

## Board Meeting Minutes January 27, 2021 - via Zoom

Meeting called to order by Pres. Barb Barany at 7:00 pm

Members present – Barb Barany, Barb Anderson, Jim DeBenedet, Stephanie DeBenedet, Karen Lake, Rita Mills, Florence Sprague, Mary Peterson, Wayne Groff, Karen Schaffer, Rachel Geiser, Priscilla Morton, Members not present - Jessica Holz,

### 7:00 - 8:30 PM - board business

- 1. Additions/changes to agenda None
- 2. Approval of minutes, November 18, 2020 Tabled to Feb Meeting
- 3. Treasurer's Report No comments on treasurer's report
- 4. Reports of Officers Discussion/Questions/Comments
  - a. President A virtual convention coming up. No info on fees yet.
  - b. Vice President No report.
  - c. Secretary None
- 5. Reports of Committees Discussion/Questions/Comments

# a. Action/Advocacy -question regarding additional presentations – Has sent out emails to invite more committee members so all five cities are represented. Committee wants to do more environmental programs.

- b. Communications Continuing to do what they have been doing. Been wonderful to be associated with the Library. Programs have all been well done.
- c. Membership We have lost four lifetime member over the last year, three over the past few months. Invoices will start coming from the national LWV. Dues breakdown to national, \$32, MN \$27. \$16.00 for additional members.
- d. Program Conversations w/ constituents went well. February is Paul Huffman. March will be about discrimination in housing.
- e. Program Studies
  - i. ADA Compliance in our Five Cities -continue into 2021-22? Barb Barany opined that we could continue into another year without the need to ask for approval to do so.
  - Equitable Representation Study Committee Karen Schaffer reported the committee has sent a survey to all committee members in each City. Only about 40 to 50% have responded so far.
    Wayne Groff suggested that the committee chairs be called and asked to prompt their members to respond.
- f. Voter Services Karen Lake mentioned that Nick Harper of the state LWV offered his opinion that making democracy more representative will support other League priorities.

g. Ad Hoc Centennial Committee – Mary Peterson reported they want to have the traveling exhibit at the Maplewood and Roseville libraries this coming spring. Maplewood declined and Roseville may also.

### 6. Unfinished business

Discussion/Action – Procedures upon the death of a member – Karen Schaffer suggested we could add a sentence to the procedure that the Board retains the discretion to make a memorial in the name of a deceased member. Florence Sprague suggested we might also want to include recent former members. None opposed, one abstention, all others in support of the revised policy. Included at the end of these minutes.

### 7. New Business

- a. People Powered Fair Maps –questions for Paul Huffman, LWVRA role February will bring Paul Huffman of LWVMN speaking on Redistricting on Feb. 16, 7 p.m. on the RCLRV zoom platform. If you are not registered go to https://rclreads.bibliocommons.com/events/5fc672b41d94912f00a8ebb6
- b. If you would like to submit questions before the night of-send them to Florence Sprague, misemer@msn.com
- c. New member recruitment Discussion on how to promote joining through our zoom programs.

### 8. Announcements -

9. Adjournment – Adjourned 8:40 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Procedure upon the death of a member of LWV Roseville Area (LWVRA)

If LWVRA receives information regarding the death of a member, the Communications Director shall cause to be prepared a notice for inclusion in weekly e-Blast and subsequent issue of The Voter. If possible, a link to a public obituary should be included.

If any monetary contributions are sent to LWV RA in memory of a deceased member, the Membership Chair shall send a letter of appreciation to the donor and to the member's family, if contact information is available.

Monetary contributions in the name of a deceased member shall be posted as general revenue and expended in accordance with the adopted budget. Acknowledgment of any contribution shall be made in the LWVRA Annual Report. The Board retains the discretion to make a memorial in the name of a deceased member.

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