New London Green Party

December 1, 2013 - MINUTES

In attendance: Pat Bolles, Mirna Martínez, Bud McAllister, Chris Nelson, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder). Guests from Waterford Green Party: Baird Welch-Collins, Neel Shah

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

Minutes from 10/6/13 were approved with one abstention (Chris).

Treasurer's report: As of November 13, our balance is \$1868.86, with some campaign expenses still outstanding. Chris asked that everyone who made purchases for the campaign submit receipts and let him know whether they are requesting reimbursement or are making in-kind donations. The next SEEC report is due on January 10 and will include all activity through the end of this year.

State Central Committee: The state party is requesting input on goals for the upcoming year. The New London Greens would like to enhance the CTGP's budget transparency, with spending priorities and fundraising goals clearly stated.

Old business

2013 campaign debriefing

Mirna was elected and is the only non-Democrat serving on the Board of Education. A fundraiser (whether or not we need to get the Greens out of the red) is tentatively planned for March.

New business

- (1) Waterford Green Party Baird and Neel talked about the newly formed party: issues it seeks to address, successful outreach among young voters, and eventual plans to run candidates. New London Greens were invited to attend the next meeting, which is scheduled for December 23 at Waterford Library. The Waterford Greens have a website at waterfordgreenparty.org.
- (2) The Greens have once again been invited to contribute articles to HüK Magazine on a regular (quarterly) basis. It was also suggested that we may want to start our own Green Gazette to publicize our stands on issues.

Updates

- (1) Riverside Park The Sandy Ground Playground has been constructed; there is an expanded interest in Fulton Park as well as Riverside.
- (2) Thinking Green Will be on Thursdays at 7 starting January; additional hosts may be needed, especially on the first and third weeks of the month.
- (3) NL Parent Advocates Mirna will no longer be on the steering committee, as it is a conflict with her serving on the BOE; she is confident that there is good new energy within the group.

Announcements & upcoming events

Swearing in Council and Board of Education members - Monday, Dec 2, 7pm. PHC-sponsored get-together on Dec 13, 12n, at Washington St Coffee House

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm. Next meeting will be on Sunday, January 5, 6:30pm; Internal Elections will be on the agenda.

Approved on 1/5/14.