

## **GPCA Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **Monday January 4, 2021 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM**

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#### **(1) Roll call: (5 minutes)**

There are currently 19 CC committee members. This means quorum is a simple majority of 10. Doug Barnett, David Bond, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Meg Buckingham, Mica Daniel (alt. female co-co), Barry Hermanson, Tarik Kanaana, James Lauderdale, Mimi Newton (female Co-co), Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Shannel Pittman, Nicole Raglin, Justin Richardson, John Schmit, Audra Walton, Laura Wells.

**Present (16):** Doug Barnett, David Bond, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Meg Buckingham, Mica Daniel, Tarik Kanaana, Mimi Newton, Nassim Nouri, Karen Nyhus, Christine Pepin, Shannel Pittman, Justin Richardson, John Schmit, Audra Walton, Laura Wells.

**Absent (1):** James Lauderdale

Quorum with 15 CC members present at 7:36

At 7:40: Barry Hermanson joined

At 7:52: Nicole Raglin joined

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#### **(2) Roles (2 minutes):**

Facilitator: Shannel, Notetaker: Nassim, Timekeeper: Vibes-watcher: Audra

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#### **(3) Approval of Agenda (3 minutes)**

##### **(3A) Late Items**

Proposed Late Item (10): Subject: Decision Item: Preparations for Jan. 23-24 CC retreat (15 mins) – approved to place at item (7c)

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**(4) Approval of CC minutes (2 minutes)** As posted by David Bond on Jan. 3, 2021, at 10:11 PM

**Approved with minor additions and formatting suggested by June**

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#### **(5) Consent Items (5 minutes)**

Background and Purpose: The consent calendar is intended to pass non-controversial items or items consented prior to the actual meeting. Any item may be objected to and that item will be placed at the end of the evening's agenda.

Proposal: Accept the following committee reports for inclusion into the meeting minutes:

**Appendix A** - Clearinghouse and GROW monthly report - posted December 27th @2:35 pm by Laura Wells

**Appendix B** - Finance Committee monthly report - posted on December 19, 2020, @7:12pm by Maxine Daniel

**Appendix C** - IT Committee monthly report (Sept/Oct/Nov/Dec)- posted December 24, 2020 @10:11 AM by David Bond

**Appendix D** - Bylaws Committee Monthly Report - posted on December 27, 2020, @12:49 PM by Mimi Newton

**Appendix E** - GPUS Delegation Committee Monthly Report - posted on December 29, 2020, @ 3:35 PM by Tarik Kanaana

**Approved by consensus**  
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**(6) Action Items Update (10 minutes)**

**(6a) Result of Doodle Poll for CC retreat - Mimi Newton**

Jan 23 (10:00 am - 12:00 pm) and Jan. 24 (2:00 pm - 4:00 pm)

**(6b) Update Re: Diana Brown/Susan Lamont terming out of Media Comm - Mica Daniel**

- Mica reported that she checked with Diana and Susan whose terms ended in Nov 2020, and neither have applied for reappointment to the Media Committee.
- June noted that there are currently 2 Media members Laura is a spokesperson and ex-officio voting member, and Meg is a Coco as CC appointed liaison.
- Meg as CC Lisison and Coco will check ask Diana to ask for admin status and ask if Diana is continuing to post, the CC will address authorizing this and recruiting for committee.

**(6c) Results of 48 Hour Voting Since the last CC meeting. - Nassim Nouri (Appendix F)**

GPCA to host (or cohost) a short series of public educational presentations on Eco-Socialism: Results posted by Nassim on 12/29/2020 at 1:35 pm as follows:

The proposal passes with 18 CC members voting; 17-YES, 1-NO, 0-Abstain. Results are as follows:  
YES (17): Mimi Newton, Mica Daniel, David Bond, June Brashares, Eric Brooks, Laura Wells, Tarik Kanaana, James Lauderdale, Nicole Raglin, Christine Pepin, Nassim Nouri, Barry Hermanson, John Schmit, Meg Buckingham, Audra Walton, Justin Richardson, Karen Nyhus  
NO (1): Shannel Pittman

**Dec. Action items:**

- IT update SGA webpages with vote results
- IT to load approved Nov CC minutes on website
- June to draft Nov. GA minutes
- Mimi to write up a letter for a call for applications Statewide Candidate Subcommittee

**New Action Items:**

- Meg to check in with Diana to give her FB/Tw admin status.
- Eric will pass on all online social media assets keys to IT Cocos Nicole and David
- Justin will work with CC members on amending 5G proposal (approved with amendments)
- Mimi to inform SCSC applicants of their appointment.
- Karen will send a CC listserv discussion and will send email polls for feedback on the CC Jan 23-24 retreat agenda. DONE

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**(7) Appointment of Committee Members**

**(7a) Nicole Raglin Appointment as SGA Administrator**

This is my application to serve as an Admin for the SGA, for a two-year term.

