GPCA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Monday, November 1, 2021 - 7:30 PM- 9:30 PM, via zoom

(1) Roll call: (5 minutes)

There are currently 14 CC committee members (David Bond, June Brashares, Nicole Castor, David Cobb, Mica Daniel, Barry Hermanson, Greg Jan, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Nicole Raglin, Audra Walton and Laura Wells). This means quorum is a simple majority of 8.

Present: David Bond, June Brashares, Nicole Castor, David Cobb, Mica Daniel, Barry Hermanson, Greg Jan, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Nicole Raglin, Audra Walton and Laura Wells.

We had quorum at 7:34 pm (14 of 14).

Also present: Justin Richardson (Treasurer), at approximately 7:36 pm.

(2) Roles (4 minutes):

Roles for this CC Call:
Facilitator: Karen N
Stacktaker: Mica D:
Note Taker: Greg J
Time Keeper: James L
Vibes Watcher: Christine P

Roles for next month's CC Call on Dec 6, 2021:

Facilitator: June B

Stacktaker (to assist Facilitator): Mica D

Note Taker: TBD Time Keeper: TBD Vibes Watcher: Audra W

Karen also briefly mentioned meeting procedures such as raising hands to get on stack,

keeping comments short, etc.

(3) Approval of Agenda (3 minutes)

Nicole Castor had an unresolved concern, so a vote on approving the agenda was taken. **The agenda was approved by a vote of 13 Yes votes to 1 No vote** (Castor).

(3a) Late items:

The late item request (Appendix G, below) was withdrawn by the presenter (Nicole Castor), who said that she'd instead post about it to the CC listserve.

(4) Discussion item: New CC member orientation (10 min)

Below is the info included in the CC agenda for this item:

Sponsors: Karen Nyhus, Sonoma County; June Brashares, Sonoma County Background and Purpose: To maximize effectiveness on the CC, we want to ensure that all

members are aware of our duties (generally as the CC, and specifically in various roles), the

bylaws and procedures that govern our work, and the resources (documents, people) that can help us do them well.

Proposal: Provide brief orientation; answer questions from new and existing members

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: perform during the meeting

References: N/A

June B presented info about CC duties and relevant bylaws, procedures and resources. Most of the info is in the CC section of our website, although some is in Basecamp.

(5) Approval of October 4, 2021 CC minutes (2 minutes) as posted to the CC listserv by Karen Nyhus on November 1 at ~10:56 AM.

Nicole Castor had an unresolved concern, so a vote on approving the October minutes was taken. **The minutes were approved by a vote of 13 Yes votes to 1 No vote** (Castor).

(6) Consent Items (5 minutes)

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 in the meeting minutes:

Clearinghouse Committee & GROW Joint Meeting 10/12 - Appendix A

Media Committee October 18 meeting notes - Appendix B

Finance, Fundraising, & Budget Committees September meeting minutes - Appendix C Statewide Candidates SubCommittee (SCSC) Nov. Report -- Appendix D

Approved by consensus.

(7) Decision Item: Appointment to Platform Committee (5 minutes)

Sponsor(s): Shane Que Hee, Platform Committee

Background and Purpose: Thomas Leavitt had previously sent application to be appointed to Platform Committee. It was recommended that Thomas volunteer with the Committee and if it was a good fit the Platform Committee could recommend Thomas for membership.

Proposal: The CC appoint Thomas Leavitt to be a voting member of GPCA Platform Committee

Implementation/Timeline/Resources:

References: --- Forwarded message --- From: Que Hee, Shane <- >,

Date: Fri, Oct 29, 2021 at 9:04 PM

Subject: [gpca-cc] Thomas Leavitt as a Voting Member of the GPCA Platform

To: gpca-cc@lists.cagreens.org < gpca-cc@lists.cagreens.org >

Cc: pkoteen@aol.com <->, Tarik Kanaana <->, Que Hee, Shane <->, Eric Brooks < --> Dear CC:

On October 28 2021 at its monthly Zoom meeting, the three voting members of the GPCA Platform Committee (Peggy Koteen, Eric Brooks and myself) voted unanimously to support Thomas Leavitt as a voting member of the GPCA Platform Committee.

We hope the CC agree to this.

