

League of Women Voters of Appleton, WI  
Board Meeting  
Tuesday, March 13, 2007  
Appleton Public Library, Lower Level Meeting Room

**Present:** Beth English, Winnie Doxsie, Nadine Miller, Shirley Strange, Sue Silton, Barb Hoffman, Carolyn Mewhorter, Karon Sandberg

**Absent:** Miriam Douglass, Jody Van Domelen, Shirley Adams, Lynda Cutts

**Call to Order:** Beth called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

**Minutes:** The minutes for February 13, 2007 were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Bank Accounts

Appleton LWV CD	5,388.36
Appleton LWV CD	5,445.78
LWV Checking	1,539.50

**Total Bank Accounts**      **12,373.64**

Asset Accounts

Education Fund	748.41
Total Asset Accounts	748.41

**OVERALL TOTAL**      **13,122.05**

CDs mature May 17<sup>th</sup>. Barb reminded the board that there is a penalty for using the CDs before they mature. Interest can be used without penalty. There is about \$400.00 in interest. The PMP went up this year, and we may need to budget for this. The alternative would be to raise dues. There was a question about the \$48.13 under item G-Position Support. Shirley Adams may be able to clarify this.

There will be a Budget Committee Meeting on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. Bev Wieckert will be asked to sit on the committee with Beth English, Sue Silton, Carolyn Mewhorter, and two members of the League at large.

Karon moved to approve the minutes. Winnie seconded. The motion carried.

**Study:**

- *Mental Health:* Members of the committee are collecting information to be disseminated at the upcoming meetings. The committee will also begin to work on questions for the issues. The committee would like to have someone on the committee from Corrections as well as people who are using the services. The League and Resource Committee Members are: Carolyn Mewhorter, Deb Cronmiller, Tom Tatlock, Kathleen Munske, Diane Mandler, Jennifer Dieter,

Mary Wisnet, Sue Eich, Karen Aspenson, and Pat McGaffey. It was suggested that the committee member names be placed in the Bulletin.

- *Voter Service*: Lynda's Committee, Shirley Adams, Winnie Doxsie and Shirley Strange taped a "Meet the Candidates" program on TWCT. The Aldermanic "Meet and Greet" program is scheduled at Harmony Café, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. The League is not directly involved in this program, but will support it by publicizing it to its membership.
- Lynda and her committee met with Cindi Hesse (City Clerk) and Vicki Roemer (Election Clerk) January 17, 2007 to discuss League involvement in helping recruit poll workers. Cindi welcomes the League support as there are not enough poll workers to offer split shifts, and poll workers put in 12-14 hour days at election sites. The Committee will meet at Cheyenne's at 11:30am, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Interested people are welcome.
- Karon noted that Voter Service needs more support as the duties can be very demanding especially during elections. She suggested that Program and Action could be partners to Voter Service. A subcommittee could be formed to look at re-organizing this whole area. A meeting early in June should be considered.
- *Vote Signs*: It was noted again that League Vote Signs should not be placed in the same yard with a partisan campaign sign.

### **Program/Action**

- *An Inconvenient Truth*- At the last Board meeting, it had been approved that the League would financially support the rental of the film, 'An Inconvenient Truth' which would be shown at Harmony Café. It was learned that the film rental is \$250.00 not the \$150.00 originally thought. In light of the higher cost, after discussion, Carolyn Mewhorter moved to rescind the motion to apply for an Ed. Fund Grant of \$150.00 to rent the film. Karon seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- *Sesquicentennial Planning*: Karon is planning a meeting next week. The Sesquicentennial Committee members are: Stevie Schmidt, Marlys Fritzell, Marcia Hittle, Barb Hoffman. Nadine will join if her schedule permits.
- *Legislative Day*: Several members are going to Legislative Day, April 11.
- *Annual Meeting*: The Annual Meeting will take place May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Place is yet to be determined. Nadine is investigating a few restaurants.

### **Membership/Visibility**

*Funding Opportunities*: Fundraising-Solutions.org is promoting an online shopping marketplace that would make it possible for the League to raise funds. The League would be given a marketplace, people would do their online shopping through the League

marketplace and each merchant would then rebate a percentage of the sale to the League. People would have to be notified to shop through the League Marketplace. They would have to buy from the vendors through the League website. It was decided to check with other Leagues who are using this to see how it works for them. Beth stated the need for Financial Strategic Planning to address the financial needs of the League.

#### **Around the Board**

- Barb noted that the full registration for the Convention on June 15-16th is \$100.00.
- Karon stated that the President should have the option of staying overnight as there are often late night meetings.
- Beth suggested we send a card to Lynda Cutts with our best wishes for her speedy return to the Board. All members heartily agreed.

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Strange