As a member of the Green Party of California who is involved deeply on a county level with the Nevada County Green Party, I have served on the IT committee for the past two years, and I am one of two current Cocos. I am a current SGA Admin and a new member on the CC.

**Biography**

I am an active member of the Nevada County Green Party and I also lend my support to our local Peace and Justice Center, Nevada County Health Care for All and the Nevada County Extinction Rebellion. During the pandemic I have become heavily involved in our local Left Mutual Aid Group, and am a member of a coalition that is pro-mask wearing and safety precautions for COVID-19. I am a founding member of GMO-Free Nevada County, and work regularly with a local coalition to stop the Centennial Dam Project.

I prefer red wine over white and proudly Anti-fascist.

Thank you for your consideration.

Nicole Raglin

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All affirmed.

**Nicole Raglin was appointed to IT Committee by consensus**

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**(7b) Appointment to CC Statewide Candidate Sub Committee: (7 applications received as of 5:40 pm 1/4/21)**

- Robin Rowe statement posted to CC December 30, 2020, @ 10:19 PM
- Jared Laiti statement posted to CC on December 30, 2020, @ 10:23 PM
- Greg Jan statement posted to the CC on January 3, 2021 @ 10:00 PM
- Steven Breedlove statement posted to the CC on January 4, 2021 at 1:14 PM
- Ashley Frame statement posted to the CC on January 4, 2021 at 1:17 PM, as amended at 4:11 PM
- Susan Schacher statement posted to the CC on January 4, 2021 at 4:16 PM
- Jake Tonkel statement posted to the CC on January 4, 2021 at 5:36 PM

**Discussions:**

- All agreed with a suggestion to vote on Robin Rowe separately from other candidates.
- Multiple members brought up concerns about appointing Robin Rowe to any GPCA committees due to his difficulty in working in teams and his philosophy about how candidates should run campaigns without recourses.

**By consensus, Robin Rowe was not appointed to the SCSC**

The remaining candidates were considered for appointment all together.

- Shannel suggested we need many more than 8 members appointed to this committee due to the large amount of work.

- Mimi mentioned that the idea has been that the members can invite others to join and help the SCSC as advisors and for specific tasks.
- June suggested the CC take gender equity seriously and possibly hold off on appointments other than Ashley and Greg, but she will stand aside with the hope that the current committee member build a more diverse team.
- Nassim suggested that the SCSC may decide to expand beyond 8 members as hopefully there will be more diverse applicants but suggested that CC appoint all the candidates (except Robin) so this team can get to work quickly.
- All agreed that once the SCSC forms, it will be authorized to manage their own internal procedures and process.

**Approved by consensus to appoint Jared Laiti, Greg Jan, Steven Breedlove, Ashley Frame, Susan Schacher, and Jake Tonkel to the SCSC.**

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**(10) Decision Item: Position Statement on 5G Wireless Technology Environmental Oversight (Justin Richardson)**

**Posted to CC on December 23, 2020 @8:46pm. See Appendix H**

From: Justin

Please see the below and attached (Word doc and PDF are identical) agenda item for our Jan. 4meeting. My hope is that you may have an opportunity to look at this over the next few days, such that if there are any major concerns I will have a brief window of time to edit, then re-post a “final” version to the list by Dec. 28 (one week before the meeting). I look forward to hearing any “major” feedback soon, or if none then further discussion at our January meeting.

**Decision Item:** Position Statement on 5G Wireless Technology Environmental Oversight  
**Sponsor:** Justin Richardson

**Background and purpose:** The CC discussed the idea of drafting a position statement at our December meeting. The informal consensus was that this format was preferred over a platform plank due to the evolving nature of the topic and due to the fact that much more research is needed on the health and environmental aspects. Applying the precautionary principle, we can advocate for the needed safety testing and environmental review, and stress that local communities should have some oversight of the rollout of the new technology. This draft language was largely assembled by Sarah Aminoff with editing assistance from Justin Richardson and Greg Jan.

**Proposal:** See attached document for proposed position statement language.

**Implementation/Timeline/Resources:** The statement would be added to the website and sent as email blast to notify readers of our position.

**References:** Similar resolutions passed by Sierra Club SF Bay Chapter and California Progressive Alliance were distributed via email (from Justin Richardson) to the CC list on 12/7/20.

Justin Richardson

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**Discussion:**

- All generally support this proposal but friendly amendments were suggested.

- Nassim suggested to simplify and create a summary bullet point section to make it more usable for public / online communication.
- Eric strongly suggested adding the Precautionary Principle (the principle that the introduction of a new product or process whose ultimate effects are disputed or unknown should be avoided).
- Christine also had suggestions on the technical descriptions.

**Deferred: Justin agreed to work with CC members, Nassim, Eric, Christine, to amend the proposal, and will submit an amended version later for an online or CC call vote.**

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**(9) Discussion - The GPCA-IT committee would like to add to the agenda for our first meeting of the new year the following discussion item.**

Discuss our communication platform and preview a new system (Discord), to be considered for future adoption.

posted to CC on December 22, 2020, @ 8:35 PM by David Bond.