Thomas has attended 8 out of 9 zoom meetings January through September 2021, written a draft platform plank, offered advice on wording on the platform planks being revised, and is a congenial and passionate team player. As you know, he is a long-time Green dating back to the beginning of the 21st century, and is prominent in GPUS via its Lavender Caucus and is highly respected there.

Approved by consensus.

(8) Decision Item: Appoint Co-Cos and Alternates for CC (15 Minutes)

Nominations were taken for 2 CC Co-Coordinators (one female, one any other gender) and 2 alternates (same gender requirements). June posted the nominations to the CC list as follows: ----- Forwarded Message -----

From: June Brashares < june.brashares@gmail.com >

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee < gpca-cc@lists.cagreens.org >

Sent: Monday, November 1, 2021, 08:13:53 PM PDT

Subject: [gpca-cc] Nominations for CC Co-Co

I nominate

Laura Wells for Female Co-Co

Christine Pepin for Female Alt Co-Co

James Lauderdale for Non-Female Co-Co

Greg Jan for Non-Female Alt Co-Co

There was consensus on approving all nominees, except for Laura

Wells. Specifically, Nicole Castor had an unresolved concern regarding approving Laura Wells. So a vote was taken and Laura Wells was approved for Female Co-Co by a vote of 13 Yes votes to 1 No vote (Castor).

(9) Review of Voting Results, Updates and Ongoing Action Items (15 mins):

Updates on Voting Since the Last CC Call (5 mins)

- Online CC Votes & Results:
- 48 HOUR VOTE Proposal for CC to approve putting a decision item on the General Assembly agenda for Bylaw Amendment to Section 7-2.4

Voting period started 10/13/21 at 9:20pm, ended 10/15/21 at 9:20pm.

Full Text of the Proposal is at *Appendix E*

RESULTS: The tally of online votes for this proposal were - YES votes: 8 (David Bond, June Brashares, Barry Hermanson, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Nicole Raglin, Laura Wells). No votes: None

The proposal was approved to place on the December 4-5 General Assembly agenda a decision item to amend GPCA Bylaws Section 7-2.4

• 48 HOUR VOTE - Approval of General Assembly Draft Agenda

Voting period started 10/20/21 at 9:45am, ended 10/22/21 at 9:45am. Full Text of the Proposal is at Appendix F

RESULTS: The tally of online votes for this proposal were: YES votes: 13 (David Bond, June Brashares, David Cobb, Mica Daniel, Barry Hermanson, Greg Jan, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Nicole Raglin, Audra Walton, Laura Wells) NO votes: 1 (Nicole Castor)

The proposed Draft Agenda was approved

- SGA Voting Results
- Results for Votes #226, #228-#233 were published Oct 16, 2021 at 12:34am Election: ID #226, #228-#233

Voting started: Oct. 4, 2021 at 12:01 am Voting stopped: Oct. 10, 2021 at 11:59 pm 77 votes were cast out of a total of 85 delegates. Quorum was reached.ID <u>ID</u> #226: Coordinating Committee Election (16 Seats available, 21 Candidates), 6 people were elected to the CC: 1. Audra Walton, 2. Nicole Castor, 3. Greg Jan, 4. Christine Pepin, 5. David Cobb, 6. Mica Daniel, the 7th candidate to be "elected" was No Other Candidate so no further candidates could be seated. 10 CC seats remain open.

https://www.opavote.com/results/5086140886417408

ID #228: GPCA position on endorsing John Parker for US Senate

67.5% of the votes were for Endorse. Endorse is the winner.

ID #229: GPCA position on endorsing Gary Blenner for Secretary of State

82.9.% of the votes were for Endorse. Endorse is the winner.

ID #230: GPCA position on endorsing Laura Wells for Controller

96.1% of the votes were for Endorse. Endorse is the winner.

ID #231: GPCA position on endorsing Meghann Adams for Treasurer

69.7% of the votes were for Endorse. Endorse is the winner

ID #232: GPCA position on endorsing Dan Kapelovitz for Attorney General

78.9% of the votes were for Endorse. Endorse is the winner

<u>ID #233</u>: GPCA position on endorsing Nathalie Hrizi for Insurance Commissioner. Final result of 67.1% of the votes were for Endorse.

Endorse is the winner.

