Policy Committee Member

Volunteer Position

Purpose

The Policy Committee is responsible for:

- providing oversight and review of existing policies and policy proposals with a view to ensuring the integrity and coherence of the "BC Greens Policy" document;
- drafting policy proposals in consultation with the Party Leader, Executive Director, Provincial Council, BC Greens members and other stakeholders or learned individuals; and
- ensuring that the BC Greens have a comprehensive suite of policies sufficient to address environmental, economic, social and fiscal sustainability in British Columbia.

Term

The Policy Committee Chair will commit to a term from July 1, 2022 - December 1, 2024.

Achieves purpose & goals through		
Committee expectations	 Participating in a regular meeting schedule Following consensus decision making process and if consensus can not be reached, a simple majority will decide the outcome A willingness to work on a broad range of policy issues 	
Policy Committee Meetings	 Identifying gaps within existing policies Identifying and prioritizing new policies that need to be created Scheduling policy discussions (roundtables, town halls, etc) with policy area experts and members Identifying and recruiting subject matter experts to lead or participate in discussions 	
Member & Voter Engagement	 Ensuring regular town halls, roundtables or other engagement events are held on the policy areas identified by the Policy Committe Arranging at least one policy area expert participates in each engagement event Overseeing minutes or notes are taken at each event, and that the policy committee reviews these notes to schedule follow-up discussion events Encouraging members to use the learning from these discussions to generate policy proposals Attending engagement meetings Inviting and supporting the development of member submissions Assisting with contacting members who submit a policy motion to explain 	

	the review processHelping with responses to member's questions via the policy@ inbox
Policy Development Process	 Assisting with the development and management of a policy framework for the effective development of the BC Greens Policy Document Identifying current policy issues, existing policy gaps and making recommendations Creating a process for members to suggest discussion topics and for members to submit revised or new policy.
Transition	Supporting the onboarding of the new Policy Chair
Data Management	Ensuring all work is completed on the Policy shared drive and is not held personally by committee members

Work experience and education requirements		
Work experience	Either exposure to or experience with policy development and research with experience in	
Education	Exposure to equity, diversity & inclusion practices	

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Required skills, knowledge and abilities	
Policy	 A basic understanding of policy development Ideally some experience with policy research and writing
Learning	A willingness and an ability to learn about new policy areas
Organization	The ability to organize your thoughts and work-product when working on a wide range of issues simultaneously
Building relationships	 The ability and desire to work towards consensus decisions with a commitment to finding solutions that everyone actively supports Able to actively listen, ask questions, be patient and engage people in collaborative, respectful conversations Constructively and professionally engage in conversations with someone where there is conflict or unwelcome information
Communication	Strong verbal and written communication skills
Building relationships	 Able to actively listen, ask questions, be patient and engage people in collaborative, respectful conversations Constructively and professionally engage in conversations with someone where there is conflict or unwelcome information
Information technology use	The ability to quickly learn and use a variety of IT products, including but not limited to:

	 Google Calendar Document, Sheets, Slides organized for shared use by hundreds of people Gmail Microsoft Word, Excel Zoom, Google Meet Slack
Event planning	Aiding the event planning to achieve intended outcomes.
Equity, diversity and inclusion	 Can talk about person privilege and/or oppression, the role that it plays in primarily volunteer organizations, and actions taken to create a more equitable, diverse and inclusive workplace or volunteer team
Availability	 Meet twice per month with the committee Availability some evenings and occasional weekend for policy sessions