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**Discussion:**

David suggested that IT has been looking into alternatives to the listserv platform used by GPCA that has missed many security patches and are not always backing up properly. Other modern and high-feature communication platforms are available like Discord.

IT suggests that the GPCA CC, committees and teams consider trying Discord as a communication platform in a parallel trial project.

- Shannel had concerns about the lack of accessibility of Discord
- Karen asked about capability of Discord in project management, file sharing and scheduling tools
- David will look into those issues and report back to CC.

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**(10) Proposed Late Agenda Item:**

**Subject: Decision Item: Preparations for Jan. 23-24 CC retreat (15 mins) (Appendix H)**

**Sponsors:** Mimi Newton, Marin County, Karen Nyhus, Sonoma County

**Background and Purpose:** Discuss and agree to focus for two 2-hour sessions at CC retreat for Jan. 23 (10 am-12 pm) and Jan. 24 (2 pm- 4 pm)

**Proposal:** Review and approve

- (1) proposed dates and times;
- (2) goals for retreat;
- (3) proposed surveys to Standing Committees and Working Groups to request brief and basic information for 2021 Workplan;
- (4) preliminary agenda and roles

**Implementation/Timeline/Resources:** Zoom Invitation to be sent to the CC by Co-Co Mimi after tonight's decision.

**References:** GPCA Bylaws, Section 11-2 Strategic Plan

The Coordinating Committee shall present a draft Two-Year Strategic Plan to the General Assembly for approval along with the annual budget, using input from a brainstorming session of the General

Assembly and the Work Plans of the Committees and Working Groups. The Two-Year Strategic Plan shall include a two-year General Assembly schedule, including potential agenda items, based upon the requirements for General Assembly decisions in these bylaws and the projected agenda items in the Work Plans of the Committees and Working Groups. The two-year General Assembly schedule shall be revised annually, with scheduling remaining flexible and final agenda approval for each General Assembly up to each General Assembly.

CC Internal Procedures at <https://www.cagreens.org/committees/coordinating/procedures>.

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### **Discussion:**

Karen shared two documents with CC. See Appendix H. email to CC failed (Tarik forwarded to CC listserv at 1/4, 9:58).

There was no time for discussion.

Karen will start a CC listserv discussion and will send polls to answer some of the questions she had intended to bring up about the CC retreat agenda.

### **Deferred decisions for details of retreat preparation to online discussions**

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**Appendix**

#### **Appendix A**

#### **Clearinghouse Committee & Grassroots Organizing Working Group (GROW) 12/8/20 - 7:30pm**

**ATTENDEES:** CH co-coordinators: Mica Daniel (Alameda) and Nassim Nouri (Santa Clara)  
GROW co-coordinator Laura Wells (Alameda)

**ATTENDEES:** Rick Greenblatt (San Diego), Barry Hermanson (SF), Greg Jan (Alameda), Karen Nyhus (Sonoma), Christine Pepin (Santa Clara), John Schmit (Stanislaus)

**ROLES - FACILITATORS** Barry, Christine; **NOTE-TAKER** Laura; **TIMEKEEPER** Mica

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

\* Brief discussion on renaming GP to Independent Green Party of CA. John Schmit will do more research and bring it back next time

\* Brief discussion of CH and GROW missions and interconnections

#### **CLEARINGHOUSE REPORTS - Nassim and Mica**

\* Reported on materials inventory - which will move from Mica to Nassim

\* Tri-fold literature is available for use after pandemic winds down

\* Blast is planned for next week; Laura will send her General Assembly statement

#### **PROJECT DISCUSSION - Re-Registration Drive - Rick Greenblatt**

See also GROW email from Rick sent 12/8/20 at 7:27pm

\* Summarized requirements to maintain ballot status - 2% vote, 0.33% voter registration

\* Other facts: current state registration is under 0.4%; GPCA is OK through 2022 because of 2018 statewide election results of over 2%

\* San Diego is beginning now to develop the process blueprint; other test cases include Santa Clara and Sonoma Counties; process will vary by county, due to ROV differences, etc.

\* Timing; during pandemic shutdown, use especially email, phone, postal mail and text

\* Literature dropping at doors can also happen, use mapping apps

\* When possible, face-to-face like Australian Greens is effective

\* Good to find out how many had switched to Dems, PFP, and NPP

\* Discussed how far back to look for formerly registered Greens, late 2019, late 2015, earlier?

