

Minutes
GPAMA
6 December 2016

The meeting was called to order at 1819. Seven people attended the meeting, including one officer. Minutes from the November meeting were not available. Treasury report was not available, but it was noted that there was no new donation or expense known.

Follow up on the action items included Cronshaw's report regarding environmentalism. She presented an open letter to Trump regarding the methane issue in the Four Corners area and reported that it is expected to be published in the *Independent*. After review of the letter, it was decided that she may include "Green Party of the Albuquerque Metropolitan Area" after her name. Cronshaw also presented **a resolution calling for GPNM to be part of the Methane Coalition**. This was accepted and **will be presented at the Green Council meeting in January**. Cronshaw will also reach out to Seymour of Santa Fe.

Ward reported her action item for feminism, the Women's March on Washington, January 21st. She reported that the national Washington, D. C. gathering will be accompanied by various local gatherings around the country. Albuquerque and Santa Fe will both host rallies. **GPAMA members will plan to attend the rally at Civic Plaza with the banner.**

Verchinski distributed a calendar of events over the next year related to social and economic justice at which GPAMA could have a presence to raise visibility. Hinman asked the value of attending these events, and the group responded that raising visibility was a step in the process of growing the party. **GPAMA will have a presence at the Homeless Persons' Memorial march and vigil on December 21st.**

Barteau and Verchinski briefly shared their experiences with the Standing Rock Sioux.

Ward gave a brief report from the Stein Campaign about the recount effort and clarified that there was never any statement by or vote of the National Committee for or against the effort. The national Steering Committee was asked about being the fiscal agent for large donations and declined, citing lack of capacity to take on the role.

New business included a brief discussion about the proposed PNM rate hikes. **Cronshaw will look into more information about the PNM-PRC hearings**. It was shared that there were groups in Santa Fe that followed these issues. McKay shared his experience of the work involved in preparing for presentations to elected bodies.

Elections in 2017 were discussed, emphasizing the educational Boards. **We may have two candidates file for APS Board or CNM Governing Board on the filing date, December 20th.**

Lockridge suggested that we consider formally adopting a process format for the meetings. After some discussion, **the decision to adopt a meeting format was deferred until the next meeting.**

Meeting adjourned.