Other Updates Since the Last CC Call (5 mins)

GA announcements

Email sent to GPCA Inform List on Fri, Oct. 22, 2021 at 7:31 PM

Subject: December General Assembly - Draft Agenda

Continuing ACTION ITEMS (5 mins):

— Report out from Nassim, Tarik, Justin and James, who had volunteered to work on a subcommittee to draft written guidelines, rules and plans for next steps with respect to effective moderation and facilitation at GPCA meetings and calls. James made this presentation regarding Mike Feinstein's abusive behavior toward Nassim and he explained that guidelines have now been sent to all standing committees, plus the GPUS delegation.

(10) Discussion item: Discuss how CC can affect successful GPCA fundraising, discussion possibly leading to proposal. Time requested, 15 minutes or more if possible. Sponsors: Laura Wells and Justin Richardson, Treasurer

Background and Purpose: The 2022 budget will be on the agenda for approval during the December 4-5 General Assembly. The CC discussion will focus on what the CC can do in order to increase the income side of the budget so that the GPCA can both refresh the NationBuilder database with current Green registrants, and can have as big an impact as possible in the 2022 statewide campaigns.

Proposal: That the CC discuss ideas and generate plans to increase our fundraising efforts and results, and to discuss our individual commitments.

Implementation/Timeline/Resources: To be determined during the agenda item. The General Assembly budget approval will take place the weekend of December 4-5, about 5 weeks after the CC meeting.

References: ATTACHMENT - DRAFT Fundraising Letter to be sent week of Nov 1 by the Fundraising Committee.

This draft will be referred to during the fundraising CC agenda item on Nov 1.

-FUNDRAISING LETTER-

EMAIL SUBJECT: Help Sustain the Earth, and the Green Party!

Dear Green activist,

Right now, the climate change conference COP26 is happening in Scotland, from October 31 through November 12. Undoubtedly, the best ideas about **sustainability of life on earth** will be put forth by the protestors outside the meeting rooms.

This letter to you is also focused on **sustainability**, **of the Green Party of California**. The Green Party is needed in this world to fight the watering down of needed solutions, like the real Green New Deal, with meaningful and living wage work toward a livable planet. The struggle we're engaged in is a huge challenge.

Why do we stay with it? After all, it is difficult. Greens have a lot of great ideas, and most people really like the Ten Key Values, but being a "third party" in a two-party system is like being a "third world country" in a unipolar one shaky super-power that's hanging on tight to its bygone glory.

It's not easy, but **we stay with it because we want a better world** and we see that the Green Party's Ten Key Values and the commitment to take no corporate money represents what is desperately needed in the world.

Helping to make sure that the GPCA stays afloat, there are currently XX Green activists who have made monthly sustainer pledges. **You are invited to join the sustainer group** now if you haven't already, here. https://cagreens.nationbuilder.com/paypal2 Our goal is to add 100 by year-end 2021. One hundred new sustainers would triple [or whatever] the number of sustainers and would be a great base on which to build in the coming election year of 2022!

And yes, absolutely, even while we're encouraging sustainer pledges in this letter to you, we want you to know that your one-time donations are also welcome, HERE! https://cagreens.nationbuilder.com/donate

Thank you for all you do, and for everything you've already done for a better world.

Sincerely,

Mica Daniel

Coordinating Committee co-coordinator emeritus Green Party of California

P.S. Your financial contributions and especially your sustainer pledges will help strengthen the foundations of a powerful Green Party database and communications infrastructure that will help the statewide candidate Left Unity Slate — watch for more information on that historic achievement — that will be on the ballot in June 2022. Here again is the donation LINK https://cagreens.nationbuilder.com/donate.

- LETTER END -

Laura made this presentation and noted that we currently have 26 sustainers who collectively donate approximately \$300 per month. She also noted that 21% of the CC, 7% of the SGA, and

6% of the GPUS delegation are sustainers, and she encouraged all CC members to become sustainers.

(11) Discussion item: BaseCamp update (15 min)

Sponsor: Karen Nyhus, Sonoma County

Background and Purpose: The CC continues to test BaseCamp as an online administrative tool to help organize our work and keep us on track. We have requested modest funding to continue this evaluation into 2022. We have been spending some time at every meeting over the last few months to give an update on the latest contents, design, and/or features to help CC members understand, use and evaluate the platform. This update will show some recent updates to content and organization, particularly focusing on the needs of Co-Cos, supporting the orientation of new CC members, and helping us complete upcoming duties.