- \* Old or bad emails could trigger spam problems
- \* GROW can provide templates for emails and phone scripts, other assistance & resources
- PROJECT DISCUSSION - Winning Medicare for All in CA - Barry Hermanson**
- See also GROW notes of 11/10/20, which were included in meeting announcements
- \* Millions of people who are near poverty and/or who rely on MediCal should represent a large base of support, e.g. for a ballot initiative
- \* GPCA could consider being a convener of other involved groups
- \* GPCA needs to update our healthcare platform plank so we can point to it
- \* Medicare for All can be an increased focus in our literature, voter registration efforts
- \* Statewide races, particularly the Insurance Commissioner, could advocate for M4A
- \* Barry will develop a one-page strategy paper
- NEXT MEETING - Second Tuesday conference call, January 12, 2021, 7:30pm.**
- ADJOURNED - 8:35PM**

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**Appendix B**

**Finance Committee Meeting December 19, 2020 From 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM**

- (1) ROLL CALL: Rusal Cayangyang (Treasurer), Mica Daniel (CC Liaison), Frank Lambert, Justin Richardson (Treasurer-elect), John Schmit,
- (2) Approval of Agenda by consensus
- (3) Approval of Minutes posted to GPCA CC on Monday, November 2, @ 5:49 pm by Mica Daniel (See Appendix A) by consensus
- (4) Please review 2020 and 2021 schedules and deadlines from FPPC when we need to turn in our forms:

[Political Party Committees](#)

<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules/where-and-when-to-file-campaign-statements/when-to-file-campaign-statements-state-local-filing-schedules.html>

December 2020 end of year filing due January 2021

- (5) Treasurer Monthly Report:

**November Treasurer Report**

<b>Account Balances as of</b>	11.21.20
Travis Credit Union state acct	10,157.94
Travis Credit Union federal acct:	1,601.14
Main PayPal	2,719.63
Old PayPal	258.53

Link to Proposed 2021 Budget including actuals up to 11/21/20

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WAS NO FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR NOVEMBER, 2020

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**DECEMBER REPORT:**

Travis Credit Union state acct 13,072.83  
 Travis Credit Union federal acct: \$1,601.07  
 Main PayPal \$498.01  
 Old PayPal \$215.74

**Expenses:**

\$100 Liquid Web Wired Tree  
 \$104.45 Call Centric  
 \$200 Treasurer

**Upcoming Expenses:**

\$200 SF PO Box  
\$800 Insurance Annual renewal?

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(6) Transition: DISCUSSION/DECISION

(6.a) Annual Insurance Renewal

Action items: Justin will take care of

(6.b) P.O.BOX RENEWAL

Action item: Mica will contact Barry Hermanson for Jeannie Rosenmier's contact information. Have her send the key to Justin Richardson

(6.c) DIRECT FILE

Action item: Neither Treasurer has experience with Direct File. Both have had experience with Net File. Justin will get a quote from Net File.

(6.d) FINES: Ruscil will follow-up with the S.O.S. office on how we can pay our fines.

(6.e) Meetings: Dates & Time

NEXT MEETING: January 16, 2021, from 6:00 PM til 7:00 PM.

Discussion on moving our monthly meeting back to 4th Thursday evening after the new Treasurer takes office.

Adjourned @ 6:50 PM

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**Appendix C**

**IT Committee Reports from Dec/Nov/Oct/Sept**

**GPCA-IT Committee Monthly Meeting, Sunday 12/21/2020, 7:00- 8:30 pm**

1. Roll call: GPCA-IT members: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC),

Members present: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC)

Absent: -- Quorum: 2/3 Quorum At 7:00

2. Roles: Facilitator: David Bond Note taker: Nicole Raglin Timekeeper: Audra Walton Vibes: -  
*Discussion (d), Decision (D), Information (I) \* Decisions made \*\* Action Items*

3. Approve or amend the agenda (3 min) (dD): Nicole first/Audra second. Approved

4. Approve last month's Meeting Minutes (2 min) (dD):

Nicole First, Audra Second. Approved

5. Review to-do from last meeting.

6. It request review

7. December meeting goals prepare goals for IT 2021

Move website away from Drupal to consolidate on Nation Builder

List serv update, move to a functional, less archaic system

Individual goals

8. Nationbuilder questions answered

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**GPCA-IT Committee Monthly Meeting Sunday 11/16/2020, 7:00- 8:30 pm**

1. Roll call: GPCA-IT members: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC),

Members present: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC),

Absent: Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC)

Quorum: 2/3 Quorum At 7:00

2. Roles: Facilitator: David Bond Note taker: Nicole Raglin Timekeeper: Vibes:  
*Discussion (d), Decision (D), Information (I) \* Decisions made \*\* Action Items*

3. Approve or amend the agenda (3 min) (dD): David first/Nicole second. Approved

4. Approve last month's Meeting Minutes (2 min) (dD): David First, Nicole Second. Approved



5. Review to-do from last meeting.
6. Nation Builder review.

Over the next month David Bond will explore Nationbuilder and bring any questions to an email conversation or the next IT Meeting.

7. Drupal Review, discussion regarding backing up of website. Nicole will attempt to back up the current drupal site via a third party program.

