

## Minutes of the LWV Roseville Area Board Meeting July 22, 2020 - via Zoom

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by President Barb Barany

Present: Barb Barany, Barb Anderson, Jim DeBenedet, Stef DeBenedet, Jessica Holz, Karen Lake, Rita Mills, Karen Schaffer, Florence Sprague, Rachel Geiser, Priscilla Morton, Wayne Groff, Mary Peterson Absent: None

- 1. Additions/changes to agenda None
- 2. Approval of minutes, June 17, 2020 Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. No corrections, addition accepted as presented.
- 3. Treasurer's Report Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. No discussion
- 4. Reports of Officers Discussion/Questions/Comments
  - a. President Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. No comments
  - b. Vice President Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Discussed caucuses attended for national convention. Attended all youth discussions including girl scouts merit badges (Voter girl), which is potentially a way for our league to engage youth.
  - c. Secretary None
- 5. Reports of Committees Discussion/Questions/Comments
  - a. Action/Advocacy Report provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Priscilla had a question about moving to a Sunday. Looked OK for now. There will be a Sierra Club meeting next Tuesday.
  - b. Communications Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Mary will begin this Sunday to take responsibility for E-blast. Barb A. was contacted by LWV MN about discounted Zoom rate.
  - c. Membership Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. In addition Rita reported that about 1/3 of members have been a part of League for less than three years. She emphasized the importance of being cautious when using acronyms and assuming an understanding of League in communication. Due to the number of new members joining since sending out the recent directory, Rita asked about revising it again. The consensus was to revise and send out when there were at least ten new members.
  - d. Program Provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Had the first virtual Books and Brews, which went very well. Possible Dec program on racial justice including redlining in suburbs. February could be about redistricting.
  - e. Co-sponsorships We must be very careful about vetting co-sponsors to be sure any other group is consistent with LWV values.
  - f. Program Studies

- ADA Compliance in our Five Cities Study plan was provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Jim D. reported on first meeting and status. Jessica Holz asked if we wanted reports about issues and was told yes.
- ii. Equitable Representation Study Committee (board feedback requested) Plan was provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Karen Schaffer reported for committee. They intend to develop a questionnaire about appointment practices in each City including a list of appointments from the last 10 years. Discussion ensued about what effect qualifications to be appointed to various commissions might have.
- g. Voter Services Report was provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Karen Lake is attending meetings with Secretary of State and voting officials to learn about voting today.
- h. Ad hoc Census A report was provided to Board members by email prior to meeting. Barb B. reported there is concern that President Trump's recent public order makes it more difficult to get immigrant communities accurate information on responding to the census.

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## 6. Unfinished business

Racial equity focus – Barb B. asked if any League members have expressed interest in working on this. Florence said no one has expressed an interest outside of programs. Barb Anderson moved that our programs all include a racial equity focus if appropriate. Motion was approved.

## 7. New Business

- a. Approval of \$80 for Membership committee supplies Moved by Karen Lake. Approved by show of hands.
- b. Approval of \$74.95 for one year of Zoom at the non-profit rate Moved by Barb Anderson, approved.
- 8. Announcements Asked about meeting time and it was decided to go back to 7:00 pm.
- 9. Adjournment 7:58pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 26, 2020

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