

League of Women Voters of Appleton-Fox Cities Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 - 4:00 p.m.

This meeting was held by Zoom

1. Welcome and call to order (4:00)

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. Members present: Cindy Fallona, Patti Clark-Strojke, Linda Bjella, Jacqui Klimaszewski, Jan Quinlan, Jan Smith, Kathy Voigt, April Savage, and Deb Otteson.

2. Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes from the April 2, 2025 board meeting
- b) Presidents' Report
- c) Treasurer's Report
- d) Action
- e) Communications & Technology
- f) DEI
- g) Membership
- h) Voter Services

Cindy Fallona moved to accept the consent agenda and Jan Quinlan seconded. All in favor, no opposition, or abstentions.

3. Old Business

a) Transformation update

- i) reconciling the Chapter Spot and Club Express rosters (Cindy)

Cindy Fallona reports finding five members in Club Express that are not in Chapter Spot. She has requested help from Chapter Spot and has had no response yet.

- ii) tracking Stripe payments (Patti)

Stripe is working. The spring fundraising drive has raised a total of \$12601.00. Fundraising \$9701, sponsoring members \$2500, and \$391 from other sources since March 1.

- iii) engaging new members

Cindy Fallona sends a welcoming email and a packet in the mail to new members. Linda Bjella also sends an email.

b) Annual Meeting Presentations

Who will present each of the items during the meeting?

Patti Clark-Strojke and Diane Putzer: Budget

Jan Quinlan: Local positions Consensus

Sara Companik: Nominating Committee

Linda Bjella: Bylaws

Jan Quinlan: Unite & Rise 8.5 Call to Action

c) Other Logistics

- *Jan Quinlan will send an email reminder with a packet on Friday.*
- *DEI book table. Some books to check out, some to keep.*
- *Linda Bjella will work on a rotating slideshow of pictures of league events.*
- *Poster boards from each Committee with descriptions and photos. See Kathy Voigt for pictures.*
- *Kathy Voigt will print Call to Action_ 'wrapper' which will be folded with other loose handouts inside.*
- *Budget, Agenda, Consensus, Bylaw changes, and Nominating committee report will be in packets with two per table. Linda will print copies.*

- *Cindy Fallona will bring the swag merchandise. Patti Clark-Strojke and Deb Otteson will take care of the swag table.*

d) LWVWI Annual Meeting

i) Coordinate attendees

Jan Quinlan, Linda Bjella, Jan Smith, Nancy Jones, and Cindy Fallona will be attending.

ii) Basket for Silent Auction (Jan S.)

The basket will contain: a CD from a local artist, a \$50 gift certificate from Richeson Art Company, Watercolors and brushes, An art book, An activist book, a Penzey gift card, a Painting by Jan Smith and Minocqua beer.

4. New Business

a) LWV US declaration of Constitutional Crisis

To Do List:

- *Read the Toolbox from the National League e-mailed May 1st (all)*
- *Send a letter to the editor of the Post Crescent (Linda)*
- *Talk to The Dairyland Patriot and write up an article (Linda and Jan Q)*
- *Present at the annual meeting. (Jan Q)*
- *Organize a committee.*

b) Plans for summer picnic

June 12th

Display boards

Each Committee Chair will do a short presentation.

A link to the registration page will be in the annual meeting packet.

5. Wrap-Up / Assignments

a) NO MAY NEWSLETTER

b) Website updates (Kathy)

Special moment: Since this was Linda Bjella's last Board meeting as president after four years, each director thanked Linda for her leadership, hard work, service and inspiration.

Jan Quinlan made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Kathy Voigt seconded. All in favor, no opposition, or abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Otteson

Secretary