session, the regular, 3rd Sunday, Bylaws Committee meeting in November was cancelled.)

Attendees:

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

Absent: Tim Laidman, Mike Feinstein, Vic Ashley

Other attendees: Fernando Serrano, Robert Torres, Greg Varra, Lewis Elbinger, Matthew Wheeler, Steve Breedlove, Rachel Bruhnke

Date of the next By-Laws Committee Meeting Conference Call (regular meeting):
Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm, Call in number - (515) 739-1271, access code: 753142.

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

-- Members of the Committee, with the strong encouragement of a number of California Greens, including those in attendance at the General Assembly breakout session, will be focusing on spearheading the wholesale revision of the GPCA Bylaws in 2018 for the purpose of streamlining and simplifying the rules that guide the State Party.

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===== Dec 2017 Mins. Appendix B =====

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GROW - Grassroots Organizing Working Group
11/14/17 GROW Monthly Report submitted for CC agenda of December 4, 2017

GROW teleconference November 14, 2017
ATTENDEES and ROLES
Amber Hendershot, Humboldt County
Anthony Krzywicki, Ventura County (GROW Co-coordinator)
Brett Dixon, Alameda County
Christine Pepin, Santa Clara County (TIME-KEEPER)
Jennifer Hall, San Joaquin County (NOTES)
John Schmit, Stanislaus County
Laura Wells, Alameda County (GROW Co-coordinator)
Lewis Elbinger, Siskiyou County
Nassim Nouri, Santa Clara County (FACILITATOR)

GROW attendees of breakout session at Ventura GA November 11, 2017
Amber Hendershot (Humboldt)
Anthony Krzywicki (Ventura), GROW co-coordinator
Christine Pepin (Santa Clara)
Deatra Cohen (Yolo)
Doug Johannes (Ventura)
Greg Varra (Riverside)
Heather Walker (Marin)
Hebard Olsen (Monterey)
Jennifer Hall (San Joaquin)
Jiana Choi (Yolo)
John Schmit (Stanislaus)
Laura Wells (Alameda), GROW co-coordinator
Michael Gaboury (Nevada)
Nassim Nouri (Santa Clara)
Penny Sheppard (Kern)
Phoebe Sorgen (Alameda)
Rick Greenblatt (San Diego)
Samuel Sera Rodriguez (San Bernardino)
Shannel Pittman (Los Angeles)

NOTES

- Invited attendees of GA breakout for GROW to this call
- General Assembly in Ventura Nov 11-12 - report by attendees

Reminded about next GA in San Joaquin County

- SGA - voting period started on Nov 13, ends Nov 19
- County Activation Project

Reach out from active counties to neighboring inactive counties
Identify contacts in other counties via NationBuilder, state lists, social media, through tabling, other events, etc.
Once contacts are identified, provide them with starter packs

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 12/12/17 @ 7:30pm, 712-770-4700, Code 626116#

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Electoral Reform Notes

Hello all,

Here are the notes from the ERWG meeting at the GA on 11/11/17:

The Electoral Reform Working Group did not meet quorum, so all discussion was informational.

Carol A. Bouldin facilitated the group in the absence of Ann Menasche and Eric Brooks. She shared that the Electoral Reform working group recommended that the California Green Party endorse the Stop Top Two ballot initiative a few months back and that this was voted on by the coordinating committee and approved.

The Stop Top Two initiative would effectively restore CA Primaries to their previous form, in which each party would select which candidate to run in the general election, by repealing the Top Two ballot initiative that passed in 2010 (Prop 14). Currently the signature gathering process is underway to put the initiative on the ballot (see link above), and about 600,000 valid signatures are required as it would be a constitutional amendment. For more info on the initiative go to: <https://www.stoptop2.com>

Carol also made everyone aware of HR 3057, which has been discussed in the ERWG telephone conferences. HR 3057 is a bill in the US House of Representatives that would introduce ranked choice voting and proportional representation for congressional elections. She recommended we call our House Reps to pressure them to sign on as co-sponsors as this bill would help third parties gain some traction on the national level.

