Minutes 10/23 GPTX SEC Teleconference

Ken Gorham, Wes Gaige, Laura Palmer, Don Cook, katija gruene, Natalie Upchurch, David Wager, Antonio Diaz, Martina Salinas - quorum at 7:45

Natalie Upchurch reports she is unclear about her financial reporting requirements. Discussion to clarify.

Review & approve agenda items

Disconnected & Reconnected call to isolate background noise. Laura asked Antonio to mute his speaker & he left the call approx. 7:55

Approve September minutes (it was a good meeting, please review!) pending file attachment https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CN4C-vakPD3YX5VyMDvRFJyKQZ8z8We5YypXLyiq0Q4/edit

Election push - literature distribution! Now is the time to put all those people who have said they want to volunteer to work hanging door hangers in their neighborhoods & handing out flyers on their campuses or push cards at their polls. If you still have yard signs, coordinate putting them up outside polling locations. Please help facilitate this for your local! People have more energy & enthusiasm about working with an alternative party now than ever so establishing relationships now is key for the future success of the party. Please make sure your local is getting into Nationbuilder to contact people in your area who’ve said they want to volunteer.

- Please report local literature supply levels to kat
- SEC pre-authorized up to $1000 in additional printing costs as needed

October 7th meeting did not make quorum, though Laura (Mary, Martina, & Wes?) did have about 20 minutes of discussion about the Oct 14-17 Stein campaign visit, which overall went well. Discussion?

Current campaign - Ajamu Baraka visits scheduled for 10/28 & 29 in DFW & Houston. Discussion of details? General format is to have about 3 local candidates (flexible) speak beforehand. -
- Summary of event planning details, concern over airfare costs, travel needs confirmation
- SEC pre-authorized rental car provision for the campaign visit up to $200

Review & Approve press release draft - pending confirmation https://gptx.nationbuilder.com/admin/broadcasters/1/mailings/231/preview

Review & Approve GOTV email draft - “March to the polls! Party in the streets!” - approved without objection https://gptx.nationbuilder.com/admin/broadcasters/1/mailings/229/preview
Looking ahead: After the election we need to translate our momentum into an improved & more effective organization. We need to continue to strengthen the state party’s organizational foundation in terms of record keeping & information dissemination as well as clarify for participating local parties role descriptions and minimum functional expectations. For our November agenda, I, suggest we begin planning our next state meeting for April 2017, to include blocks for training & essential workshops.

- SEC favors a working retreat & a state meeting in the summer per bylaws & will begin to plan next month.
- Wes reiterates that slack functionality would accomplish much & asks everyone to start using it.

Regional coordinator questions - Recent changes in regional coordinator assignments did not yet sufficiently consult with county parties in Harris & possibly Bexar counties. It is of course the intention of the SEC to work with both individual volunteers & county parties in negotiating who takes on volunteer roles. Harris County has the matter of the Region 9 coordinator assignment scheduled for its 10/24 agenda. As the county parties give input, assignments may need to be revisited.

Adjourn 8:35