

IGP CC Minutes, Nov. 15, 2003

Meeting called to order at 1:25 pm Present: Jim Coplen/NWIG, Tom Brown/SJVG alternate, Maureen Barlock/Marion, Isabel Piedmont/Monroe, Pam Raider/Brown, IGP officers William Stant/Co-coordinator, Steps to Freedom/Sean Bagley/Secretary, Jenett Tillotsen

Minutes from IGP CC meeting of Oct 18, 2003 approved.

Treasurers' report: Three new members, \$1020.30 in IGP account. Treasurer asked for approval to spend \$10. for copies of Campaign Manual and Campaign Finance Manual from Secretary of State office. Graham Pearson(observer at SJVG site) offered to download copy of these forms and NWIG will send out copies to locals. Locals will e-mail local party addresses to Tom so he can send out copies.

Tech report: Brown Co. has secured a site to hook up to Grahams video conference system to be used by Brown Co. and Monroe Co. delegates. NWIG and SJVG have sites available. Jenett can host a site in Lafayette for Central IN(including Marion Co) until Marion Co. is able to find their own site.

Ballot Access report: Steps announced that Presidential ballot access petitions(CAN-19) are available from the IN Secretary of State website. Due to last years ballot access bill in the IN Legislature never getting out of Committee, IGP will seek to get ballot access language attached as an amendment to some other elections bill. Delegates will begin to contact their State Reps to push for ballot access measures to be passed. Secretary agreed to contact ICFEL to let them know that we will be choosing the amendment tactic instead of seeking a freestanding ballot access bill.

GPUS report: Old votes;

Proposal to oppose FTAA- IN delegates voted yes, proposal passed.

Proposal to create a Dispute Resolution Committee for GPUS- IN delegates voted yes, proposal passed.

Proposal for Accreditation of Delegates to Presidential Nominating Convention. States are allowed to apply for waiver if state election laws do not allow Party registration. IN delegates voted NO, measure passed.

NEW Proposals:

Proposal opposing US intervention in Cuba, IGP approves

Proposal for Mission policies and procedures of BRPP Committee-delegate discretion

Strategic Planning Proposal: summary/ to build GP into National Political Force. Create a survey to be distributed to as many local Greens as possible; create strategic plan for goals and actions; would develop specific organizational plan based on survey.

Comments: Bill: language in proposal is too far reaching, it is up to the grassroots to discuss and decide philosophy.

Maureen: Greens are already united on issues, focus should be on issues, supports strategy.

Tom: GPUS is not linked to the Grassroots and is not designed to be able to do that. Proposal may be a good idea as way to link GPUS to grassroots.

Delegates to GPUS to forward most current language on proposal to CC.

Campaign 2004 report: Co-coordinators have drafted a questionnaire for potential candidates at State and National levels. IGP needs for people who expect to run for State/Federal offices to step forward soon. All potential candidates seeking IGP endorsement will be sent questionnaire by Co-coordinators.

Maureen stated Marion Co. will work to support state level candidacies.

Monroe Co. meets Tuesday, Nov. 18 and will be coming up with a local policy for campaigns.

SJVG will not likely have local candidates and will support national candidacies.

Delegates to take Presidential ballot access forms to their Locals to begin access drive.

IGP CC needs to figure out county by county who can serve as petition drive coordinators.

CC needs to be in further contact with David Cobb, an announced GP candidate for US President. Secretary agreed to forward ballot access/nomination forms to candidates.

Platform Committee report: Platform as approved by IGP Congress is available and will be posted on the IGP website. Platform Committee report will also be posted and is open to suggestion by Locals and Members for amendments/additions.

Isabel(GPUS delegate) will provide updates on GPUS Presidential Nominating Convention requirements for electors.

Discussion: IGP needs to ease management of IGP website and increase fundraising capabilities. IGP needs to expand minority outreach. Delegates will report back to CC on outreach efforts and results.

Reports from locals:

Brown Co.- sponsoring regular events, publishes newsletter

Monroe Co.- sponsoring local events, next meeting is to prepare for elections 2004, Dec. member meeting will address Christmas consumerism.

Marion Co.- next meeting is Dec 13, 9:30-3:30 where they will discuss local platform and hold officer elections.

NWIG- 10 Members, meetings move to different locations among their area.

SJVG- regularly invites outside speakers to their meetings, trying to renew contacts with labor, has begun cable access TV show which is self-produced by SJVG Members, there is a chance to expand show statewide.

The next meeting of IGP CC will be Dec. 6, 2003 from 1-3pm.