Minutes 20161207

League of Women Voters Appleton Board Meeting Wednesday at 4:30pm Appleton Public Library

Call to Order

Members Present: Cindy Fallona, Penny Robinson, Jeanne Roberts, Stephanie Malaney, Barbara Kelly, Gayle Hardt

Call to Order at 4:36pm by Stephanie Malaney

Treasurer's Report – report in dropbox. Membership renewals are coming in. Seventy five people attended the holiday brunch. Good response to our fundraising letter. *Important to decide what year a member's payment for dues applies to.

President's Report – report in dropbox.

New Business – Issues briefing was held in Madison on 11/19/16. Research shows that people are much more likely to vote if they are registered. It was also noted that Wisconsin is a "leader" in suppressing the vote.

Strategic Plan

- Advocacy has not had established a committee.
- Members volunteered for the by-laws committee but no one has done anything to move it forward. The nominations committee will bring forth by-law changes
- Operations group should have four membership meetings a year. Question what constitutes a meeting?

Education Position Study Update

The Education position committee has done a great deal of work in reviewing the 2006 position paper. The committee will recommend that the education position be a Study in 2017. It was noted that the committee was frustrated with the lack of archival material on how the 2006 position was developed. Archival material will be available on the 2017 study process.

Motion made that the Board bring the education report and committee recommendation to proceed with a study in 2017 to the Lively Issues meeting in January.

Moved by Gayle Hardt Second by Jeanne Roberts Passed unanimously

Legislative – Penny Robinson

Transportation will be a major issue this upcoming year. Local mayors have stated that they do not have enough money to maintain roads. League of Municipalities is supporting increased funding for road maintenance. It was noted that the National LWV considers transit a basic need.

Adjournment at 5:44pm.

Minutes submitted by Cindy Fallona