



Green Party of Pima County
GPPC-SC (Steering Committee) Meeting **Minutes**

Tuesday, March 30, 2021, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting ID 954 102 5128

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9541025128>

- A. 7:00 PM **Call to Order** – Welcome – Facilitator – [Note: times rounded to 5 minutes]
- B. **Declaration of Quorum** (4 votes per 2/3 bylaw requirement) and **Role Assignments:**
Stack Taker: **Cara B.**, Note Taker: **Mike C.**, Time Keeper: **Colette J.**,
Vibes Taker: **Alice Ritter**, Public Scribe: **committee as a whole, share screen on Zoom** – 5 minutes

GPPC-SC (Green Party of Pima County - Steering Committee)

County Committee Officers:

- Colette Jennings, Chairperson (1.0)
 Cara Bissell, 1st Vice-Chairperson (1.0)
 Ryan Kelly, **Facilitator**, 2nd Vice-Chairperson (1.0)
 Bob Aros, Treasurer (1.0)
 Mike Cease, Secretary (1.0)

At-Large Representatives:

- Natalie Woods, Outreach Representative – Minority (appointed, non-voting)
 Vacant, Outreach Representative – Gender
 Vacant, 1st GPPC Representative
 Michael Wendroff-Valentine, 2nd GPPC Representative (1.0)

Guests: **Chuck Irvin, Beryl Baker, Alice Ritter, Neil Kight, Amee Beck**

- C. 7:05 PM **Call to the Audience** – Make announcements, state opinions, pose concerns -- limited to 2 minutes per person (only GPPC audience members may participate, although members of the public may attend) – Facilitator – 10 minutes
Beryl Baker announced updates on Reid Park Zoo municipal open-space issue; Amee Beck invited attendees to GPMC Zoom meeting on Monday, April 5th.

- D. 7:15 PM **Consent to the Agenda Contract** – Facilitator – 5 minutes
Add N.B. Item 2 – Senator Mark Kelly Town Hall event – join Veterans for Peace in calling for change from a war-economy to a peace-economy requested by Cara B.

- E. 7:20 PM **Standing Committee Reports** – (3 minutes each) – 30 minutes
GPPC-SC (Steering Committee) Officer's Reports:

1. Chairperson, Colette Jennings

Colette J. will be speaking at the Legacy Forum on April 14th along with the Chair of the Pima County Libertarian Party.

2. 1st Vice-Chairperson, Cara Bissell

Cara B. has precinct query lists for Precinct Captains.

3. 2nd Vice-Chairperson, Ryan Kelly

Reid Park open space updates, city/county public defense of tenants facing eviction.

4. Treasurer, Bob Aros

March Treasurer's report was distributed electronically and shared to screen by bookkeeper, Mike C. A \$2,000 donation to the paid Voter Registration drive designated account was received.

5. Secretary, Mike Cease

PDF file of report distributed electronically - presentation/discussion in U.B. Item 5.

6. Outreach Representative – Minority, Natalie Woods
7. Outreach Representative – Gender, Vacant
8. 1st GPPC Representative, Vacant
9. 2nd GPPC Representative, Michael Wendroff-Valentine

Standing Committee Coordinator's Reports:

10. GPPC-CG (College Greens), Committee of the Whole
11. GPPC-CP (Campaign and Planning), Matt Smith
12. GPPC-DE (Direct Action and Events), Committee of the Whole
13. GPPC-FC (Fundraising Committee), Committee of the Whole
14. GPPC-MC (Media Committee), Eduardo Quintana – on leave
15. GPPC-MR (Membership and Registration), Chuck Irvin

Current Pima County Recorder's office voter registration totals were presented.

16. GPPC-SM (Social Media), Mike Cease

Colette J. stated that her suggestions had been ignored; Mike C. suggested that the Social Media Committee consider using Cody Hannah's "hootsuite" software for cross-posting content across multiple GPPC social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter).

17. GPPC-TC (Technology Committee), Steven Adger

F. 7:50 PM **Resignations** – Facilitator inquires if officers are willing to commit to continue serving in her/his office; Chairperson inquires the same of the 2nd Vice-Chairperson (facilitator for this meeting) – 5 minutes

No resignations

G. **Other Business**

Unfinished Business

1. 7:55 PM AZGP/GPPC: 2022 New Party Recognition Petitioning campaign –
Cara B. – 5 minutes

Updates presented.

2. 8:00 PM GPPC-MR: Phase Two Voter Registration campaign in Pima County jurisdiction (March through September, 2021) status updates – Mike C. – 5 minutes

Thermometer chart showing 30% (\$7,416) of goal (\$25,000) funds have been raised; 4,000 new Green voter registrations in Pima County needed no later than September, 2021.

3. 8:05 PM GPPC-CP Ranked Choice Voting Initiative, coalition with Voter Choice Arizona – Natalie W. – 5 minutes

Colette J. shared that the GPPC's endorsement of Voter Choice Arizona's initiative is...

...contingent upon the specific Ranked Choice Voting model which they decide to adopt.

4. 8:10 PM AZGP-YES: Young Eco Socialists report – Colette J. – 5 minutes

AZGP-YES will be meeting in April to elect caucus group officers.

5. 8:15 PM GPPC-CC: Secretary Report on “GPPC Record-Keeping, Past, Present and Future,” pertaining to proposed Bylaw Amendment – Mike C. – 25 minutes

Discussion of report after reading: Colette J. said that the difference between minutes and notes was semantics. Ryan K. stated that organizational legal protocols require minutes rather than summary notes. Chuck Irvin posted this definition in the chat notes:

7 must-have things to include when writing meeting minutes:

<https://fellow.app/blog/meetings/meeting-minutes-example-and-best-practices/>

1. Date and time of meeting.
2. Names of the participants.
3. Purpose of the meeting.
4. Agenda items and topics to be discussed.
5. Action items.
6. Next meeting date and place.
7. Documents to be included in the meeting report.

This clarified that the GPPC’s 2010-2012 period definition of minutes being a transcript was not accurate. The consensus was to retain the “minutes” language in the bylaw amendment proposal rather than using the proposed “summary notes” language.

New Business

1. 8:40 PM GPPC-SC: Announcements – Facilitator – 5 minutes

April 6th General Meeting to elect 1st GPPC Representative.

2. **Added item – proposal that the GPPC join with Veterans for Peace in calling for a change from a war-economy to a peace-economy at a Town Hall with Senator Mark Kelly. Proposal adopted.**

Future Business

None at this time

H. 8:45 PM **Review of Decisions Taken** – Note Taker – 5 minutes

Consensus to retain the “minutes” language in the bylaw amendment proposal; adopted a proposal that the GPPC join Veterans for Peace in calling for a change from a war-economy to a peace-economy.

I. 8:50 PM **Meeting Evaluation** – 10 minutes

What worked well?

Good discussions, good facilitation, had a written agenda, had a quorum, good audience attendance, no need for calling vibes, good that minutes language was retained in the bylaw amendment proposal, adopted peace-economy proposal.

What needs improvement?

Disappointed that some Steering Committee members were not in attendance; put off by spending so much time on administrative minutia and semantics.

J. 9:00 PM **Adjournment and next meeting**

Date, Time, Place: Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Zoom Conference (last Tuesday of every month)

Facilitator: Mike Cease, Secretary

Additional role assignments for April 27th meeting: Ryan Kelly – Note Taker; Colette Jennings – Time Keeper.