- Karen made this presentation regarding the project management platform "BaseCamp". She shared her screen and showed us the 9 projects currently in BaseCamp and noted that we can use it to archive lots of documents.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A - Clearinghouse Committee & GROW Joint Meeting 10/12 monthly report

CLEARING HOUSE/GROW MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 12, 2021 7:30 PM UNTIL 8:45 PM - Date: October 14, 2021 at 2:41:04 PM PDT

- 1. Roll Call: Laura Wells, Richard Gomez, Nassim Nouri, Barry Hermanson, Mica Daniel
- 2. Roles Facilitator, Nassim Nouri Notes, Mica Daniel Timekeeper All
- 3. Build and approve agenda review last month's min & actions approved
- 4. Laura Wells is resigning as Grow CC Liasion. Rick Greenblatt is willing to assume a role as co-co. Barry Hermanson is willing to be Grow CC Liasion if appointed by the CC.
- 5. GROW budget and work plan 2022 were reviewed. Grow has no bandwidth to take on county Voter Registration, but will continue to provide support and guidance where needed.
- 6. Clearinghouse reports: Proposed <u>Clearinghouse budget and work plan 2022</u> (updated later 10/22)
- 7. Discussion: Rick G. suggested for consideration by CH and IT as a supplement to NationBuilder, Network homepage: https://actionnetwork.org/
- "Action Network is an open platform that empowers individuals and groups to organize for progressive causes. We encourage responsible activism, and do not support using the platform to take unlawful or other improper action" Action Network pricing plans: https://actionnetwork.org/partnerships
- 8. Confirm next second Tuesday conference call, Nov 9, 2021, 7:30 pm.
- 9. Adjourned at 8:45 PM

APPENDIX B - Media Committee meeting notes - October 18, 2021, 2:00 pm

Media Committee meeting notes - October 18, 2021, 2:00 pm

ATTENDEES: Laura Wells, (Co-coordinator, NOTETAKER), Thomas Leavitt (member)

* Work Plan for 2022 was submitted to Finance Committee on September 30.

- * Prior ideas for media releases have not advanced; discussed the two committee members' workloads.
- * MEDIA RELEASE LEFT UNITY SLATE. Subsequent to this meeting, volunteer Christine Pepin drafted a media release about the 6 endorsements approved by the SGA of Left Unity slate statewide candidates, with help from volunteer Nassim Nouri and Statewide Candidate Subcommittee volunteer Greg Jan. Planned to be released early the week of October 25. NEXT MEETING: Third Monday, November 15, 2021, 2-3pm.

APPENDIX C - Finance, Fundraising, Budget Committees September meeting minutes

Finance, Budget and Fundraising Committee Agenda and Minutes 2021 Sept 23 MINUTES: FINANCE & FUNDRAISING and BUDGET COMMITTEE MTG SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 @ 6 PM TO 7 PM (on Zoom and Basecamp)

Note: Budget Committee exists during fall only; the rest is permanent.

- (1) ROLL CALL: Present: Mica Daniel, Laura Wells, Mimi Newton, Karen Nyhus, Justin Richardson. Absent: Barry Hermanson, Frank Lambert, Vicente Cruz
- (2) ROLES: Facilitator: Justin. Notetaker: Karen. Timekeeper & Vibes Watcher: Mica
- (3) Build and approve agenda Done.
- (4) Approval of minutes from August 26, 2021, as posted to the CC on Sunday, September 5, 2021, at 11:33 PM by Mica Daniel ...

Approved by consensus.

(5) Review 2021 schedules and deadlines from FPPC when we need to turn in our forms: Political Parties committees:

http://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules/where-and-when-to-file-campaign-statements/when-to-file-campaign-statements-state-local-filing-schedules.html

Justin reviewed the schedule and there are no deadlines this month that apply.

Our next *known/anticipated* (EOY) report is due January 31, 2022. (6) Treasurer's Report to the Finance Committee for September 2021

Submitted by Justin Richardson, Treasurer

Account Balances as of 9/19/2021

- Travis Credit Union (savings) Federal account: \$1,606.83
- Travis Credit Union (checking) State account: \$13,559.08
- PayPal: \$193.37

Expenses (8/26 - 9/19/21)

- Call Centric: \$10.45
- ISP (political filing software): \$100.00
- Treasurer stipend: \$200.00 (pending)

Comment from Treasurer: monthly income/expense tracking does not correlate well with this committee's meeting times.

Decided: keep budget in BaseCamp; members will be notified every time a new version is uploaded and can look.

(7) Update: Report back on Action Items (Mica)

Call for work plan and budget request for January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022

Confirmed Mica sent this out Sept. 5, with deadline of Sept. 30 to reply to us. Due to GA by Oct. 15 so GA planners can send it out by Oct. 23 (bylaws deadline 6 weeks before GA).

(8) Update Fundraising letter (Laura Wells, Frank Lambert)

Goal: get out by end of year. Mid-Oct and ~Dec. 1 would be ideal (before GA). Tasks:

- draft language Content: emphasize getting sustainers. schwag?): Laura

- give feedback (need reviewers)
- finalize and send
- (repeat for December)
- Later: KN invite Frank L to BaseCamp (after Laura contacts him)

(9) Discuss budget and appoint Finance Committee representatives to the Budget Committee. Current Budget Committee members are Justin Richardson (as Treasurer), Karen Nyhus and Laura Wells (appointed by CC).

Appointed Mica Daniel and Frank Lambert (*in absentia*) to the committee (subject to his consent). Mica will reach out to Frank to confirm joining budget committee.

Tasks of budget committee: leading up to presentation at GA. Per our bylaws, 6 weeks prior (Oct 23), the GA agenda must be sent out with the proposed budget. By Oct. 4, we'll inform the CC of stragglers. By Oct 7 (our next meeting), we must have a draft prepared, and finalized by Oct. 15 to send to GA planners.

Justin will prepare the presentation and present as a single spreadsheet, in a brief presentation, anticipating Q&A.

ANTICIPATED REQUESTS (bylaws have process for submitting annual work plans)

Bylaws Committee - no \$ requested (Mimi)

Clearinghouse Committee,

GPCA Coordinating Committee (CC),

State Meeting and Agenda Committee (GA): Mimi will forward Mica's Sept. 5 email to Greg Jan in case they want to submit any budget request. Or CC could add it on Oct. 4 meeting as part of the CC budget (since it's a subcommittee).

Finance/Fundraising Committee, IT Committee, Media Committee, Platform Committee,

GPUS (CA delegation), Campaigns and Candidates Working Group (CCWG),

GROW/Grassroots Organizing Working Group: Laura *may* be able to find

Statewide Candidates Subcommittee (SCSC), ERWG

Mica will send a follow-up email to WGs and Committees.

Karen will create a task for reps from each group in BaseCamp.

Naggers: Mica will use various means to contact/remind.

(10) Affirm meeting dates for the rest of the year:

See below.

TIMELINE:

Sept 30: current deadline for budget/WP requests --> we expect stragglers

Oct. 4: CC meeting: present a draft, who is lagging/needs nagging/get help

Oct. 7: NEXT BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING at 7 pm (zoom, below)

Oct 15: budget due to GA planning group

Oct 23: 6 weeks before GA starts on Dec. 4

Dec. 4-5: GA

Mica will get agenda item on Oct. 4 CC agenda to review submissions/stragglers; Mica will update Oct 3rd (Justin can help). Mimi will help on draft CC agenda going out on 27th.

Mimi will pull out her 2020 GP file to see if she has hardcopy notes re: budget, and see if there is a Zoom recording.

ZOOM LOGISTICS: Finance Cte: Zoom recurring meeting, with GPCA Zoom access can start finance cte access, and start the meeting.

Laura will set up a Budget Committee zoom using the Finance Cte link. To use it: log in as GPCA, click on finance (recurring meeting), start it. Or set up manually.

REGULAR UPCOMING FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

October 7, 2021: next budget committee (using Finance Committee Zoom link)

October 28, 2021

November 18, 2021 (tentative change: 4th Thursday is Thanksgiving)

APPENDIX D - SCSC Report (Statewide Candidates SubCommittee): Nov., 2021

Monthly Committee/Working Group Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee

From: The GPCA Statewide Candidates SubCommittee

To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee

Date: Oct. 31, 2021 Submitted By: Greg Jan

Date of the last Committee/Working Group Meeting:

Thursday, Oct. 28, 7 pm

Present:

Committee members Steve Breedlove (Butte), Greg Jan, facilitator (Alameda), and Jared Laiti (Sacramento)

Date of the next Committee/Working Group Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 11, 7 pm Any significant actions the Committee/Working Group is taking:

