

August 2019 SEC Meeting

Aug. 18 7PM

**Attendees:** Alfred Molison, Janis Richards, Donald Palmer, Laura Palmer, Wes Gaige, Alán Alán Apurim, Diane Wood, David Collins, David Prout, Kevin McCormick, Don Cook, Travis Christal, Nancy Saibara-Naritomi

**7:10 Call for Adjustments to Agenda**

Alfred reviewed agenda, no additions.

**7:20 Review of June Meeting SEC Meetings**

Don Palmer – Minutes should be briefer, just documenting what happened. Maybe keep this as notes, but submit briefer record for official meetings.

Alfred – Simplified notes would be better – just what was passed, votes, etc.

With no objections, June minutes are approved.

**7:35 July Minutes**

A truncated version of the July minutes will be produced.

All follow-up items are already on August agenda.

**7:36 Financial Statements & Reports**

Don Palmer – \$1,900.73 in BVBA Transfer has been made from PayPal and funds will be available for August 24<sup>th</sup> payment of 1,864 to Nationbuilder. \$421.91 Remains in Paypal account.

Travel & Meeting expenses or conference were \$1,414.53

### **7:39 Selection of Additional National Committee Delegate**

No ready volunteers – representatives will discuss with local groups to find a willing participant.

### **7:44 State of Ballot Access Lawsuit**

Diane – Spoke with Texas Ethics Commission, 1<sup>st</sup> Attorney gave her the wrong form, Christina Atkins (director) said they are working on it and will get back to her. Everything from the GP has been put on hold due to a recent lawsuit filed by GP.

Diane will send the email to Laura Palmer, who will send it & with other updates & written communications to Oliver Hall. Laura Palmer will highlight that the Secretary of State's office has caused delays, candidates' petition signers must not vote in other party primaries, and the couple of paragraphs we have saved for a call for candidates email blast.

Janis – Ken Paxton filed motion to dismiss. Any updates?

(there were none)

Candidates must pay money by December, without guarantee that they will be our candidates (before primary).

Alfred – Is anyone on the call intending to run for office in 2020?

(there were none. Janis is running in 2019, Kevin will run in 2022)

Laura Palmer suggested we release the call for candidates after contacting people who have already expressed interest in running.

Alfred agrees.

### **8:03 Process for Candidates with no Local Green Party**

Diane – Do they need to create a local county party first?

Laura Palmer – the SEC could designate a temporary co-chair.

Wesson Gaige – Filing is done with state co-chairs, no local county party is necessary.

Laura Palmer – see Party Operations Manual on Resources page.

### **8:33 Changing the Voting System**

Alán Alán Apurim - current system dissuades voting for any but the 2 leading candidates not just better for other parties, but better for everyone. This should be a priority.

### **8:35 State Council**

Laura Palmer will assist in the setup and announcement of the August 25<sup>th</sup> vidcon

9:13 Diane – add me to outreach, remove from eco-action

## 9:25 Fundraising

Don Palmer – funds low, need to raise funds

K McCormick – events (conferences, etc.) might be good

maybe crowdsourcing like gofundme, etc.

## 9.35 Meeting Adjourned

For next time:

- matt will simplify ASM & July notes & uploaded
- don palmer will review Nationbuilder donations setup
- matt will remove Diane from eco-action, add to outreach
- kevin will work on operations manual, re: groups
- have formatted agenda uploaded to google drive folder weekend of Sept. 7th
- continue to seek-out candidates
- new national delegate volunteer?
- remove Diane from Eco-action, add to outreach
- fundraising ideas

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1EcJC8uAKSkbhJ5LYHIHXS8decynvxqGo>