

Minutes 20180307

League of Women Voters Appleton Board Meeting
Wednesday @ 5:00 PM Appleton Public Library

Dropbox for Minutes and Board Meeting Reports

Present were: Jeanne R., Elizabeth L., Irene S., Cindy F., Barbara D., Penny R., Karen B, Maren P., me

Call to Order

Jeanne called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM

Agenda Changes

none

Treasurer's Report--in Dropbox

Motion to accept the 2018-19 budget made by Maren. Second by Elizabeth

President's Report – in Dropbox

Jeanne would like to apply for the Membership-Leadership Development Award (MLD) After some discussion about having enough information to submit, Elizabeth made a motion to apply for the award; second by Cindy.

New Business -

Discussion and vote on new board members

Motion to accept slate of new officers for 2018-19 made by Cindy. Second by Maren.

Discussion and vote on 2018/2019 Budget

Discussion on MLD (Membership and Leadership Development) Award

Next year there will be a Director of Environment (new name) League is looking at having a Natural Resource Committee but not a Natural Resource Director. There would still have to a person the committee reports to or who leads the committee.

Sue Hofensberger has accepted the position as fundraising director for 2018-19.

Jessica Thiel has accepted the position of publicity and newsletter. Maren will continue as the Facebook specialist and Program Director. Irene's term will expire this year.

Old Business -

Electoral college - Abolishing the Electoral College program

March 14 program (Pi Day 3.14) will be held at the Appleton Public Library from 6-8 PM Room C

Attending and presenting will be Jeanne, Barbara, Irene, Sandy Rohde

There will be a Call to Action at this program with post cards available - with a script - so attendees may contact members of Congress. LWV will collect and mail in the postcards.

Reports -

Legislative Report/Newsletter – Penny Robinson in Dropbox

Penny highlighted Tracking Legislation on Youtube. A good way to understand the process. She also reported on the End Childhood Poverty Campaign. We are encouraged to sign the pledge as individuals.

Cindy will take over the Legislative position. Penny was thanked for all her hard work and a job well done. She will mentor Cindy in this position.

Please get articles for March/April Newsletter to Penny ASAP.

Natural Resources – Barbara Dorzweiler in Dropbox

Barbara highlighted from her report that the June 18 speaker has been rescheduled. Earth Day April 22 – Bubolz Nature Center will have family oriented activities. A non-profit, (such as LWV) can set up an informational booth for \$100. Author of Lost Child in the Woods will be at Bubolz.

Program – Irene Strohbeen in Dropbox

March 19 at Copper Rock explaining about LWV done in a game format. Will be competitive. Prizes to be awarded.

April meeting is speaker from Iris Place pertaining to Adverse Childhood Trauma.

May 21 Annual Meeting at Grand Meridian. No Program meeting at Copper Rock

Irene will over-spend her program budget by approximately \$100.

20% of this budget can go towards lobbying expenses.

Maren suggested that committees need to spend what is budgeted for them. Since LWV-A has no paid staff it would appear difficult to need a fundraiser/fundraising if we underspend the budget.

Membership – Elizabeth Laux in Dropbox

Elizabeth had new name tags available. They look GREAT! Will be used at March 19 meeting.

Suggestion made by Maren to include 'Scholarships are available' on LWV literature

There will be a Membership Committee meeting prior to the LWV meeting on March 19.

Voter Services – Jacqui Klimaszewski in Dropbox

Jeanne highlighted the meeting she and Jacqui had with Willems Marketing pertaining to Annual Voter Registration at the high schools. Some creative ideas and interested students. Timing is important so as not to interfere with AP exams, college visits, graduation, etc.

High Schoolers would prefer "young" people talking to them about voting and voter registration.

Suggestion there be a specific tab on LWV (MyLo) just for young voters to make it easy to find the information.

Jacqui would like to hold a forum for City Council but not many are responding to her.

County Board forum will not be held due to the high numbers of candidates running.

Observer Corps – Cindy Fallona

Cindy is transitioning out of this role.

Communication – Maren Peterson

Announcements -

Adjournment -

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Elizabeth; second by Barbara.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

LouAnn Graf