- (1) We are continuing to meet approximately monthly with the Peace and Freedom Party. As most of you know, the SGA has now endorsed all 6 "Left Unity slate" candidates, including the 3 P&F members. And in mid-November, P&F will be going through their endorsement process for the same 6 candidates, plus Luis Rodriguez. (For the Green Party, the endorsement of Rodriguez is scheduled for our early December GA meeting)..
- (2) We have a few leads for Lt. Governor, and will be following up on them over coming week or two. (And if those don't pan out, we are working on some other ideas for finding a Lt. Governor candidate).
- (3) Over the next month or so, we will be preparing for the signatures-in-lieu of the filing fee campaign, and we'll be asking for Greens across the state to help with it! And we'll also be in touch with our endorsed candidates about other aspects of gearing up their campaigns.
- (4) We will also be preparing for our presentation at the early December GA meeting, including short speeches from the endorsed Left Unity Slate candidates, endorsement of other statewide candidate(s), and info on how grassroots Greens can help out our slate, so they can have a great campaign!

Continued work by the Committee/Working Group will include:

- (1) We're continuing to go through lists of previous Green candidates and activists to identify good statewide candidate prospects for Lt. Governor.
- (2) We will also be working on a "Needs Assessment", which will list various "needs" for the GPCA to undertake in order to have the best campaign possible for our statewide candidates. However, our top priority right now is to identify a Lt. Governor) candidate, and to also prepare for the start of the signature-gathering.
- (3) As we have been, we are planning to continue meeting every other week, on Thursday evenings

APPENDIX E

48 HOUR VOTE - Proposal for CC to place Bylaw Amendment on General Assembly agenda

Voting Period: Starts Oct 13 at 9:20 PM and ends on October 15, 9:20 PM

Sponsor: James Lauderdale and Laura Wells

Background and Purpose: In the Standing General Election (SGA) of June 2021, twelve Coordinating Committee positions were open, but nobody was elected. No Other Candidate

(NOC) was ranked #1 by 19 delegates. This left only 8 members in the 24-member committee. This Bylaw Amendment will allow delegates to use the NOC option, and will also allow other candidates that pass the threshold to be elected, thus reflecting the preferences of the 50+ other delegates. The purpose of this 48-hour vote is to allow the agenda item to be submitted to the General Assembly (GA) Planning Committee on time on the due date of October 15. Proposal: That the CC approve placing on the GA agenda a decision item about the following Bylaw Amendments be made to Section 7-2.4 [Delete the words shown **striked out**. 7-2.4 Voting Systems

7-2.4(a) Multi-Seat Elections: Ranked Choice Voting Each delegate shall be provided a ballot containing the names of the candidates in alphabetical order. The ballot shall also include a No Other Candidate option. The delegates shall vote by ranking the candidates along with the No Other Candidate option in order of preference. The ballots shall be tabulated utilizing a Ranked Choice Voting system with fractional transfers and a Droop threshold, 1/(n+1) (1/3 threshold with two open seats). No candidate shall be seated who does not cross the threshold before No Other Candidate. For the purpose of calculations, n = 00 open seats shall be adjusted, when necessary, so that the value of n = 01 shall not be higher than the number of candidates qualified for the ballot.

7-2.4(b) Single Seat Election: Instant Runoff Voting Each delegate shall be provided a ballot containing the names of the candidates in alphabetical order. The ballot shall also include a No Other Candidate option. The delegates shall vote by ranking the candidates along with the No Other Candidate option in order of preference. The ballots shall be tabulated utilizing a Ranked Choice Voting system and a majority threshold, 1/(n+1). No candidate shall be seated who does not cross the threshold before No Other Candidate

Implementation/Timeline/Resources:

At the conclusion of the CC 48-hour voting period, James or Laura will tally the online votes and post the results to the CC email list, listing who votes yes, no, or abstained on the proposal. This on-line vote requires a majority of members for quorum and a majority of yes plus no votes for approval. If approved, the agenda item will be submitted to the GA Planning Committee on October 15, 2021.

