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Steps, Pam, Maureen, Brian Miller, Ruby Miller, Jenett, Isabell

#### Treasurer's Report

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Several new members joined and several people renewed last month. The new members were from La Porte, New Castle, Valpiraso, and from Bloomington. Maureen renewed the post office box. Sent a check for the domain registration. There are currently 42 members. Several people who joined and last years congress need to renew. Maureen checked on filing income tax forms with the IRS and found we don't need to do that until we make \$25,000 in one year.

#### TECH REPORT

Pam and Jenett will test the Pay Pal link after the meeting by having Pam pay her dues using the Pay Pal system. Tom hasn't been able to get a hold of Graham. Ingreens-discuss is now owned by us. Video conferencing system is still be worked on and we still need sites in Indy and Bloomington. Steps suggested we start with Polycom in October.

#### CONGRESS

Saturday (Sept 20th)

Bylaws and party building

Sunday (Sept 21st)

Platform building

Steps asked if we could ask a registration fee of \$10. Isabell said it should be \$5. A potluck was suggested, but thought it would be difficult since it is a 2 day affair. Jenett suggested we need people to take on responsibilities for the congress. Isabell offered to take on the food. Jenett proposed we ask for a \$10 registration, Isabell seconded. Passed by consensus. Pam offered to help with the food.

Saturday

Registration	10am-noon
Lunch	noon-1
Meeting	1-6pm
Entertainment	6pm-10pm

Sunday

Meeting	10am-6pm
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Pam said she knew of a musician that could come and play. Pam also knew of a possible speaker - Kenny Washington. Steps suggested James Alexander Thom as a speaker. Jenett offered to help with printing, registration, etc. Entertainment/Activities suggested was a bonfire with a talking stick, music and speakers.

Isabell wants to have a discussion about a national presidential candidate and wants to know what Hoosiers think about a national candidate. Pam said this should be on the agenda for the congress.

We then talked about how to get on the ballot. Brian suggested we get an expose done on the IGP on the PBS Across Indiana show.

Steps wants to know if we should contact The Bloomington Alternative eNewspaper about properly advertising IGP events. Jenett suggested starting with

Advertize on ingreens, website, and by locals.

Jenett will put together a registration form to be returned by Sept 13th. We will formalized the agenda as much as we can at the next meeting. Registration form should include accomodations (staying the night, camping, not staying the night). Publicity should include that people who run for state office need to have the endorsement of the IGP.

#### LIASON REPORTS

Pam didn't attend the Vicennes group considering running a Green candidate for the 8th congressional district because it was cancelled.

The group will keep us informed.

Steps attended the GPUS Congress. It was a very non-substantive meeting - more of a feel good meeting. They elected a coordinating committee. Talk a lot about the presidential candidate, but didn't vote on anything since it was thought to be a more local issue. It was discussed that maybe the presidential candidate should only run in "safe" states where the Green party won't spoil the Democrats chance. It was agreed that the Green party would endorse the call to impeach the president and vice president. It was also agreed that we call for the recall of US troops in Iraq, Afghanistan, etc. A indentity caucus accreditation process was agreed upon and an African outreach proposal was agreed upon. This outreach included a list of famous black speakers to go to predominatly black colleges and promote the Green party. Steps also met the secretary of the IGP from 1992 and brought back some documents from that. There will be a presidential nominating meeting in June 24-27, 2004. Since our deadline for gathering signatures is June 30, Steps has asked if we can collect signatures for the party and put the name on later.

#### LOCAL REPORTS

##### Marion County

Marion County's next meeting is this next Monday. They will be discussing the bylaws and the changes that have been made. The bylaws that were sent out were a rough draft and Maureen and Jeff have worked hard on making them better. Steps asked for a current version of the bylaws to be sent to him and both Pam and Steps are going to talk to Maureen and Jeff about them. Steps suggested that Marion County Greens should send a proposal to affiliate with the IGP again. The proposal can be vague and doesn't have to include the bylaws - they can be brought to the congress. Steps also encouraged Brown County to make a affiliation proposal. Marion county also needs to elect a delegate to the IGP both for the congress and the CC.

##### Brown County

Brown county is continuing their forums. Their forum before July 4 on freedom went well and they got a lot of good publicity. Their August meeting is about whether or not our society is just. Pam passed on the Brown county newsletter called the Green Gazette. They are doing a adopt-a-road project, tabling at the fair, and having a fall benefit/fund raiser to attract more members.

##### Monroe County

It's summer. They're not doing anything. They are working on a newsletter and tabling at the farmer's market.

Our next meeting will be August 16 in Indy. The plans are to go to the National Governor's Association meeting afterwards and rally. We will reimburse the St. Joe's Greens for gas.

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