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Subject: [GPCA-SGA-Votes] Discuss ID 156: Bylaws Amendment: Procedures for Recall
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Discussion has begun for the following GPCA SGA ranked choice vote:

Ranked Choice Vote ID #156

Ranked Choice Vote **Bylaws Amendment: Procedures for Recall**

Ranked Choice Vote Administrators: Victoria Ashley, Brian Good, Laura Wells, Eric Brooks, Mike Goldbeck

Discussion 02/12/2018 - 03/25/2018

Voting 03/26/2018 - 04/01/2018

Voting ends at Midnight Pacific Time

Background

Current recall procedures reserve the right to initiate and approve recall petitions to county councils, rather than county organizations themselves. This is an obstacle to fuller participation in party governance by the GPCA, as defined in Bylaw 3-1. In addition to promoting clarity by complying with Bylaws 4-1 and 4-4, revising this provision would also ensure that the GPCA's own procedures for encouraging oversight and good governance of the party organization are more consistent with two of the party's 10 Key Values: decentralization and grassroots democracy. This proposal also removes an inconsistency found elsewhere in the bylaws regarding the duties and responsibilities of both the General Assembly (GA) and Standing General Assembly (SGA) (cf., GPCA Bylaw 7-6.2(g)).

Proposal

That GPCA Bylaw Article 8-5.2 be amended as follows:

That Article 8-5.2 be amended from its current text:

8-5.2 A Recall Petition must contain the written basis for removal, be approved by County Councils representing 35% of the total number of General Assembly delegate seats, and must be received by the Coordinating Committee before it can be forwarded to the General Assembly for a vote. The written basis for recall must be based upon substantial malperformance of the duties of the Coordinating Committee as defined in these Bylaws.

to read as follows:

8-5.2 A Recall Petition must contain the written basis for removal, be approved by 35% of the total number of General Assembly or Standing General Assembly delegates, and must be received by the Coordinating Committee before it can be forwarded to the General Assembly or Standing General Assembly for a vote. The written basis for recall must be based upon substantial malperformance of the duties of the Coordinating Committee as defined in these Bylaws.

References: GPUS 10 Key Values, GPCA Bylaws 3-1, 4-1, 4-4, 7-6.2(g).

Sponsors: The proposed amendment has been endorsed and sponsored by the Green Party of Butte County and the Green Party of Yolo County.

Full details will be available at: http://www.sjcgreens.org/sga_vote_bylaw_interpretations

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