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### **GPCA-IT Committee Monthly Meeting Sunday 10/19/2020, 7:00- 8:30 pm**

Next teleconference: 11/16/20

1. Roll call: GPCA-IT members: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC),

Members present: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC)

Absent: --- Quorum: 2/3 Quorum At 7:00

2. Roles: Facilitator: David Bond Note taker: Nicole Raglin Timekeeper: Vibes:  
*Discussion (d), Decision (D), Information (I) \* Decisions made \*\* Action Items*

3. Approve or amend the agenda (3 min) (dD): David first/Audra second. Approved

4. Approve last month's Meeting Minutes (2 min) (dD):

David First, Nicole Second. Approved

5. Review to-do from last meeting.

6. Discussion regarding GA

Nicole is not sure that she can assist with technical, her connection is not always reliable. David has an appointment that Saturday. We can edit the recordings if needed post meeting.

7. It request review

8. December meeting goals prepare goals for IT 2021

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### **GPCA-IT Committee Monthly Meeting Sunday 09/13/2020, 7:00- 8:30 pm**

Next teleconference: Monday 10/19/20, 7:30 - 9 pm

1. Roll call: GPCA-IT members: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC),

Members present: David Bond Co-Co (LAC), Nicole Raglin Co-Co (NC), Audra Walton, CC Liaison' (MC)

Absent: --- Quorum: 3/3 Quorum At 7:00

2. Roles: Facilitator: David Bond Note taker: Nicole Raglin Timekeeper: AW Vibes: AW  
*Discussion (d), Decision (D), Information (I) \* Decisions made \*\* Action Items*

3. Approve or amend the agenda (3 min) (dD): Audra First, Nicole Second. Approved

4. Approve last month's Meeting Minutes (2 min) (dD): Audra First, Nicole Second. Approved

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1i6hUNVK9HAYpzMPGEoSiF7nzqPdawtt1VOV7zZe2UKk/edit>

5. Review to-do from last meeting.

6. IT Protocols (Nicole 5 minutes)-Nicole will do.

7. AJ-List Serv (Nicole/Bond 5 minutes)-Nicole Send Email, We spoke.

8. Routine clean up of cold callers-Last day of each month.

9. Adding GA minutes to NB

10. Budget - RR

11. Wish List

- Nicole will add everyone to NationBuilder, and to Drupal.

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**Appendix D**

**Monthly Bylaws Committee Report to the GPCA Coordinating Committee, December 2020**

From: The GPCA ByLaws Committee  
To: The GPCA Coordinating Committee  
Date: Dec. 6, 2020  
Submitted By: Mimi Newton on behalf of James Lauderdale, Co-Co ByLaws Committee

Date of the last ByLaws Committee Meeting: Sunday, Nov. 8 at 2:15 pm (there was no October meeting).  
Present: Mimi Newton (Marin), James Lauderdale (Los Angeles)

Date of the next ByLaws Committee Meeting: Sunday, December 13, at 12:30 pm

Any significant actions the Committee is taking:

A. We have been reviewing Nassim's recommended revisions to the CC's internal procedures for updating; There is general agreement with the changes that Nassim made to the Internal Procedures. Some stylistic but no substantive changes were made. We will work on recommendations to the CC at the December meeting.

Continued work by the Bylaws Committee will include: Continued effort to ensure Bylaws on GPCA Website are up to date.

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**Appendix E**

**GPCA Delegation to GPUS meeting agenda, Monday, Dec 28, 2020 at 7:30 pm**

**-Welcome/chat** (5 min)

-Attendance: Tarik Kanaana. Richard Gomez. Rick Greenblat. John Schmit. Peggy Koteen. Noura Khouri. Nassim Nouri. Susan Lamont. Mike Fienstien . Susan Chunco. David Bond. June Brashares.

**-Roles:** (2 min) - Facilitator: Richard G, Notetaker: Noura, Timekeeper: David B. Vibes:

**-Setting Agenda.** Any additions or changes (2 min) Add 2 items at end

**-Announcements/reminders.** (1 min)

**-Decision: 2021 Schedule of regular monthly meetings of the delegation.(5 min)**

The monthly meeting takes place, normally, on the fourth Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday or otherwise creates a conflict. At the start of each year the schedule of regular meetings is set for the year.

Proposal: The schedule of regular monthly meetings of the delegation for 2021 shall be as listed below. The meetings will be held at 7:30 pm on the listed dates. The date and time of a regular monthly meeting can be changed with two weeks notice. 1/25, 2/22, 3/22, 4/26, 5/24, 6/28, 7/26, 8/23, 9/27, 10/25, 11/22, 12/27.

Proposal- to move meeting to 6:30. Peggy will email the list to start a 6 day discussion then move to vote(?)

Will move to an online vote. Will get out the vote in the next few days.

**-On the NC voting queue.**

- **Voting: none**

- **Discussion:**

- **ID 1030 - De-Accreditation of Green Party of Alaska**

- Discussion 12/21/2020 - 01/03/2021

- Voting 01/04/2021 - 01/10/2021

- General consensus to encourage people to vote YES! To de-accredited the Alaska green party.

