

## Green Party of Louisiana 2020 Convention

The state convention of the Green Party of Louisiana was held on June 22, 2020 via a Zoom videoconference. Secretary Romi Elganar was present representing the outgoing Coordinating Committee. The convention was led by party member William Boartman. Voting in the convention was open to all registered Greens in Louisiana.

Lieutenant Governor David Zuckerman of Vermont spoke and held a question and answer time about his experience growing the Progressive Party of Vermont. Renate Heurich of Louisiana then gave a presentation on the Climate and Ecological Crisis as well as on Environmental Racism. Presidential candidate Dennis Lambert of Ohio also spoke about his presidential campaign.

The convention unanimously passed a set of updates to the party by-laws:

Article 1 Section 3 was amended clarifying that party members could not be registered members of other political parties recognized in the state of Louisiana and must be supporters of the state party taking effect on June 22, 2020.

Article 2 Section 2c was amended to change language from at-large membership representing the interests of member without locals to representing the interests of all party member

Article 2 Section 2d was amended to increase the number of consecutive terms allowed on the Coordinating Committee from 2 to 3.

Article 2 Section 2e was amended requiring the Coordinating Committee to coordinate with locals and at-large membership to fill any vacancies as soon as humanly, legally, and ethically possible.

Article 2 Section 2f was amended adding two representatives to the Coordinating Committee from each local.

Article 2 Section 3d was amended to allow the Coordinating Committee to waive the automatic resignation of Coordinating Committee members who miss more than two consecutive meetings by a unanimous vote of the remaining Coordinating Committee members. Also proxy voting by Coordinating Committee members was banned.

Article 2 Section 3e was amended to add maintaining and supervising the party's social media, website, broadcasting, and publishing as well as any other appropriate media to the Coordinating Committee's responsibilities. Also the Coordinating Committee shall appoint a media coordinator by simple majority. This position can be revoked by a simple majority vote as well.

Article 3 Section 1 is amended to make clear a convention must be held not a gathering.

Article 3 Section 2 is amended to add Section 2a: If no efforts are made to plan an annual convention have materialized by May of that calendar year, then any party member can begin organizing a convention in good faith with the Coordinating Committee and in accordance with these bylaws.

Article 4 Section 1 is amended to require a 2/3's vote of the convention for affiliation/disaffiliation from any national or international political organization. Also Section 1a is added deeming that a combination

of applicable laws and majority support from the party membership shall be used to determine the legitimacy of a political organization. Section 1b is added so that abstentions due not count toward total vote when voting on affiliation/disaffiliation.

Article 4 Section 2 is added clarifying that affiliation of locals is governed by Article 2 Section 2 of these bylaws.

The convention held a preference vote for president using multiple rounds of voting with elimination for the last place candidate until one candidate obtained a majority. Sedinam Moyowasifza-Curry won the final round of voting and the support of the Louisiana Green Party for the 2020 Green presidential nomination. Morgan Moss, Jr. of Rayville and John Krause of Baton Rouge were selected as delegates to the Presidential Nominating Convention by acclamation.

The convention unanimously elected a new Coordinating Committee and its officers:

Co-Chair Kevonnie Bissant

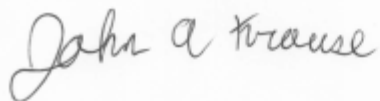
Co-Chair Laith Shalabi

Secretary John Krause

Treasurer William Boartman

Delegate to National Committee Romi Elganar

Delegate to National Committee Morgan Moss, Jr.



John Krause,

Secretary of the Green Party of Louisiana