

December 4, 2004, 6 pm

19 Evergreen Ave. New London

Facilitator: Kenric Hansen Recorder: Ronna Stuller Attendance: Daniel Spurr, Mardie Chapman, Tim Hanser, Richard Buell, Peter de la Rosa, Andy Derr, Kenr Hanson, Ronna Stuller & Bob Stuller.

State Central Committee Report Andy attended the November 30 meeting and submitted a written report.

Candidate Selection Committee (Andy D, Laura C., Ken H) Report Goals for NL Green Party participation in 2005 local elections: • 5 candidates for City Council; 5 candidates for Board of Education • Slate which represents NL's diverse population • Knock on every NL resident's door Process for nominating candidates: • Now! - start contacting local Greens; establish criteria for candidates • April - begin door-to-door canvass; begin developing platform based on 10 Key Values and local issues; begin candidate recruitment • June - hold nominating convention • July/August - begin campaigning Additional things to consider: create a walking list for canvassers, Spanish speakers needed in some neighborhoods, use local resources (e.g. artists) Next Committee Meeting scheduled for 12/20/04, 6:30 p.m., at Muddy Waters Events for 2005 • Fundraisers (starting in February) • Issues-oriented rallies (e.g. pollution in city, taxes, development, lobbying) Media Discussed how to get the message out: letters to the editor, alternative newspaper coverage, tape exchange among progressive public access shows; also discussed the problem of lack of community access on satellite TV

Charter Revision Commission Report Tim H reported that the commission has had one meeting, at which Wade Hyslop, Jr, was elected chair. There will be a public hearing on Monday, 12/13, location TBA. The commission is seeking a Recording Secretary; it is a paid position, but some there is some uncertainty about qualifications and rules related to the job.

Other Business/Announcements Westerly Revival House is showing the Howard Zinn documentary on December 14 & 15 and Fahrenheit 9/11 on December 18 & 19.

Josh Smith, who lives on Elm Street, spoke to the group about the severe pollution issues in that neighborhood and his frustration in trying to get the city to resolve the problems.