RESULTS: The tally of online votes for this proposal were - YES votes: 8 (David Bond, June Brashares, Barry Hermanson, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Nicole Raglin, Laura Wells). No votes: None

*The proposal was approved to place on the December 4-5 General Assembly agenda a decision item to amend GPCA Bylaws Section 7-2.4

APPENDIX F

48 HOUR VOTE - Approval of General Assembly Draft Agenda

Voting Period: Starts Oct 20 at 9:45AM and ends on October 22, 9:45AM Sponsor: Laura Wells, CC member, and Tarik Kanaana, GA Planning Agenda Team Background and Purpose: The CC needs to approve the draft agenda before it can be sent out to the inform list no later than six weeks before the General Assembly. This deadline is Friday 10/22 thus the need for the 48 hour online vote.

Proposal: The CC approves the following draft agenda for the December 4th and 5th General Assembly.

Draft agenda of the Green Party of California General Assembly, December 4th & 5th, 2021

Saturday, December 4th

8:00-9:00 am Registration/check-in. Please check in early so that the opening of the General Assembly is not delayed. Once you have been checked in you will be able to turn your video and audio off until it is time to start.

Facilitator(s): TBD

9:00-9:20 am Opening Session: welcome - Agreements - other info

9:20-9:30 am Quorum Count - for starting GA and approving agenda

9:30-9:40 am Agenda Approval

9:40-10:50 am Decision: 2022 Budget and Strategic Plan. (Finance Committee)

Presenters: Mica Danial and Justin Richardson

10:50-11:00 am Break

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Presentation: TBD Invited speaker on Issue

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch Break

Facilitator(s): TBD

1:00-2:15 pm Discussion: <u>County delegate introductions and round robin</u>. (Marin County Greens) All active counties at the GA have a few minutes each to introduce their delegates and identify some of their priorities, challenges and successes.

2:15-3:15 pm Decision: Bylaws amendment regarding "No Other Candidate." (Coordinating Committee) Presenters: James Lauderdale and Laura Wells

3:15-3:30 pm Break

3:30-5:00 pm Discussion, Decision: 2022 Statewide Candidates presentation and endorsement (Statewide Candidates Subcommittee) Present endorsed statewide candidates (the "Left Unity Slate"), each will speak; 2) Endorse Luis J. Rodriguez for Governor. 3)Present additional statewide candidate(s) for endorsement; 4) Present info about campaign needs and how individual Greens and county Green groups can get involved.

5:00 pm Adjourn for Saturday

Sunday, December 5th

9:00-9:30 am Registration/check-in. Please check in early so that the opening of the General Assembly is not delayed. Once you have been checked in you will be able to turn your video and audio off until it is time to start.

Facilitator(s):TBD

9:30-9:40 am Opening Session: welcome - Agreements - other info

9:40-9:45 am Quorum Count.

9:45-10:30 am Discussion: Platform (Seeking input)

10:30-11:30 am Discussion: The party's position on Recall Reform (ERWG)

Presenter: Michael Feinstein

11:30-12:30 pm Discussion: The path forward for future SGA Votes (Bylaws Committee) The Bylaws Committee would like to engage delegates in an exploration of options for improving the virtual/online discussion and voting process

12:30-1:00 pm Lunch Break

Facilitator(s): TBD

1:00-2:00 pm Discussion: Representation for the People Act (ERWG)

Presenters: Kevin Sabo and Caledon Myers A presentation on a statewide initiative proposal: The Representation for the People Act.

2:00-4:00 pm Discussion: 7 proposals coming in front of the next SGA (GPLAC)

- (1) GPCA Direction to CC Posting CC agendas and minutes
- (2) GPCA Bylaws Amendment CC Duties and Responsibilities
- (3) GPCA Bylaws Amendment CCWG Duties and Responsibilities
- (4) GPCA Bylaws Amendment Endorsements/Opposition of Statewide Ballot Measures and Candidates

- (5) GPCA Bylaws Amendment Rescission of Endorsement of Statewide Candidates
- (6) GPCA statewide candidate endorsement procedures
- (7) GPCA Bylaws amendment Declining counting votes of a statewide candidate

4:00-4:05 pm Next General Assembly Meeting Date and Place

4:05-4:15 pm Closing Session

4:15 pm Adjourn

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RESULTS: The tally of online votes for this proposal were: YES votes: 13 (David Bond, June Brashares, David Cobb, Mica Daniel, Barry Hermanson, Greg Jan, James Lauderdale, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Nicole Raglin, Audra Walton, Laura Wells)

NO votes: 1 (Nicole Castor)

*The proposed Draft Agenda was approved; the draft GA agenda for Dec 4-5 is to be sent to the GPCA inform list.

