Please read the proposal and keep comments on the topic of the proposal only. This proposal is moderated, and the GPC Code of Conduct will apply. (located here: http://coloradoopenmatters.org/forum/index.php/forum/28-0).

Designate your vote by using the following terms: YES, NO, ABSTAIN. As there has been a block in Agreement Seeking, we are now voting.

Per Section 3.3 of the GPC bylaws, “3.3 The right of participation of an individual in the Green Party of Colorado can be revoked by a fellow local using its own criteria or by a 25% vote of the members of the state council or state party meeting. Revocation of the rights of participation must be based on failure of the individual to adhere to the purpose and methods of the Green Party of Colorado.”

There are currently 15 active voting chapters and caucuses in the Green Party of Colorado. Adoption of this proposal requires a YES of at least 75% of all votes cast and also requires a minimum quorum of at least one response from 9 (nine) chapters/caucuses.

The Floor is now open for one week of voting, ending Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 11:59 pm.

Active Chapters/Caucuses
Adams County
Arapahoe County
Denver
Greater Boulder
Jefferson County
Pikes Peak
Pueblo Valley
Mesa
San Miguel
Lagun
Quay
Youth Caucus
LaFavre Caucus
Societal Caucus
Formerly-incorporated Persons Caucus
1. Basic Info
Date proposed: December 27, 2017
Name of the sponsor(s): Andrea Merida Cussler, Dave Bell, GPC co-chairs; Joshua James, GPC Treasurer; Susan Friend, GPC Secretary
2. Title: REVOKE RIGHT OF SUSAN HALL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GREEN PARTY OF COLORADO
3. Text of the actual proposal: As of the date of consensus or successful vote of this proposal, the right of Susan Hall to participate in the events, activities, internet- and social media-based portal and operations, online or otherwise, of the Green Party of Colorado are hereby revoked. Susan Hall is ineligible to receive an endorsement or nomination for any elected office or hold any representative position of the GPC until her rights of participation are restored. Should any local choose to appoint Susan Hall to the state council, her participation on any GPC forum or voting portal will be blocked, and that local should appoint another delegate or forfeit one delegate vote on the state council. Susan Hall is not allowed to re-apply to be a delegate or vote on the state council. Susan Hall is hereby declared not in good standing with the Green Party of Colorado, and an active local chapter in good standing may submit a proposal for her reinstatement after a period of one year from the date of this proposal’s ratification. However, in light of Susan Hall’s willingness to comport with GPC rules, the state council officially extends to her an invitation to enter into a restorative justice process, and upon mutually acceptable completion, her rights of participation will be immediately restored.

4. Justification/Goals: Susan Hall is an original signer of the “Restore Green Values” grievance submitted to the GPUS Accreditation Committee on June 14, 2017.

On behalf of the “grievants,” Kevin Alumbaugh has articulated that “The GPC has been in communication with the GPUS Accreditation Committee since June 13th of this year in regards to one of the only remedies available to us- decertification and relisting of the Green Party of Colorado,” in an email to the AccredCom on 10/24/17.

Section 2.3 of the Bylaws states, “The Green Party of Colorado (GPC) is the affiliate of the Green Party of the United States for the State of Colorado.” Therefore, because the stated purpose of the “grievance” is to de-affiliate GPC from the GPUS, Susan Hall’s participation and promotion of the grievance is a demonstration of her failure to adhere to the purpose and methods of the GPC.

Further, Susan Hall’s action shows callous disregard for the key values of Grassroots Democracy and Decentralization, by usurping the authority of the GPC state council, by sidestepping longstanding democratic process of submitting a proposal to the council according to established procedures, as the remedy established in the GPC. The “grievance” also asks for GPUS to remove the democratically-elected officers of the GPC, as a further demonstration of the disregard for the Key Value of Decentralization.

The GPC Bylaws call out grounds for such a proposal in section 3.3 of the Bylaws, “(2) Revocation of the rights of participation must be based on failure of the individual to adhere to the purpose and methods of the Green Party of Colorado.”

The process for revocation of rights of participation are outlined in the Bylaws, Section 3.3.1.

5. Alternatives to the proposal: Take no action.

7. References: Section 3.3 of the GPC Bylaws, Copy of Alumbaugh’s email to the GPUS AccredCom on 10/24/17, screen shot of list of signers of the grievance.