



The Green Party of Virginia

Information Technology Committee Status Report

Presented at the August 26, 2001 Quarterly Business Meeting of the GPVA

Accomplishments:

1. New website created:
 - o vagreennparty.com
 - Redirects to vagreennparty.org
 - o vagreennparty.org
 - New content:
 - Current issues.
 - Press releases.
 - Committees and Listservs.
 - State meeting agenda page.
 - New look:
 - Old pages have been reformatted with a consistent style.
 - New membership form:
 - E-mail notifications are now sent to local contacts and the co-clerks.
 - Welcome e-mail is sent to the new member.
 - o E-mail forwarding accounts created for local reps and Party officers, allowing contact info to be published on the website, while ensuring privacy. Contact information has been verified for all but two locals (see below).
 - o Rockbridge site redirected to new vagreennparty.org site.
 - o Webmasters linked to the Rockbridge site informed of move.
 - o New listserv for the GWC created - va-it@vagreennparty.org.
 - o Members with suggestions for the website can e-mail webmaster@vagreennparty.org. The suggestions will be discussed by the GWC.
2. Coordination with Newsletter Editors:
 - o The GWC has been in contact with the Newsletter Editors. As soon as a newsletter is available for publication, it will be posted on the website.
3. Revised standards for development tools:
 - o MySQL is our new database tool.

Problems and Solutions:

1. Meeting minutes have not been approved since the April 15, 2000 meeting, and therefore have not be published on the website. *Suggestion - approve a summary of the minutes - what was the topic and what was the result.*
2. Until the GPVA has met the requirements for official Party status in Virginia, candidates running as Greens cannot be endorsed on the website.
3. The membership database may not be entirely accurate, as there is currently no way for members to change their information. Also, there are many "At Large" members who live within the confines of an existing local. *As part of the creation of the announcements only listserv, all members in the GPVA database will be contacted and asked to verify their information. In addition, a script will be created on the website, allowing members to make changes to their information.*
4. We have no verified contact information for the Mary Washington College Greens and the Rappahannock Source Greens. These locals therefore have no contact information on the website. *If no contact is verified at the August 26th meeting, contacts will be determined during the database cleanup process.*

Goals:

1. Establish a privacy policy.
 - o Looking into: <http://www.info-law.com/create.html>.
2. Consolidate listservs and migrate them to the vagreennparty.org domain.
3. Allow members to update their membership information with a new script on the website.
4. List-serv for announcements to entire membership database.
 - o Limited use.
 - o Official announcements only of meetings and agendas.
 - o Adheres to no-spam policy of Green Internet Society
 - Members must opt in.
 - Members may opt out.
5. Discussion area on website.
6. Issues database - a place where we can show our progress on the many issues that Greens throughout the state are actively working on.
7. Create a page on how to start a new local.
8. New pages on committee reports - to be discussed with the committees.

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9. Add a map to the contacts page, making it easier for new members to find a local near them.

Needs:

1. The webmaster needs to be informed of changes to local representation, so that the locals' information can be updated promptly.

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Send your comments & suggestions to the [Webweaver](#).

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