Various members discussed the importance of paper ballots as the most transparent form of voting. One member suggested we look at the model pioneered by Humboldt County: all ballots are scanned and available online for anyone to count. All of the ballots are also physically stored for recounts.

Additionally, there seem to be frequent issues with people's voter registration being randomly changed. People have reported their party preference changing without notice.

It was also stressed that we review Mike Feinstein's revisions of the platform on the number of signatures needed to get candidates on the ballot and move forward to amend or approve.

Greens interested in participating in the ERWG conference calls:

Reed Heisley-Shellaby
Kristen Gritter-Cox
Shannel Pittman
Michael Gaboury
Christine Pepin
Heather Walker
Kathy Swift
Anthony Krzywicki
Rosie Terry

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November Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday November 30th, 2017, 8 – 9:00 pm

ATTENDEES:

Victoria Ashley – Liaison, Co-co (8/8/2016 - 8/2018)
Maxine (Mica) Daniel – Co-co (1/23/2016-1/2018)

Ruscal Cayangyang – Treasurer (6/2017-6/2019)
Frank Lambert – (9/2017-9/2019)
Tim Laidman – (1/2016-1/2018)
Gloria Bram
Unknown caller

ABSENT:

Marla Bernstein - (11/9/2015-11/2017)
Bob Marsh – (2/2017 – 2/2019)
Quinton Crawford – (9/2017-9/2019)

3. Updates / Treasurer Report:

* General Assembly finances (approximate)

- TOTAL Income: \$3800
- TOTAL Expenses: \$1350
- NET - \$2450

* Bank accounts

- Travis: \$3198 Balance (mainly from GA)
- OneUnited: \$15,500
- Provident: closed \$455 (Sandra has check, in Washington)
- Paypal: Ruscal will contact

* Statecraft: Semi-annual filing due January 30th

* SoS Fines:

- Ruscal will schedule a meeting with FPPC

4. Fundraising Letter

- Working to coordinate with the Fundraising Committee

5. Budget and Work plan requests for 2018 - notice soon

6. Next Meeting: Thursday, Dec 28th, 2017

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IT Committee Report

Hi all,

This is to report that the IT committee met in Ventura at the GA. The following people were in attendance:

Nassim Nouri
Aleece DePuey
Bob Terry
Colt Gonzales
Jennifer Hall
Douglas Johannes
Jane Jarlsberg
Amber Hendershot
Herard Olsen
Rick Greenblott
Sanda Everette
Sadie Fulton

The meeting was inquorate. A general discussion took place around our website and resources; including some background information about what operates where, etc. A large majority of those involved in the discussion wished to see our website migrated to NationBuilder; this is resulting from a general dissatisfaction with the overall skill level required to maintain the current website, the need to upgrade it anyway, and a general desire for a more accessible, intuitive content management system, of the variety that NationBuilder offers. Colt and Nassim both expressed interest in joining the committee.

In addition, I can report that our regularly scheduled meeting was due to go ahead on 11/20, but did not. There was no email announcement for it. I dialed the number about two minutes after the start time, and waited on the line for about ten minutes; nobody else joined the call during that time.

The committee is currently engaged in email discussion around scheduling an alternate time to make up this meeting.

Sadie

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Media Committee report for CC meeting on 12/4/17

This reports the list of attendees of the breakout session at the Ventura GA, November 12, 2017.

MEDIA COMMITTEE
11/12/17 Media Monthly Report submitted for CC agenda of December 4, 2017

Attendees of MEDIA COMMITTEE breakout session at Ventura GA November 12, 2017

- Aleece DePuey (Riverside)
- Christine Pepin (Santa Clara)
- David Curtis (Marin)
- Emmanuel Estrada (Los Angeles)
- Erik Rydberg (Butte) GPCA Spokesperson
- Jane Jarlsberg (San Bernardino)
- Larry Chin (Los Angeles)
- Laura Wells (Alameda) GPCA Spokesperson
- Lauren Mauricio (Tulare)
- Richard Gomez (Fresno)
- Sadie Fulton (Yolo)
- Sanda Everette (San Mateo)
- Shannel Pittman (Los Angeles)

NEXT MEETING: To be determined

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Platform Committee report for CC meeting on 12/4/17

The Platform Committee does not have regular meetings but, rather, meets continuously via the listserve in considering platform plank language since teleconferences are not good for such discussions. The Platform Committee holds in-person meetings at the GAs.