MIKE comments: The affiliation agreements were documentation to support the FEC national committee filing, to show that the ASGP/GPUS really did manage the day-to-day affairs of the Green Party in the US. They were generally made with state parties already affiliated, usually for a long time, since we really didn't have legal documentation of the relationship. Also, a preemptive move against an expected GPUSA challenge to the FEC filing since state affiliations were not a core requirement for the FEC accepting our claim to national committee status. We were expecting the FEC to be skeptical so we wanted to cover every aspect we could.

- (late addition) Discussion: GPCA presidential preference primary  
Discussion of CA SOS criteria for being on primary ballot

- (late addition) Discussion/announcement: Eco-socialism  
Green Ecosocialist Network/program being planned - first event planned Jan 16 for California Green's. GPCA to approve cohosting educational event.

We heard general concerns by one member about democratic nature of ESN and what the plan is to bring in more green discussions etc. Overall concerns not shared by members engaged in the program and general consensus of group responses in overwhelming support of the effort.

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## **Appendix F**

### **Results of 48 Hour Voting Since the last CC meeting. - Nassim Nouri**

*VOTING PERIOD STARTS NOW and continues through Tuesday, December 29, at 10:50 am.  
Please vote by replying to this email with your vote of "Yes", "No", or "Abstain".*

*A 48 hour votes require 2/3 quorum (13 CC members), and an approval threshold of 80% (of the yes and no votes)*

**Subject/Title:** GPCA to host (or cohost) a short series of public educational presentations on Eco-Socialism with the first one scheduled on Jan 16th 2021.

**Co-sponsors:** David Bond, Nassim Nouri, June Brashares, Nicole Raglin, Noura Khouri, Michael Rubin, Vicente cruz, Susan Lamont.

### **Background and Purpose:**

- There have been a number of Greens (listed above and others) about how the Nov GA EcoSocialism presentation was inspiring and educational for many attendees. Discussions also suggested the value of GPCA offering more public presentations as a form of outreach and engagement.

- This group is proposing to have similar presentations to the one at the Nov GA be hosted by the GPCA publicly. This provides an opportunity for Greens who did not attend the GA to see the specific presentation as well as those non-Greens interested in Eco-Socialism and its relevant current programs.

This group has proposed a series of three presentations about EcoSocialism with the first scheduled on Saturday Jan 16, at 1pm (PT), and the other two presentations occurring in the following 2-3 months.

- This will allow GPCA start hosting public presentations and grow our outreach and interaction both inside and outside the party by putting our zoom capability to use,

- The reason for the 48-hour vote is to allow sufficient time for GPCA committees to work with the organizers to promote the Jan 16 event.

**Proposal:** GPCA to host (or cohost) a short series of public educational presentations on Eco-Socialism with the first one scheduled on Jan 16th 2021.

**Implementation/Timeline/Resources:**

If approved, the events may or may not need to be hosted on the GPCA Zoom platform. GPCA Media and Clearinghouse Committees will help promote the event(s) using GPCA newsletters and social media platforms. Recording of the event will be made available on GPCA online platforms. The sponsors will plan and organize presentations under a general format of an educational series.

**References:**

Nov 2020 GA EcoSocialism video link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fIYsQdyhxEQ&feature=youtu.be>

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**Appendix G**

Green Party of California Position Statement on 5G Wireless Technology Environmental Oversight

The Green Party of California (GPCA) calls on Federal, State and local representatives to 1) require robust environmental review of 4G/5G wireless exposure and to halt FCC satellite networks on earth and in space until reviewed by scientists independent of industry due to new information on climate, pollution and health impacts; and to 2) reduce exposures<sup>1</sup> and allow for local control over the deployment of 4G/5G (and future generations) small cell installations.

The federal government is fast-tracking a rollout of 5G on earth and in space.<sup>2</sup> A 2018 FCC ruling and federal legislation limits local control and waives environmental review of 5G in the public right-of-way.<sup>3</sup> The 5G network of 100,000+ FCC satellites violates international treaties and is in direct violation of the FCC’s rules and procedures.<sup>4</sup> Concerns include ozone depletion from soot and particulates emitted during 5G rocket launches,<sup>5</sup> climate change<sup>6</sup> and increased energy consumption<sup>7</sup> due to manufacture and support of the Internet of Things (IoT).<sup>8,9,10</sup> The FCC has not updated its guidance with the latest science<sup>11,12</sup> and is subservient to industry over community safety.

