Minutes of GPVA Special Business Meeting

Attendance

Present were: Kirit Mookerjee (Arlington), Charlie Jordan, Daniel Metraux and Will Rye (Blue Ridge), Sid Smith (CVG), Chris Fink (Fred.), Joe Galdo and Jim Lowenstern (NoVA), Tamar Yager and Audrey Clement (At-Large).

Quorum

Quorum consisting of at least half or four (4) of the seven (7) locals participating in the two most recent business meetings--Arlington, Blue Ridge, CVG, Hampton Roads and Richmond on September 19, 2015 and Arlington, CVG, Fred., Hampton Roads and NoVA on May 9, 2015--having been achieved, the meeting was called to order.

Officials

Sid facilitated and served as vibes watcher, and Audrey took notes.

Agenda modifications

The addition of the following items to the original agenda were approved by consensus:

a.. Proposal to improve website.
b.. Report on submission of state party questionnaire to PCSC.

A proposal to add to the agenda the question of sharing state party list with GPUS was adopted on a vote of 4-2-2 as follows:

YES - Audrey, Chris, Jim, Will
NO - Joe, Tamar
Abstain - Charlie, Sid

Agenda

The final agenda was approved as amended without objection as follows:

1.. Approve 2016 presidential candidate nominating petition.
2.. Select 4 delegates and up to 4 alternates to attend the 2016 Presidential Nominating Convention (PNC).
3.. Approve placement of GPUS presidential candidates recognized as of January 31, 2016 on GPVA primary ballot.
4.. Approve appointment of GPVA Members to GPUS committees.
5.. Proposal to share state party list with national party.
6.. Proposal to improve website.
7.. Report on submission of state party questionnaire to PCSC

Approve 2016 GPVA presidential candidate nominating petition.

Audrey reported that Jill Stein had agreed to have her name listed as GPVA presidential candidate on the petition and that she had obtained the consent of Howie Hawkins to have his name appear as the vice presidential candidate.

Audrey further reported that the following proposed candidates for presidential elector had agreed to appear on the nominating petition:

District 1 Christopher E. Fink
District 2 Edmund E. Dowe II
District 3 Ryan R. Ruff
District 4 Jeffrey B. Staples
District 5 Jana L. Cutlip
District 6 Daniel A. Metraux
District 7 Richard Johnston
District 8 Kirit Mookerjee
District 9 Clifford B. Anderson
District 10 William M. Lupinacci
Audrey moved to to circulate the 2016 GPVA presidential nominating petition with the names listed above appearing thereon.

Charlie moved to amend the list to nominate Darryl Cherney for President and Bill Kreml for Vice President. The amendment was defeated on a vote of 2-7-1 as follows:
YES - Charlie, Will
NO - Audrey, Chris, Daniel, Jim, Joe, Kirit, Tamar
Abstain - Sid

The main motion was adopted on a vote of 9-1-0 as follows:
YES - Audrey, Chris, Daniel, Jim, Joe, Kirit, Sid, Tamar, Will
NO - Charlie

Select 4 delegates and up to 4 alternates to attend the 2016 Presidential Nominating Convention (PNC).

The following amended list of approved delegates and alternates to the 2016 PNC was adopted by consensus with one abstention from Charlie:
Delegates - Audrey Clement, Chris Fink, Daniel Metraux, Sid Smith
Alternates - Kirit Mookerjee, Tamar Yager, Tom Yager

Approve placement of GPUS presidential candidates recognized as of January 31, 2016 on GPVA primary ballot.

A motion was offered by Sid to list all GPUS presidential candidates recognized by the GPUS Presidential Candidate Support Committee (PCSC) as of January 31, 2016 on the GPVA primary ballot as follows:
Darryl Cherney
SKCM Curry
Bill Kreml
Kent Mesplay
Jill Stein
None of the Above
Write-In

Audrey moved to amend the list to exclude Darryl Cherney, because he had not met GPUS' FEC filing requirement as of December 31, 2015 and to further amend the list to exclude SKCM Curry, because she had not met all the GPCA recognition criteria. The proposed amendment was defeated on a vote of 3-4-3 as follows:
YES - Audrey, Daniel, Will
NO - Chris, Kirit, Sid, Tamar
Abstain - Charlie, Jim, Joe

The main motion was adopted on a vote of 7-3-0 as follows:
YES - Chris, Daniel, Jim, Joe, Tamar, Sid, Will
NO - Audrey, Charlie, Kirit

Approve appointment of GPVA Members to GPUS committees.

Sid split the question of approving GPUS committee appointments between those whom GPVA can appoint directly and those whom the state party can merely nominate.

The following list of candidates for direct appointment to GPUS committees was approved without objection:
Accreditation - Tamar Yager
Annual National Meeting - Tamar Yager
Ballot Access - Audrey Clement, Tom Yager
BRPP - Audrey Clement, Sid Smith
Ecoaction, Audrey Clement
Fundraising - Audrey Clement, Tamar Yager
International - Charlie Jordan, Daniel Metraux
Presidential Support Campaign Committee - Kirit Mookerjee, Tom Yager
The following candidates were nominated for the following elective GPUS committees:

CCC - Sid Smith  
FinCom - Audrey Clement

**Proposal to share state party list with national party.**

Sid moved to refer the question of sharing the state party list with the national party to the Interim Committee. The motion to refer the proposal to the IC was approved by consensus.

**Proposal to improve website.**

Chris moved to convene the IT Committee to consider a proposal to convert the GPVA website to a WordPress blog with CRM capability with the caveat that no action be taken by the IT Committee until after the GPVA presidential primary. The motion to refer the proposal to the IT Committee was adopted by consensus.

**Report on submission of state party questionnaire to PCSC.**

Tamar reported that GPVA co-chairs had agreed to respond to the GPUS PCSC and CredCom state party PNC questionnaires, but that she was too busy to do it.

Chris Fink offered to handle the questionnaires in addition to conducting the GPVA presidential primary, which he had previously agreed to do.

**Next meeting.**

Fredericksburg, Charlottesville or Richmond at the end of May.

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B. Sidney Smith  
GPVA Co-chair

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