

From: Gary Swing

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 8:12 AM

To: Michael Haughey; Andrea Mérida Cuéllar

Cc: Laura Clark; Kevin Alumbaugh; david bell; Susan; Sean Friend; Scott Lupo; Judy Harrington; Tom Hall; Harry Hempy

Subject: Re: Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting Agenda

It is essential that the election of state officers be conducted AFTER the vote on the resolutions submitted by the Caucus to Restore Green Values, as several of these resolutions concern voting rights at the state meeting which will impact the nomination of state officers.

Gary Swing

On Aug 10, 2017 6:19 AM, Gary Swing wrote:

I think we should be able to agree to a reasonable compromise and level of accomodation. I agree with Andrea that other voices from our contingent need to be heard. Specifically, the voices of Harry Hempy and Judy Harrington need to be heard. Harry Hempy has been duly nominated as a candidate for state co-chair of the Green Party of Colorado. Judy Harrington has been duly nominated as a candidate for national delegate.

The Green Party council violated state party bylaws by revoking Judy Harrington and Harry Hempy's rights of participation in the Green Party of Colorado without an open hearing at the party's state meeting, with the right to face their accusers and publicly defend themselves against the absurd charges that were leveled against them. The state council violated the Green Party of Colorado's bylaws by suspending the Platte Valley and Jefferson County chapters from active status. These resolutions were invalid. They are therefore null and void. If the regime that currently controls the Green Party of Colorado acknowledges this fact, recognizes that the Platte Valley and Jefferson County chapters remain active party affiliates, and recognizes that Harry Hempy and Judy Harrington remain GPCO members in good standing who have been duly nominated for state party offices, then we could save some time time at the state meeting. The three resolutions to reinstate the Jefferson County and Platte Valley chapters, and to restore the membership rights of Harry Hempy and Judy Harrington would become unnecessary.

Gary Swing

From: Andrea Mérida Cuéllar

To: Michael Haughey

Cc: Gary Swing; Susan Hall; Kevin Alumbaugh; Tom Hall; david bell; Sean Friend

Sent: Tuesday, August 8, 2017 10:57 PM

Subject: Re: Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting Agenda

I think we need to hear from other voices in your contingent.

Andrea Mérida Cuéllar

sent from mobile; please forgive typos and/or tone.

On Aug 8, 2017 10:52 PM, "Michael Haughey" wrote:

Hi Dave,

We attempted repeatedly to participate on the forum and we were ignored, derided, insulted, slandered, and attacked. This is about posting properly submitted proposals and putting them on the schedule.

The agenda is replete with scheduled times for reports and reviews by every official individual and minor subdivision within the party structure. You could combine several of these to make time for discussion of topics that the members wish to bring forward. You could eliminate the entire hour devoted to reporting on chapter implementation 3.1, since this can be done during the multitude of opportunities for reporting and reviewing.

Thanks,

Michael

From: david bell

Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 9:36 PM

To: Michael Haughey

Cc: Sean Friend; Kevin Alumbaugh; Susan Hall; Tom Hall; Gary Swing; Andrea Merida

Subject: Re: Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting Agenda

Hi Michael,

This is not about whether or not there is a deadline. It is about the fact that the meeting planning thread has been open to all council members for almost four months. You have not attempted to participate in that process in any capacity, and then one week before the meeting, you bypassed the council proceeding and emailed the secretary demanding that 11 proposals be added to the meeting agenda. This request is unreasonable, and I honestly do not agree with your assertion that these proposals are neither long nor difficult to understand. If each of these proposals is given 10 minutes for presentation, discussion, consensus building, and voting, that process will take nearly two hours of meeting that is five hours and forty five minutes long. That is too much time to demand on this limited notice, especially considering the fact that you have chosen not to collaborate in this process at all.

You were presented with three reasonable compromises two days ago and have still not demonstrated any willingness to consider them. I urge you to decide which of these options you would like to choose soon, or offer some other option that takes the existing circumstances into consideration.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to compromise.

Dave

On Tue, Aug 8, 2017 at 7:44 PM, Michael Haughey wrote:

Hi Sean,

No deadline was announced for proposals. Historically proposals have been taken from the floor at annual meetings. That is the way of democracy. Our proposals are neither long nor difficult to understand. Please post and announce them if that has not already been done.

The applicable rules state:

By-Law 4.2.4. All decisions of the Council are subject to review at the next state meeting and may be overturned by a 60% vote.

Procedures and Guidelines 3.2.5. Proposals brought to the agenda of a state meeting must be made by local chapters or a minimum of 5 individuals at large, by the Council, or by any Officer of the GPCO. A written statement of the proposal must be sent to the Council by a representative of the sponsoring local, or by a member at large accompanied by evidence of at least 4 other member's endorsements. The statement and evidence may be done by email or on paper.

Thanks,

Michael

From: Sean Friend

Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2017 4:41 PM

To: Michael Haughey; Kevin Alumbaugh; Susan Hall; Tom Hall; Gary Swing

Cc: Andrea Merida; david bell

Subject: Re: Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting Agenda

Michael,

What you are asking for is impossible. Even if I were solely responsible for the agenda, the notice you've provided would not be enough to restructure the meeting. The meeting agenda has been in the planning process for several months and can't be changed at the last minute. Please note that the draft agenda for the meeting was posted in April on the forum under 2017 Annual Meeting Workgroup and any suggested changes should have been communicated there. I'm sorry that you waited until the week before the meeting, but your request can't be accommodated as is.

Please advise on the options I've listed above.

Sean Friend

Secretary

Green Party of Colorado

On Sun, Aug 6, 2017, 4:26 PM Michael Haughey wrote:

Hi Sean,

30 minutes is not enough time at an annual meeting for proposals. Please schedule adequate time for discussion.

Thanks,

Michael Haughey

From: Sean Friend

Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2017 3:49 PM

To: Michael Haughey; Kevin Alumbaugh; Susan Hall; Tom Hall; Gary Swing

Cc: Andrea Merida; david bell

Subject: Re: Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting Agenda

Good afternoon folks,

I'm seeing eleven proposals here and it's less than a week before the state meeting. Each of these proposals are going to require a significant amount of discussion, amendment, and consensus building even before going to a vote, even if there were no procedural issues with them (and I see several). There's no way that we can effectively accommodate such a large number of proposals in the thirty minutes currently scheduled for proposals and resolutions, even if there were no other proposals on the floor (there are already four). I see three options at this point:

1. A local runs these proposals through the Council (especially since many of them are related to Council operations and structure).
2. Your group chooses two or three proposals that you would like to put on the floor, with the understanding that time for discussion will be severely limited.
3. All eleven proposals are brought to the floor for a simple up/down vote.

Please let me know how you would like to proceed. I've copied the Co Chairs on this email so they are aware of the proposed agenda changes.

Sean Friend
Secretary
Green Party of Colorado

On Sat, Aug 5, 2017, 7:48 PM Michael Haughey wrote:
Hi Sean,

Please place the attached Proposals for the August 12, 2017 GPCO Meeting on the Agenda.

Thanks,

Michael Haughey