

Minutes
20151203
League of Women Voters Appleton Board Meeting
Wednesday @ 5pm Appleton Public Library

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Call to Order

Members Present: Elizabeth Laux, Cindy Fallona, Cathy Thompson, Stephanie Malaney, Penny Robinson, Gayle Hardt, Barbara Kelly, Jackie Klimazeski, Irene Strohbeen

Call to order at 5:00pm by Stephanie Malaney

Treasurer's Report – Barbara Kelly presented. Accept as filed.

President's Report – Stephanie Malaney

1. Our Town Hall – League members attended. See detailed president's report for more information.
2. Grand Chute Town Hall Clerk and former clerk gave a presentation on voting.
3. The study will continue on the proposed new Appleton Public Library.

Vice President of Program – Gayle Hardt informed us that 49 members and 17 guests have registered for the December Brunch.

Upcoming events - January 23rd Lively Issues will be held at the Appleton Public Library.

Voter Services – Jackie Klimazeski –

1. Forum for contested county board positions will be held.
2. Consideration being given to sponsoring a forum possibly in conjunction with AAUW for the Fox Cities Advocates for Public Education.
3. Help is needed for the voter registration events in Appleton in January.
4. A meeting is being set up with the new Appleton City Clerk.

Irene Strohbeen – Our League must come to consensus on the National Study Committee topic of “Money in Politics”. Three sessions will be held for members to review information on 3 separate areas within this topic. Detailed information is available on the website. Results of our meetings will be forwarded to the State League. Meeting dates to be determined.

Irene also submitted our responses to the state League on the urban policy survey.

Legislative Director Report – Penny Robinson – The legislative year was not all negative. Public transit funding was not cut and microbeads were banned.

Membership – There is a national database for membership that can be downloaded onto an excel spreadsheet. May 2015 is the most recent membership count.

Action Items:

1. Fundraising – in February or March an appeal letter will be sent to membership.
2. Two board members are needed for the nominating committee.
3. Mail chimp will be used by the League. It will be ready after Christmas.

Strategic Planning – Stephanie Malaney reported that the planning session for our strategic plan will be in January with Jan Quinlan as our facilitator.