5G requires an additional 800,000 proposed small cell sites placed in proximity of people, parks, and wilderness, as well as over 100,000 satellites linked with existing land-based macro-towers. Infrastructure was brought to market with no safety testing.<sup>13</sup> No environmental agency has set limits to ensure safety for bees, trees or birds.<sup>14</sup>

GPCA advocates for local control, environmental review and public consent—that present policy supporting 4G/5G technology takes away—and minimizing energy consumption to limit climate change. GPCA supports policies requiring risk assessment for human and environmental health, public safety, security and privacy. GPCA urges lawmakers to move forward with safer technology, following the lead of other municipalities<sup>15,16</sup> and including recommendations such as those put forth by the New Hampshire Commission on 5G in its comprehensive final report<sup>18,19</sup> citing recent science<sup>20</sup> on non-ionizing radiation health and 5G environmental impacts.<sup>21</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Reduce exposures “As low as reasonably achievable” (ALARA). Exposure of the general population to RFR from wireless communication devices and transmission towers should be kept to a minimum and should follow the “As Low As Reasonably Achievable” (ALARA) principle  
<https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/10916020933093/cell%20tower%20bioeffects%20levitt%20lai%202010.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> FCC Commissioner Rosenworcel argued that the new ruling exceeds the authority provided to the FCC in the 1996 Telecom Act, see: <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-adopts-rules-facilitate-next-generation-wireless-technologies>

<sup>3</sup> FCC Commissioner Rosenworcel argued that the new ruling exceeds the authority provided to the FCC in the 1996 Telecom Act, see: <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-adopts-rules-facilitate-next-generation-wireless-technologies>

<sup>4</sup> Summary and problems with untested satellites, see: <https://stop5ginternational.org/satellites-whats-happening-above-our-heads/>

<sup>5</sup> Rocket emissions, see: <https://eos.org/features/the-coming-surge-of-rocket-emissions>

<sup>6</sup> Climate change impacts, see: <https://ehtrust.org/climate-change-and-5g>

<sup>7</sup> The latest Government Accountability Office (GAO) Report notes that [limited information on 5G is quite troubling](#), including the projected tripling or more of energy and permanent compromise of the night sky, see:

[https://www.ibtimes.com/why-race-5g-mirage-3101033?fbclid=IwAR3p8qkwA\\_wnnqJQ1tE9bHGivQDgQ2mspj3Un5C95wVC6se85p5XVxpFCpqU](https://www.ibtimes.com/why-race-5g-mirage-3101033?fbclid=IwAR3p8qkwA_wnnqJQ1tE9bHGivQDgQ2mspj3Un5C95wVC6se85p5XVxpFCpqU)

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2017/dec/11/tsunami-of-data-could-consume-fifth-global-electricity-by-2025>

<sup>9</sup> Mega energy consumption, see: <https://www.fiercewireless.com/tech/5g-base-stations-use-a-lot-more-energy-than-4g-base-stations-says-mtn>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.eff.org/deeplinks/2019/02/enough-5g-hype>

<sup>11</sup> 2018 U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP) & Italian Study Confirm Cell Phones Cause Cancer. In January 2020 the National Institutes of Environmental Health (NIEHS) published the following article from NTP scientist Michael Wyde, Ph.D., confirming brain, heart and adrenal tumors and that more research is underway to understand the impact of adding 5G millimeter waves to the existing exposures from 2G, 3G and 4G radiation: <https://factor.niehs.nih.gov/2020/1/community-impact/5g-technology/index.htm>  
<https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/whatwestudy/topics/cellphones/index.html>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29530389/>

<sup>12</sup> See Ramazzini study in Italy, which corroborates the NTP study findings:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0013935118300367?via=ihub>

<sup>13</sup> Wireless carriers concede they are not aware of any independent scientific studies on safety of 5G technologies, see:

<https://www.blumenthal.senate.gov/newsroom/press/release/at-senate-commerce-hearing-blumenthal-raises-concerns-on-5g-wireless-technologys-potential-health-risks>

<sup>14</sup> FCC and ICNIRP limits were not developed to protect our flora or fauna. New “small” cell towers (taller street lights and utility poles) will substantially increase ambient environmental levels of radiation. Birds perch on cell antennas, bats bees and pollinators will be flying directly through radiation plumes. Trees will receive high exposures. <https://ehtrust.org/research-studies-on-impacts-to-the-environment-from-wireless-trees-plants-pollinators-birds-and-wildlife/>

<sup>15</sup> Hawaii County Council bans 5G until proven safe, see: <https://ehtrust.org/hawaii-county-council-to-consider-resolution-banning-5g-until-proven-safe/>

<sup>16</sup> The Washington DC Advisory 3/4G Committee Resolution “Opposing Small Cell Wireless and 5G Technology Without Studies Confirming Safety, see: <https://anc3g.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/ANC-Resolution-re-Small-Cell-Wireless-9-27-18.pdf>

<sup>17</sup> Furragut-Tennessee Resolution, see: <https://ehtrust.org/wp-content/uploads/Furragut-Tennessee-5G-Resolution-.pdf>

<sup>18</sup> 5G health and environmental effects, see: <https://mdsafetech.org/2020/11/17/new-hampshire-commission-studies-5g-technology-health-and-environment-effects/>