APPENDIX G

Late item request: email from Nicole Castor

---- Forwarded message -----

From: Nicole Castor < nmcastorsilva@gmail.com >

Date: Mon, Nov 1, 2021 at 7:38 AM Subject: [gpca-cc] Late Item Request

To: GPCA Coordinating Committee < gpca-cc@lists.cagreens.org >

CC,

Sorry for the late request, I've been caretaking someone with covid this week. I hope it's not too late to add to the agenda. Request is also attached.

Late Item Request

Nov. 1, 2021 CC Meeting

Discussion Item, and/or Information and records requests can be done offline within a 10-day timeframe

Re: Proposed Sept. 2021 Minutes, Yolo County Activation

A summary from a 48-hour vote to activate Yolo County is mentioned in the minutes to be approved at this upcoming Nov. 1 meeting. I can't access the list archives, and had heard it was broken, so I can't see if there is more information submitted from Yolo, not in the minutes. So, I am checking in to discuss the following.

I'd like formal answers to these questions to be included in the minutes for the Nov. CC meeting, or in a separate document, (and if not, I encourage CC members to take notes on the explanations given) so that an explanation can be shared with the members of GPCA.

- 1. The email from Yolo refers to attached minutes, but they don't seem to be shown in the appendix of the CC minutes.
- a. Will they be added to these (CC, Sept.) minutes?
- b. Can they be forwarded to me or the CC list?
- 2. The timing of the SGA, and desire to participate, are listed as the reasons justifying a 48-hr emergency vote. But, voting in an SGA is an ordinary activity of active counties, i.e., not "extraordinary." Does this mean that any county which requests activation can have the process approved within 48hrs and that this will be the new standard practice moving forward? a. If no, please explain why Yolo has privilege over other counties.
- b. If so, will the CC be proposing a bylaws amendment that reflects this practice, so that all potentially active counties know that they have the same opportunity?

- 3. A 48-hr Emergency vote seems to indicate that there was likely not a 21-day notice for their organizing meeting. Was there such a notice? (Y/N)
- a. If yes, can this information be included in these minutes, and/or forwarded to me or the CC list?
- b. If no, why did CC members approve Yolo County, when the bylaws state this requirement, even for "County Organizations?"
- 4. Why was this activation considered an emergency when Yolo's been considered active and most likely voting since Sept. 2020?
- a. Did they become inactive, or was there another reason; please explain reason, if not deactivation.
- b. If it was due to deactivation that Yolo re-applied, when, and for what reason did the deactivation(s) occur?
- c. If there was a deactivation, was it reported to the Yolo County Registrar of Voters (ROV)?
- 5. Concerning official recording of the Yolo County Council to the County ROV:
- a. Did the CC send written notice of certification to Yolo County ROV within 30 days of the September 2020 CC meeting which claims certification this term?
- b. Did the CC send late written notice to Yolo County ROV, after a 30-day period following the Sept. 2020 CC meeting mentioned above? If so, what was the date?
- c. If any such prior notice had been sent, will there be an explanation added to this current recertification when it is sent to Yolo ROV, as referenced in the proposed Sept. CC minutes as happening within 30 days of Sept. 19, 2021; if so may I be forwarded this?
- d. By the time of this meeting, it will have been over 30 days from the time mentioned in Sept. 2021 minutes. Has the notice been sent to Yolo ROV, and can a copy be forwarded to me or the CC list?
- 6. Was there anything other than adding "...certifying the listed Active Counties..." to the language of a proposal (the word, "certify" was entirely absent in all the language of the Sept. 2020 minutes), that compelled the CC to re-vote in July 2021, on what it claims it did in Sept. 2020 ("Re-Affirming CC Approval of Active Counties")? And does this mean that the Sept. 2020 "decision" does not stand?
- 7. If Yolo is listed as "being active" in CC minutes from both Sept. 2020 and July 2021, and now in Sept. 2021, they ask again for activation, were the first two actions found not valid? If so, by whom?
- 8. If it is the case that Yolo is determined to have not been active prior to Sept. 2021, and a timeline can be established around their active and inactive periods, will the recent SGA vote results have been impacted and if so, will they be corrected?

Thank you for considering these questions as I search for understanding in what is happening here. Answers may lead to a better understanding of how we may strive to always operate in a way in line with our rules and state law, and be transparent in our work, and inclusive to local Greens forming county organizations.