

MINUTES OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE GREEN PARTY OF SANTA BARBARA – May 12, 2004 – as approved and amended on May 26, 2004

IN ATTENDANCE: John Foran, Nancy Broyles, Consuelo Delgado, Leo Raabe, Dave Wass, Patricia Hiles, Bud Boothe, Paul Kirsch

The meeting began at 7:30 and was held at Nancy Broyles house due to a problem with access to our regular meeting place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patricia Hiles (PH): Reminder, Reigning in Corporate Power Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> starts at 7 at the Faulkner, Bud Boothe to speak.

She also said that she cannot attend meetings on May 26, June 9<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Bud Boothe (BB): he had a successful highway pick up and there will be another protest at Vandenberg on May 15<sup>th</sup>

John Foran (JF): SB Can is grateful that the Greens have joined them and welcomes other individual members.

Paul Kirsch (PK): there is a movie “The Day After Tomorrow” which is to air on Labor Day about global warming and we should hand out Green literature and registration at the movie theatres.

HOUSE KEEPING

Minutes of April 28 accepted

JF: we received one piece of mail, from Californians for GE Free Agriculture. They have an event in August.

Treasurer’s report has a balance of \$1395.00

We have 138 members, 144 households and 24 of these have 2-member households.

PH: Barsamian’s talk took in \$280, Poise (the Reigning in Group) would like to request \$50 for their expenses incurred in assisting this talk.

The group agreed to this.

ADDITIONS:

DAVE WASS (DW) : Art Schwartz has a petition to reverse the cuts on all veterans benefits.

DW: read his strategy for the SB Plan – elect local greens defeat Bush

JF: Suggested amending statement to add second option – support safe state strategy, not swing states, this is the David Cobb strategy.

Leo Raabe (LR): this is complex but we agree to grow the party and defeat Bush.

NB: Its too early in the game we can discuss this at the June 13 fundraiser.

PH: Disagree. Not too early. We are sending 3 candidates to Sacramento and it may be an unknown group of people to endorse. The CC has to decide before Sacramento and Milwaukee.

DW: seconds PH

Consuelo Delgado (CD): We should make a consensus now.

PH: We should adopt the SB plan w/options spelled out by JF.

JF: It is not incoherent to have 2 options, to endorse a not all-out campaign and not support Nader.

Paul Kirsch (PK): JF plan is hard to understand and will be hard to explain in Sacramento or Milwaukee. Also how safe are the safe states. Is California safe?

CD: would still support Nader

PH: not sure if any state is safe

Bud Boothe (BB): If CA is lost to Republicans we can quit.

DW: It will be busy with ideas in Sacramento.

JF: It is fluid, CA is safe, the plan is important because it brings a critique of Bush.

NB: we cannot make a consensus

LR: We need to work on a strategy for Wisconsin

DW: at Sacramento we need to decide what will we do on a second round. We have 3 votes.

JF: we can discuss this more on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

PH: proposes the double option.

Group did not accept the double option.

#### TIME SENSITIVE

##### A. Summer Solstice

LR: June 26 Summer Solstice was \$175 nor \$200 deadline in 2 days.

NB: we should ask for donations at the table and be sure to use the word “donation”.

\$200 Fee accepted by group.

##### B. FUND RAISING TRAINING

There is a meeting on fund raising, Nancy, Patty, Dave and Consuelo are interested. We have money for 3 people at \$150 it is 9-5 for 2 days

PH: maybe there is a way to have 4 people go. She will check on it. Expense was accepted by group.

##### C. IV PARKING PERMITS

JF: explained campaign to stop IV permits. One point is racism.

NB: Proposes we accept endorsement of campaigning to stop permits

Group: passes 6 to 1

##### D. GREEN SCENE

JF: We need to quickly submit paragraphs describing the working groups. Otherwise things are moving forward on time.

##### E. GREEN SUNDAY

NB: we used to have a Green Sunday every month. We should have a dinner and theme. She suggests- program – the elections, dinner, video. With a \$10 fee for fund raising. This was endorsed by the group for June 13.

##### F.

##### UNITARIAN EVENT

The group agreed to sponsor (no cost) an event on May 27 called Another World is Possible which is a presentation by Howard Richards.

The meeting closed at 9 PM.