

GPCO/GPUS Pres. Nominating Convention Application

1) Delegates – 4 of 7 allotted slots filled

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2) GPCO is an accredited state party of GPUS

3) Relevant sections of state law re: selection of delegates to a national convention

Colorado Revised Statutes

<http://www.michie.com/colorado/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=main-h.htm&cp=>

[1-4-1301. Formation of minor political party.](#)

(1) A minor political party shall adopt a constitution or set of bylaws to govern its organization and the conduct of its affairs and shall exercise thereunder any power not inconsistent with the laws of this state. The constitution or set of bylaws shall be filed with the secretary of state. Any minor political party failing to file its constitution or set of bylaws pursuant to this section shall not be qualified as a minor political party. **The constitution or set of bylaws shall contain the following:**

(a) A method of nominating candidates for the partisan offices specified in section [1-4-1304](#) (1);

(b) A method for calling and conducting assemblies and conventions;

(c) A method for selecting delegates to assemblies and conventions;

(d) A method for the selection of members and a chairperson to the state central committee and for the selection of other party officers;

(e) A method for filling vacancies in party offices;

(f) The powers and duties of party officers;

(g) The structure of the state and county party organizations, if any;

(h) A statement that any meeting to elect party officers, including delegates, and any assembly to nominate candidates, shall be held at a public place at the time specified by the party chairperson and that the time and place of such meeting shall be published once, no later than fifteen days before such meeting, in a newspaper of general circulation in each county wherein the members of the minor political party reside;

(i) A statement that the party chairperson or his or her designee shall be the person who shall communicate on behalf of the minor political party; and

(j) A method for amending the constitution or set of bylaws.

4) GPCO Bylaws relevant to placing/supporting national convention Presidential nominee on state ballot

From Bylaws:

<http://www.coloradogreenparty.org/green-party-colorado-bylaws-revised-march-2012/>

IV. Structure

4.1 **State meetings** will be held yearly or more frequently at a location agreed upon by the members at the previous meeting, or by a special call of the Council at its discretion. **Nominating conventions** and meetings to elect state officers must be announced by the Secretary in a newspaper of statewide circulation 15 days before the meeting. State meetings are those where party business is conducted. **The state nominating convention is held** in even number years — every two years for the purpose of nominating candidates for public office in Colorado; and **every four years for conducting the presidential preference process and selecting delegates to the Green Party of the United States national convention.**

4.1.1. In order for official decisions to be made at a state meeting, a **quorum** of at least 60% of local chapters must be represented, with a minimum number of voting participants (registered in the Green Party of Colorado) equal to twice the number of local chapters represented.

From GPCO Procedures and Guidelines

<http://www.coloradogreenparty.org/about/procedures-guidelines/>

3.8.3. Delegation instructions at the GPUS Nominating Convention

3.8.4. The GPCO will support the nominated GPUS Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates. These candidates are placed on the General Election ballot by the GPUS.

3.8.5. The GPCO will select at the State Meeting the required number of Presidential electors for the Electoral College.

5) Attached Copy of Official Minutes of 3/31/12 State Nominating Convention/Meeting

6) Letter bearing the signature of your state party officers certifying the authenticity of the minutes

Our bylaws (excerpted below) specify the GPCO secretary shall keep the minutes at state meetings, forward that information to the Secretary of State, etc. I have done so. Our other officers do not sign the minutes nor are we required to sign the official minutes sent to the Secretary of State. However, I will include a signed letter attesting to the authenticity of the official minutes with my hard copy application.

5.4 Secretary

The Secretary shall fulfill the role of secretary under state law and shall be responsible for handling candidate nominations as required by state law; keeping accurate minutes of state meetings and nominating conventions; updating the bylaws and procedures and guidelines and filing bylaw changes with the Secretary of State, as required by state law; and announcing in a newspaper of general statewide circulation, as required by state law, nominating conventions and state meetings to elect officers.

7) What paperwork do you need to submit to your Secretary of State o place GPUS Pres/VP nominees on CO ballot – signed by national party officers? Nominees?

We will bring any needed papers to the GPUS convention as instructed.