

Hampton Roads Green Party Agenda 1/17/21, 2-4pm

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1) Procedural

- a) Establish Quorum
Established with 4 members
- b) Assign Facilitator
Tina Rockett
- c) Assign Notetaker
Blaizen Bloom
- d) Take Attendance/Introductions
Blaizen Bloom, Steffanie Aubuchon, Kyle Rockett, Tina Rockett
- e) Approve Minutes of Last Meeting – December holiday, no meeting/minutes
Approved November Meeting Minutes

2) Officer/Committee Reports

- a) Co-Chairs – Tina Rockett (acting) proposal to become signatories on the Joint Statement: World Says No To War On Yemen; Signing on to Virginia Network for Democracy and Environmental Rights (I will contact Victoria Ronnau this coming week); Save Rassawek statement; Letters to Virginia Mayors to join Mayors for A Guaranteed Income – Richmond Mayor Levar Stoney is a member calling for funding via debt-free public money as called for in the Greening the Dollar platform and the NEED Act – I have a letter from Howard Switzer (GPUS BMRC) to use as a template. Website: Mayors for A Guaranteed Income: mayorsforagi.org
Consensus to sign-on to “Joint Statement: World Says No To War On Yemen”. Tina will contact Victoria about a potential conference call to discuss questions about partnering with VNDER. Blaizen will contact the local tribe affected by the proposed water pump station at Rassawek historic site for press-release. Howard Switzer sent information about “Mayors for A Guaranteed Income” based on Greening the Dollar, urging mayors to support and send letters to the editor. RCV for localities (7/1/21-7/1/31) start with Chesapeake, Blaizen and Steffanie will lead.
- b) Treasurer Report – Steffanie Aubuchon
Total balance: \$425.56 and quarterly reports have been filed.
- c) IT – Blaizen Bloom Chair – Website Hosting
Website still needs donate buttons, but otherwise is doing pretty well. Steffanie will ask Kirit how to do PayPal political donations online.
- d) Education and Membership – Tina Rockett Chair – GPVA Brochure/postcard opportunity: HRGP Logo redesign interest – Blaizen (new postcards needed when events resume)
Blaizen will look into sending emails out over email lists to begin advertising events.
 - 1) Youth Outreach – Chair: Blaizen
Blaizen has been speaking at Chesapeake School Board on his own.
- e) Secretary (open)
- f) Gov't Watchdog Committee (open)
- g) Media (open)
- k) GPVA Update – Tina Co-Chair – Next GPVA Business Meeting, tentative date 1/31/21 – elections for non-male Co-Chair; Webmaster; Listserv Moderator; Treasurer; inquiries about starting Locals in Richmond, Manassas Park (Prince William County) and Washington County, VA (Facebook); Joe Bongiovanna – former GPUS BMRC representative is collaborating on new Monetary Reform platform and model bill, still active GPVA member; GPVA dues \$36/yr or as able; update “profile reviewed” date annually
Nobody has been nominated or self-nominated for State positions yet. Potential new affiliated Washington County GP local has been actively organizing and posting to social media.
 - 1) Blaizen – GPVA Press Secretary (elected 8/8/20);
Has released statement condemning Capital Riots and calling for electoral reform. Working on a statement against Maryland Fracked Gas Pipeline to be approved by Maryland Green Party joint statement.

I) GPUS National Delegate/Media Committee Update – Disaffiliation of GPAK vote passed for affiliation violations

The Green Party of Alaska has been voted for disaffiliation by a large majority of the National Committee. Alaska Greens are reorganizing new leadership and state party plans.

3) HRGP/GPVA Candidate Updates – **We need some!** Blaizen: Update on future campaign and being VA-04 Youth Representative-Elect: Potential Candidate: Charlotte Rose?

Brittany Wilkins (Newport News) potential new member and candidate for local office like City Council. Awaiting info from Charlotte about potential run as a Green. Blaizen has been sworn in as VA-04 Youth Representative and is an independent and self-proclaimed Green in the Youth House. Potential school board candidacy for Blaizen in Chesapeake for the 2022 election cycle.

4) Past Month Events/Endorsements/Sponsorships

5) Upcoming Events – Jan. 25th World Says No War on Yemen protests in support as signatories; Allies: Catholic Worker and PAX Christi Hampton Roads – 11am – 12:30 pm January 22nd at Victory Arch Monument, Newport News Celebration of #NuclearBan Entry Into Force protests <https://fb.me/e/1ZRtLDiSL>

Release signing and statement against War on Yemen on the 25th. Potential Green Light Brigade on 22nd with allies Catholic Worker and PAX Christi Hampton Roads.

6) Future Event Suggestions:

- a) Virtual meet and greets (previously proposed by Blaizen)
- a) Socially distanced GLB
- b) GLB request from HR MASK – tbd - #HRMASK #LongLiveShaq (10-20 brigadiers)
- c) Move To Amend City Resolutions to overturn Citizens United – Blaizen (Chesapeake); Tina and Kyle (Norfolk); Other volunteers?
- d) Puerto Rico video presentation: Colonization is Extinction online event – invite VACOLAO/HRCPP Others?

7) General Discussions

8) Peace/Anti-war Coalition – Hampton Roads Coalition for Peace and Planet

Still actively sharing posts with a few new page likes this month; FB page being managed by Tina and sometimes Garret.

9) Next Monthly Meeting: Sunday February 7th or 14th @ 2-4pm (location TBD/FreeConferenceCall?)

Tentative Date February 7th