Last in-person meeting held at the Ventura GA in November. The next in-person meeting will take place at the next GA.

MINUTES GPCA PLATFORM COMMITTEE MEETING NOV 11 2017
VENTURA GENERAL ASSEMBLY Draft 1. 111417

Present: Jan Arnold, RubinArnol@aol.com; Steve Breedlove, Srbreedlove@gmail.com; B?; Callahan, jesse.callahan@outlook.com ; Rose Mary Duentes/Terry Better, DHS@gmail.com; Kyla Dust, kmd859@humboldt.edu; Anthony Fuentes, openglish64@gmail.com; Peggy Koteen, pkoteen@aol.com; Gloria Purcell, gloria@extragalactic.net; Shane Que Hee, squehee@ucla.edu; Adam Siegal, a1Siegal@gmail.com; Bob Terry, NOSPAMRAM@gmail.com; Heather Walker, drheatherwalker@gmail.com
Agenda: Add Salton Sea to 3rd last item.

Announcements: .The CA GPCA is submitting 2 new platform planks for the GPUS Platform: Animal Experimentation and Animals and Entertainment. Comments are invited, Please e-mail Peggy Koteen. The final version has to be submitted by Dec 31 2017.

Minutes of Prior Meeting: None as joint meeting with ERWG when Co-Co missed plane to Sacramento.

Co-Co’s Report: Peggy Koteen reconfirmed as Platform voting member by GPCA CC. Initiatives platform is still being finalized by ERWG for submission to Platform comment. Big increase in spam on listsserve. Some 44 listserve members.

GA Planks

Workplace Safety and Health: 1. Proposal para 6: Add “Also provide anonymous means for undocumented workers to report health and safety hazards.”; 2. Proposal para 7: insert “inventory” after “base”, delete “and their amounts”, and insert “(workplace mental stress)” after “psychosocial”; 3. Next para (new) Develop systems to empower workers to take responsibility for the health and safety of their , including direct anonymous reporting to CALOSHA.” 4. Proposal 4th last para: Add “(See also the Health Care plank)” after “stress”; 5. Delete the Proposal 2nd and 3rd last paras; 6. Proposal last para: after “scientists” insert “Occupational physicians and nurses, toxicologists”

Wildlife: 1. Last para Background after “themselves” insert “, for example,”. 2. Proposal para 2: put last; 3. Proposal para 7: insert “government-funded” after “Eliminate” and “and private” before “lands”.

Time ran out.

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Application: Nassim Nouri (Santa Clara County) to the IT Committee

Dear CC Committee members,
I’d like to submit my application, below, for the IT Committee to you for consideration at your upcoming December meeting.
Thank you for your time and all you do for GPCA,
Nassim

Nassim Nouri- nassim1nouri@gmail.com ~ 408-396-5722
I am applying to the IT Committee with the main goal of significantly improving and expanding the support GPCA provides to our county chapters. My professional experience started in science and medical research in academia and led to managing marketing and communications roles in the biotech industry. Currently I manage all of the website, monthly Newsletter and some social media communications for three organizations, including our Green Party of Santa Clara chapter (TheGreens.us), as well as SouthBayPA.org and REACHShirati.org (I created the later two websites and currently maintain all three).
I hope is to contribute to the IT Committee primarily on the GPCA website development and redesign to make it accurate, inspirational and actionable. I also plan to help improve the user experience, participate in building robust communication channels, and simply pitch in the work load that this Committee’s few members have been burden with, for far too long. As a member of the Clearinghouse Committee I also see an opportunity to integrate efforts and streamline communications internally.
My vision for the Green Party is for us to grow into more than an electoral alternative. We need to take our rightful place as the moral imperative in our government. To reach this goal we need to engage all those who have been driven out of participating in our democracy, and effectively communicate our platform, potential and pride in being Greens, the party for, by, and of the people.