<sup>19</sup> New Hampshire State Commission Recommendations, see page 9 -17

[http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/statstudcomm/committees/1474/reports/5G final report.pdf](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/statstudcomm/committees/1474/reports/5G%20final%20report.pdf)

<sup>20</sup> Ibid, New Hampshire State Commission, see Appendix D, p 75-86

<sup>21</sup> The Healthy Heaven’s Trust Declaration will become part of the *Expedited/Emergency Petition for*

*Rulemaking* being submitted to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regarding their permissive regulatory vacuum on the Satellite Licensing Program, and *requires the FCC to develop new rules and procedures based on this systematic risk assessment*. To read the Declaration, watch a short explanatory video interview of Julian Gresser, and to sign the Declaration as an organization and/or individual, go to <https://www.5g-ilan.com>.

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## Appendix H

**Proposed by Karen Nyhus, 1/4/21, 7:14 pm to CC Coco.**

**Bylaws Requirements for CC Retreat: Possible Topics for GPCA Retreat Jan 23 (10-12) & 24 (2-4)**

*This retreat is NOT required in our bylaws. We can do with it what we want.*

**Our bylaws DO require us to get Work Plans and submit a Strategic Plan/Budget.**

Let's review the bylaws and then decide what we need to do with our retreat.

**Bylaws:**

**Article 11. Strategic Planning (as last amended 1/18/2013)**

**Section 11-1 Work Plans**

Where it is specified in the bylaws that govern them, each Committee and Working Group shall prepare a yearly Work Plan. The Work Plan shall identify

- the **objectives** of that Committee or Working Group for the upcoming fiscal year,
- any **proposals** it foresees bringing before the General Assembly during that period, and
- a **projected timeline** of its **activities**.

The Work Plan objectives must be congruent with duties and authority of the Committee or Working Group.

Note: even if our WGs and Committees did all this, **there is a gap between OBJECTIVES and ACTIVITIES. Do people need help** planning (filling in the gap with milestones, strategies, deliverables, etc. so work is broken down and it's easier to recruit people to help do pieces of it?) What do they need?

**Section 11-2 Strategic Plan**

The Coordinating Committee shall present

a draft Two-Year Strategic Plan to the General Assembly for approval (now a cal) along with the annual budget, (we have and approved in December) using

- input from a brainstorming session of the General Assembly (have we done this?)
- the Work Plans of the Committees and Working Groups (how many/which do we have and what shape are they in? See above: objectives, proposals, draft timeline)

The Two-Year Strategic Plan shall include

- a two-year General Assembly **schedule** (on calendar)
- including potential agenda items, based upon
  - the **requirements** for General Assembly **decisions** in these bylaws and
  - the **projected agenda items** in the Work Plans of the Committees and WGs.

The **two-year General Assembly schedule** [NB: different from above "strategic plan"] shall be **revised annually**, with scheduling remaining flexible and final agenda approval for each General Assembly up to each General Assembly.

**POLLS**

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What should we focus on in the retreat:

Bylaws Requirements (work plans for WGs & Committees)

Strategic planning (ID GPCA-CC and WG/Committee challenges, brainstorm solutions)?

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Do we already know what our weaknesses are as GPCA, or do we need to identify/diagnose them?

Already know

Need to discuss/identify/diagnose

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What is the most important thing we need to do in Q1 as the CC?

Help WGs and Committees develop/complete Work Plans

Analyze this political moment (challenges and opportunities for GPCA): 2021-2022

ID internal strengths/successes & weaknesses (workloads, tools, skills, etc.)

Plan strategically for GPCA (ballot access, grow the party, go on offense)

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Are you willing to hold another 4-hr planning session in Q2 (April – June) if we can invite more GPCA members into planning & being involved in WGs & Committees?

YES

NO

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	<b>Who will do it? List above w/Q</b>	<b>Deliverable/ Outcomes</b>	<b>Reason for Doing</b>	<b>Help from other WGs</b>	<b>Confidence* we can do it (1-3)</b>	<b>What else we need?</b>	<b>What can we give up?</b>
<b>Project 1</b>							
<b>Project 2</b>							
<b>Project 3</b>							
<b>Project 4</b>							
<b>Project 5</b>							

Confidence: 1= very, 2=somewhat; 3=not at all confident

- 1) project name:
- 2) the deliverable/outcome of the project (be as specific and measurable as possible)
- 3) why you want/need to do it -- how it helps the party and our goals
- 4) when it needs to be done (Q1-Q4 2021 and into 2022 if necc): list each Q that a proj is active
- 5) what help from other WGs or committees do you need to complete it?
- 6) how confident are you that your WG/Committee can do it (with help from others in #5)?
- 7) what else do you need (resources, information, etc.) to be more confident you can do it?
- 8) what if anything do you need to give up, delay or de-prioritize in order to be successful (other projects/tasks)?