

GREEN PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES – Committees

“The real work of the party is done in the standing committees, and NC delegates are strongly urged to join at least one of these committees to fully participate in party work.” Communication is generally via email, so good email access is necessary. Up to 3 members of a state party may be appointed to any of the committees listed below, unless otherwise stated.

All GP-MI members are invited to nominate yourselves. Simply email a statement of up to 75 words to ElectionsCoordinator@michgreenparty.org about why you want to serve and your qualifications for each committee that interests you. These statements will appear on a web page as the GP-MI Voter's Guide for GP-US Committees. Whether the voters will be the State Central Committee (39 elected officers and Locals Reps.) and confirmed at the SMM, or only by participants at the State Membership Meeting is being determined.

STANDING COMMITTEES (compiled by Sherry A. Wells, Chair, GP-MI)

Accreditation helps new state parties and caucuses become fully accredited with the GP-US.

Animal Rights provides education and advice; develops resolutions, position papers, platform amendments, endorses legislation.

Annual National Meeting organizes each, assisting host cities with it, conducts follow-up.

Ballot Access assists petitioning, lobbying, and legal initiatives to obtain it, works with candidates, other orgs. and GP-US committees.

By-Laws, Rules, Policies and Procedures supports development of bylaws, rules, policies and procedures towards party growth and development, aligned with the Ten Key Values.

Dispute Resolution provides mediation and arbitration for intraparty disputes through a DRC Administration Committee and the DRC Mediator/Arbiter Panel.

Diversity works to create a welcoming political community that reflects the cultural, ethnic, sexual, geographic, educational level, and economic diversity of the United States; raises issues of diversity to the GP.

Eco-Action helps organize Greens for local and national events and campaigns to protect and promote ecological wisdom and sustainability, and develops position papers and proposals.

Finance oversees GP-US financial activities, advises the SC, prepares the annual report and budget, coordinates with Fundraising and Merchandise committees, and promotes compliance with and proposes amendments to the GP-US Fiscal Policy. State party nominations of members must be approved by the NC. Three year terms.

Fundraising oversees solicitation and management of donations; partners with GP-US committees and caucuses in joint fundraising efforts; tracks and reports income; proposes and evaluates fundraising campaign strategies; produces budget projections and narrative.

Green Pages Editorial Board of the official GP-US publication of party successes and information and news affecting Green parties; it is to provide a credible information vehicle for communication and alliance building with media, academics and social movements.

International fosters collaboration and exchange with Green parties worldwide, facilitates official GP-US representation on the international and global level and GP-US international and global issue and policy development. Preferred: excellent communication skills, multilingual fluency, ability to travel internationally.

Media facilitates the development and implementation of a comprehensive media strategy towards maximum coverage of GP in national press and social media; coordinates with and supports state and local GP media persons/committees.

Merchandising designs, creates, promotes, and distributes merchandise for GP-US, including clothing, literature, and other items, to create awareness and enhance the image of the Green Party; to provide useful materials for state parties; to create a revenue stream for GP-US. Two members per state unless a case-by-case exception is made.

Outreach works with groups such as the Media Committee, Green Pages, Fundraising, Website, and Merchandising to create consistent and compelling messaging and communication; it also may work on advertising, volunteer coordination, and helping state parties grow their recruitment efforts.

Peace Action. As of September 2015, it remains inactive. If you're interested in helping to revive GPAX, please send a note to gpax@gp.org

Platform organizes and facilitates participation in amending the GP-US platform by a process from submissions to input and feedback based on democratic deliberation, discussion, debate, and voting by the National Committee. It may submit proposals to the NC to edit, amend, update and improve the GP-US Platform or the amendment process. Members and observers selected by state parties for one or two year terms, as deemed by the state party.

Presidential Campaign Support prepares and administers an exploratory/outreach plan to potential candidates, and represents GP-US in coordinating communication with candidates seeking its nomination. Although busiest in the year before the US Presidential election, strategic planning is ongoing. Each state may send as many as it has delegates apportioned, but at least 3.