

Minutes of the Green Party of ABQ Metropolitan Area (GPAMA) - December 9, 2015

In attendance: Em Ward, Rich Yost, Michal Mudd

Call to order: 6:39 PM

Minutes: Previous minutes deferred – to be typed and sent to Em and Rich

Treasurer's Report: We have \$5 savings and \$60 in checking in our Sandia Area Credit Union accounts.

Action Items:

- 1) Ballot signature initiatives - not coordinated. Michal had read that there would be some efforts, particularly by the Stein campaign, to organize signature collection efforts in certain key states. Could not find any active information. (There were efforts starting to collect money for matching funds in states; there might have been mix-ups in reports I saw regarding this).
- 2) Films for Action - The organization doesn't allow sponsorship by political groups. It also could involve a cost of over \$100/showing and request/suggests donations collected to cover host costs. It was decided this was not practical for the group at this time.
- 3) Fundraising - After information on various commercial intermediaries was researched and reported by our intern, Stephanie Salcedo, it seems PayPal is the best method. PayPal charges a 2.9% fee + 30¢ per transaction. Others charged higher fees.
- 4) Website - Chad Gruber retains all of the information and log-in data, on the website we were setting up with GoDaddy. Rich will contact him and see if he will pass this along to the group if he intends to cease his involvement with GPAMA. The other active website on Weebly.com (greenpartyabqmetro.weebly.com) is up and running.

New Business:

- 1) Other state GP's and how they organize
- 2) Discussion of holding candidate forum with other states
- 3) Rich reported that he has learned of a low power radio station from Madrid – KMRD. He may look into options of how we could interact with them.

Announcements:

- 1) GPNM has made an internship offer to a Finnish exchange student for either 1 or 2 semester hours for the Spring 2016 term.
- 2) Green Council Meeting
- 3) Sandoval County Fracking proposal

Next meeting: planned for January 13th at 6 pm, location to be determined

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm