

# Minutes of the State Convention

## Green Party of Mississippi

May 19, 2012

The State Convention of the Green Party of Mississippi was called to order at 12:30 p.m. at Koinonia Coffee House. Jan Hillegas was chosen as Chair of the Convention and Alec Valentine was chosen as Secretary of the Convention.

There being no written proposals to revise the GP MS Bylaws, discussion was tabled.

**Three very minor changes were offered in one motion to amend the GP MS Platform.** They were approved by a unanimous vote, and are attached to these minutes.

Jan Hillegas offered a written **resolution for submission to the National Committee of the GPUS.** After discussion and revisions, the resolution was approved and is attached to these minutes.

A motion was offered that the **delegates to the GPUS National Convention be instructed to vote for Jill Stein on the first ballot.** It passed unanimously.

Nominations were made for **delegates to the GP US National Convention.** The four delegates elected were **Nekita Gandy, Jan Hillegas, Alec Valentine and William Ashley Vaughan.**

Nominated and approved as **National Committeepersons** were **Nekita Gandy and Jan Hillegas.**

Nominations were made for **Presidential electors** and those approved were CD1: **Greg Johnson,** CD2: **Alec Valentine,** CD3: **Nekita Gandy,** At Large: **Jan Hillegas and William Ashley Vaughan,** with a person from the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District to be confirmed by the Chair.

A suggestion was made for the **State Convention to reconvene in August** to consider further proposed amendments to the GP MS Platform and to talk about candidates and campaigning for the national election November 6, and the suggestion was approved.

A May 14 certified mail letter from Jan Hillegas, as Acting Chair of the GP MS, to Windows Live, Microsoft Corporation was read, in regard to blocking of the GP MS Hotmail account. Neither the requested response nor the return receipt has been received. The issue was referred to the State Executive Committee, to be handled by email when Microsoft's response or non-response is known.

A list of nominees for the **State Executive Committee** was drawn up. Those elected were (CD1) **Gregory Johnson,** (CD 2) **Jan Hillegas and Alec Valentine,** (CD3) **Nekita Gandy and William Ashley Vaughan.** These members will seek others willing to serve from each Congressional District.

After brief discussions, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Alec Valentine, GP MS Convention Secretary