

Minutes of September 5, 2018
League of Women Voters Appleton Board Meeting
Wednesday @ 4:30 PM Appleton Public Library

Dropbox for Minutes and Board Meeting Reports

Call to Order

Jeanne called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Present were: Jeanne Roberts, Irene Strohbeen, Sue Hopfensberger, Elizabeth Laux, Jacqui Klimaszewski, LouAnn Graf

Agenda Changes

Treasurer's Report—in Dropbox (no report in Dropbox)

President's Report – in Dropbox

Several items highlighted by Jeanne:

*LWV needs more diverse and younger members to join. This is a state-wide push for all leagues.

*When asked to collaborate with another organization, we must make certain they understand LWV is non-partisan and that they (the other organization) are non-partisan. This must be made absolutely clear.

* When other organizations ask to collaborate to help register voters, or anyone else from LWV asked to volunteer, all volunteers must be trained first by Jacqui Klimaszewski.

* For 2019-20 budgets...When board members provide a barebones budget (basic needs) and a dream budget (wants!) to Fundraising Committee...Jeanne encourages all to DREAM BIG. This can also include ideas for our 100th anniversary celebration.

*LWV-A is looking at a tiered system when joining LWV-A in order to be more inclusive of people at different economic levels. This would be place of scholarships.

New Business -

Welcome back and introductions

Annual goals * See President's Report and see above

Bare bones budget requests and dream budget requests *See above

Old Business -

Reports -

Program – Irene Strohbeen -report in Dropbox

Reminder that LWV-A and AAUW are co-sponsoring a program on Oct. 2 at APL from 6:30-7:30 PM

Irene suggested Jeanne reach out to Rachel Raasch as a new/younger member. Rachel was one of the LWV-WE panelists.

Legislative Report/Newsletter – Cindy – no report

Voter Services – Jacqui Klimaszewski – report in Dropbox

*Jacqui wrote a grant for a Portable Stand Banner Display for more visibility. Primarily thinking of FVTC.

- *Jacqui will be asking Penny Robinson to help with upcoming Candidate Forums.
- *OCREA luncheon is Oct. 20 noon- 1 PM
- *GOTV with Sarah McDonald – no date set. Postcards to be sent to those who have not voted in past. Question if LWV-A should be involved. We can publicize event and help write post cards.
- * **Anything/anyone working with voter registration must have training by Jacqui first and understand the non-partisan role of LWV**
- *Promote Vote 411 LWV-A takes care of local elections
- *FCA4PE would like to put LWV logo on voter guides of which Jacqui has assisted. Boards gave approval.

Fundraising – Sue Hopfensberger – Report in Dropbox

- *Board could not approve the acquisition of a gambling license since there was not a quorum
- *Board did start some Brainstorming for Dream budgets/100th Anniversary celebration.
- *Thought of charging admission fee for big-name speaker for 100th Anniversary to help defray costs and the venue to host (PAC? Exhibition Center?)
- *Annual fall fundraising letter will go out about September 17, 2018

Membership – Elizabeth Laux – report in Dropbox

- *Mid-October Elizabeth will send out membership renewal letters...not to coincide with fundraising letters.
- Always the question....how to attract younger members.

Communication – Jessica Thiel – No report

Program/Communication – Maren Peterson – No report

Announcements -

Adjournment - Jeanne ended the meeting at 5:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

LouAnn Graf