Nassim Nouri
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County Council
Green Party of Santa Clara County

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Colt Gonzalez (San Joaquin County) to the IT Committee

Hello,
My name is Colt Gonzales and I’d like to apply for a position on the I/T Committee. I currently serve as a Co-Coordinator for my County, San Joaquin. I also serve on various other committees on the county level including I/T where I’ve worked on the creation and maintenance of our

first website, and also our subsequent highly functional NationBuilder Website and database SJCGreens.org . Throughout my life I've acquired various I/T skills needed to fix and maintain websites and databased systems to the point of becoming a local "I/T go-to" at almost every workplace I've ever been a part of. If I don't have the skills to get something done, I know whom to call to find out how to fix or create something and get it done.

I'd like to help the committee and the state party as a whole by applying my knowledge of modern systems to help bring our party up to speed in the modern era of a constantly changing political landscape that demands we run and maintain a highly adaptable web presence. One that doesn't require constant and laborious maintenance by highly skilled I/T people or coders daily, which actually limits our party's ability to be effective on a day to day basis and requires we scavenge the party for the those skills and attempt to draft people into positions they may not seek. Applying modern tools and systems to our party will help to facilitate a highly organized and highly functional party to compete in the 21st century and reduce our party's I/T Labor Costs considerably.

Thank you,

Colt Gonzales

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Hello GPCA CC members,

I'd like to put my name forth to be considered as a member of the Fundraising Committee. In addition to my commitment to building the GPCA, I have extensive relevant experience that would allow me to serve the Fundraising Committee well.

In my previous twenty-plus year career as a public librarian, I spent several months annually inviting local businesses to support the library's mission by contributing to programs that encouraged teens to read for fun throughout the year. These efforts , which I light-heartedly called "beg-a-thons" typically involved connecting with the community and building partnerships. With few exceptions, I found that local businesses were happy to donate to a cause that benefited the community locally and by extension, the world at large.

I am comfortable writing letters, making phone calls and reaching out to anyone who might consider supporting the Green Party's Ten Key Values, financially or otherwise. My skills and experience can easily be applied to the non-corporate donor world.

Thanks for considering my application and I look forward to hearing your decision.

In solidarity,
Deatra Cohen

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Green Party Coordination Committee,

Aloha! My name is James Kaimilani Young. I am a native Californian, Father and Naval Veteran and I'm applying to become a Media Committee Member to assist and uplift the Green Party of CA.

In the course of 20 plus years, I have worked with many different marketing firms across Orange County CA. Door to door, Business to Business, public speaking, email, direct mail, social media are just a few marketing strategies that I'm very familiar with. The vast list of companies from fortune 500 companies to mom & pop advertising and marketing businesses that I have had the pleasure of working with have given me a vast amount of knowledge and a formidable skill set that I will bring to the Green Party Media Committee Member position.

After doing my own due-diligence and checking my own recourses thus to find out that the U.S. has one political party posing as two – I decided to leap off the Democratic sinking ship about 2 years ago and became a Green Party voter registered member. However, there are millions that have left the new center-left and are now in limbo and that are in a stasis of betrayal. This mass of U.S. voters is “floating” with nowhere to land. Well, I seek to assist our last and only hope (The Green Party) at taking down a two-headed monster that is currently destroying our nation, the planet and all of its inhabitants and if given the opportunity I will put forth great effort in providing a safe and comfortable place for these floating millions to land. Once our numbers become threatening; the 2 Party Oligarchy will have no choice but to [at least] notice our demands.

I would be more than honored to be a part of a political party that has held my exact political ethics and values for decades but was never contacted or tapped on the shoulder to realize who the GP truly is. Let's just say that like me there are millions that are "naïve" to what the Green Party is truly about. I strongly believe that I have many state of the art processes and systems that would help reach far more GP members to then organize and reach out to the floating and naïve masses across our nation.

Besides my eagerness to succeed and the diligence that I put forth in all my endeavors, it would be an absolute pleasure to work hand in hand with other Green Party members to do my best to give, use and share my talents, skills and abilities to help The Green Party evolve and excel, because let's be real... We absolutely must have as many resources possible to combat a system that is stacked to the stars against us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James K. Young

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