

Minutes - League of Women Voters Board of Directors meeting (via Zoom)

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

### Agenda

Social Gathering (3:45 – 4:00)

In attendance were: Julie Evers, Marti Hemwall, Linda Bjella, Brian Post, Kathy Voigt, Barb Kelly, Renee Gralewitz, Jacqui Klimaczewski, Jeanne Roberts, Diane Putzer, Jan Quinlan.

Call to Order (4:00)

Marti called the meeting to order at 4:03.

Google Drive tips -- Barb Kelly (4:00-4:15)

- Bookmark the Google Drive link in your browser.
- Be respectful about altering other people's documents.
- We need protocols about where documents should be filed.
- Name files the same every month and add date (YY-MM-DD) for easy sorting.

Consent Agenda (4:15 – 4:20) - please read reports prior to meeting. Information will not be discussed unless questions are raised prior to meeting.

Minutes from May 5, 2021\* and June 2, 2021 meetings

Presidents' Report\*

Committee Reports (approval includes reports from both June and July 2021 meetings)

Treasurer/Fundraising\*

Voter Services\*

Membership (report for June and August meetings need to be posted)

Action/advocacy\*

Program/ Women's Equality Day\*

DEI/DEI study committee update \*

Communication/Technology

Asterisk (\*) means June Report is posted in June folder

All reports but membership have been submitted. The membership report has been removed from the consent agenda. Kathy moved to accept the consent agenda. Diane seconded the motion. All in favor, no opposed. Motion passed.

Old Business (4:20 – 4:30)

Club Express – review recommendations from the Club Express steering committee

- We can identify our own membership renewal guidelines. We will continue the grace period for those who join mid-year.
- We will be using the US League brand standards for a consistent, professional look.
- One challenge will be using language that is familiar to the seeker rather than League lingo.
- Each committee chair can keep their content dynamic.

- The language needs to be freshened to make it more inviting and engaging.

## New Business (4:30-4:55)

Guidelines for holding in-person meetings -

should we follow Public Health department guidelines?

- Who should be the official word? CDC? State or local public health department?
- Should we ask volunteers to be fully vaccinated?
- At what point do we pivot to online rather than in person? Who enforces the guidelines?
- Guidelines may change due to public health circumstances. Check Facebook for updates.

It was proposed that we follow the Appleton Public Health Department's policy and publicize that on social media. Linda made a motion to accept this policy and Brian seconded the motion. All in favor, no opposed. Motion passed.

Collaboration opportunities: what parameters do we or should we have with partnership and collaborations, particularly for our nonpartisan status? Examples: APL and Maternal Infant Mortality Prevention Unit, DEI partners in community.

- We have to protect our non-partisan status.
- Who decides on collaboration? The board?
- We should put some organizations that have shared characteristics on an "approved" list.
- Organizations we collaborate with must be non-partisan, event topic must be consistent with League positions and the event must not be at the same time as a League event.

Jacqui and Linda will make revisions to Jacqui's document and bring it to the next board meeting for approval.

Location for LWV events (Renee) – discussion

Locations that were suggested included Copper Rock, Long Chen Marketplace, River Time, Pillars. Renee will check into prices and availability and report at the next board meeting. The annual meeting will be held at Pullman's.

## Announcements

### **August 6 -- Deadline for newsletter**

August 13 - African Heritage, Inc. Back-to-School event

August 21 - Celebrate Diversity Fox Cities event

August 26 – Women's Equality Day

### **September 1 - Board meeting (Zoom)**

September 11 - LatinoFest

September 13 –LWV Appleton program: Introduction to Civil Discourse, Copper Rock (5- 6:30)

### **Board strategy breakfast meeting: Saturday, September 25: 9-12 Noon – check your calendars (place TBD)**

October 4 – Legislative Town Hall with Fox Valley legislators (zoom)

September 28 -- National Voter Registration Day

October 30 -- Issues briefing in Madison (hybrid event)

Remaining Infrastructure meetings

August 5 (Drinking Water and Wastewater)

August 19 (Hazardous Waste and Solid Waste)

Brian made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Linda seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

Marti adjourned the meeting at 5:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Evers

Secretary