Presidential Campaign Support Committee Report to NC

The Presidential Campaign Support Committee (PCSC) will start discussion on its draft work plan for the 2013-16 election cycle. Most deadlines are moved forward in the new work plan, and there is substantially more detail in the work plan, especially involving Presidential debates and post-election outreach. Coordination with other GPUS committees will be essential, as a successful nomination process also involves the Annual National Meeting Committee (ANMC), Ballot Access Committee (BAC), and Delegate Apportionment Committee (DAC).

As mentioned in the Presidential campaign debriefing, some of the outstanding issues include the difficulty in getting information from state parties about their delegate selection processes, the lateness of the Presidential apportionment process, the relative lack of media attention for non-CPD Presidential debates, delays in receiving matching funds, and the need for better post-election outreach. The PCSC’s draft work plan helps GPUS, state Green parties, and Green Presidential candidates meet a schedule that improves our chances for success in the upcoming election.

PCSC Draft Work Plan:

2014:
November 8: Encourage Greens to recruit Presidential candidates
December 31: BAC completes updated plan for ballot access in 2015-16

2015:
February 1: Complete questionnaire to state Green Parties
February 15: Send out questionnaire
March 1: DAC submits Presidential delegate apportionment to NC
May 1: State parties return questionnaires to PCSC
June 1: Annual National Meeting Committee submits convention site
June 15: States submit information on Presidential preference processes
July: Annual National Meeting; encourage candidates to declare by now
July 15: Convention site finalized
September 1: Complete schedule for primary debates
October 1: Start outreach to Presidential candidates on state processes
December 1: Presidential candidates turn in signatures of 100 supporters*
December 31: Presidential candidates file with FEC*

2016:
February 1: Presidential candidates raise $5,000*
March 15: Finish state processes other than state-funded primaries
April 1: Start outreach on general election debates
May 1: Encourage Presidential candidates to reach primary matching funds
Early July: Presidential Nominating Convention
July 20: Get lists of registered Greens and primary voters to nominee
August 1: Complete schedule for general election Presidential debates
September 1: Start organizing post-election outreach
October: Presidential Debates
November 8: Election Day
December 1: Start post-election outreach

*Deadlines are part of PCSC rules.