

Green Party of Santa Fe County

Business Meeting Minutes for September 2, 2008
Pyramid Cafe, 505 West Cordova

Green Party Event Calendar—Note our New Address! 905 St. Francis

Every Tuesday:	Coffee with Rick Lass Campaign, Celebrations Restaurant, 8am
Sunday, Sept. 7:	Walk, bike, give out sunflowers Rick Lass for PRC Float, Santa Fe Fiesta Parade. Meet at DeVargas Mall 12:30 pm.
Tuesday, Sept 16:	Green Party Office Opening Celebration, 905 St. Francis, 7pm
Tuesday, Oct. 7:	Green Party Business Meeting, 905 St. Francis, 7pm
Tuesday, Oct. 21:	Green Party Social Meeting, 905 St. Francis, 7pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:13pm with moment of silence. Roles were assigned as follows: John Otter facilitator, Xubi Wilson actioneer, Dean Williamson vibes watcher, Suzanne Otter minute taker. August 5, 2008 Business Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted. September 2, 2008 Business Meeting Agenda was approved as submitted.

Greens present at this meeting: Tom Knoblauch, Rick Lass, John Otter, Suzanne Otter, Marion Seymour, Magita Storey, Dean Williamson, Xubi Wilson.

Rick Lass for PRC Campaign

Rick Lass reported that the campaign is going great, getting great press, including Las Vegas Optic letters to the editor and the Journal North endorsed Rick Lass. Weekly coffees are continuing at Celebrations on Tuesdays at 8:00 am. The coffees have been well attended by Greens, Democrats, Republicans and Libertarians. The [Democrats for Rick Lass](#) website will be up soon.

We are at a turning point in the campaign. In July and August we focused on getting Rick Lass' name out to as many people as possible. So far, 20,000 pieces of literature have been handed out in the district. We are doing a good job getting out there—and now we are at the official beginning of campaign season. We have a good chance to win this election. We will now focus on one-on-one meeting voters by going door-to-door. Rick will focus on door to door in Las Alamos, Rio Rancho, Taos—that's a lot of traveling. Santa Fe is crucial, 25% of the voters are in Santa Fe. Xubi Wilson and Dean Williamson offered to help organize door-to-door campaigning in Santa Fe.

The message is "Why vote for Rick Lass? Because he will (1.) fight to keep utility and insurance rates affordable with quality service, and (2.) clean renewable energy."

Magita Storey reported that there will be a [Rick Lass for PRC Float in the Santa Fe Fiesta Parade](#) on Sunday, September 7 at 1pm. Help is needed with passing out leaflets, sunflowers and candy during the parade, dressed in the colors of the campaign (green, blue, yellow). We want to be a big presence at the parade. Carl Hansen is loaning his flat bed truck.

Interested parade walkers will meet at DeVargas Mall parking lot at 12:30 with sunflowers. Balloons, streamers, banners, Get organized for door-to-door canvassing in Santa Fe. Invite lots of people, get people on bicycles, etc. for a big presence in the parade. Contact Magita if you want to help on Thursday morning putting the float together.

A motion was made as follows: The Green Party of Santa Fe will assume the responsibility for two months rent at Ski Tech space for two months for \$1,300 plus utilities. (September 5 through November 5) Motion was approved by consensus.

We agreed to hold the Green Party October 7 business meeting and the October 21 social meeting at the office space at Ski Tech, 905 St. Francis. We will use the meeting time to assess what the campaign needs at this time. We also agreed to hold an office opening party on September 16 (same day as Dia de la Independencia) in the parking lot space.

1. Xubi Wilson agreed to help develop a schedule of when the office will be staffed.
2. Suzanne Otter agreed to put out a request via e-mail to staff the office.
3. Tom Knoblauch and Suzanne Otter agreed to coordinate to get the check over to Ski Tech.

Continue Planning Our Action Agenda for 2008-2009

Localization/Re-Localization Campaign as the overall framework for the Action Agenda—including forums on fossil-fuel-free Santa Fe County. Xubi Wilson reported that he spoke with Ed Mazzaria's staff to see if he will be a speaker in October.

The meeting was adjourned was at 8:15 with a moment of silence.