

2/4/19 LWVMC Board Meeting

Board Members In Attendance: Gloria Davis, Nitya Velu, Bryan Peluso, Ben Sullivan, Tracy Moebius, Lindsey Kauffman, Beth Strohl, Pam Conrad, Steve Tingley-Hawk, Mary Burkey

Cheryl Roller & Barb Hykes (by Phone)

Staff in Attendance: Elizabeth Grieser

Not in Attendance: Lindsey Montanari

Motion to Approve minutes as amended grammatically. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report:

Negative expense and larger than expected expense is just smoothing out the numbers coming up on the end of the fiscal year.

Grant revenue from last month: \$800 pass through funding from state for Mary Austin-Palmer Youth Voter project & \$5,900 ACE grant payment (for 4th quarter 2018 voter service events)

We are applying for the ACE grant again in the coming weeks.

Treasurer's Report filed for audit.

Strategic Plan 4R:

Discussion of plan-

The plan took 1.5 years of dedicated people and paid consultants. Don't want to spend an hour going over it, but should review and discuss at the next retreat. It's a good plan, but ambitious and has too many goals for an org our size. Most people weren't on the board when this was developed. A couple of things are still issues 7 years later. Strategic planning should be done frequently. Politically the situation is very different now than it was 12 years ago. We don't need to go through an exhaustive process, but we need to have a conversation about how we're coordinating moving forward. We have a wide variety of members that are members for a variety of reasons. The board has the opportunity to influence how we move forward.

Action Items for next board meeting:

Each board member choose 3 goals to work on from the study.

GOAL 1: Cultivate the belief in and practice of civil discourse among all community members

GOAL 2: Educate citizens on how to take action on their own priority civic and political issues

GOAL 3: Position LWV of Central Ohio as a lead organization on reliable non-partisan voter information, citizen education, and protection of voter rights

GOAL 4: Enhance the accountability and openness of elected officials and governmental processes

GOAL 5: Increase the engagement of diverse populations in our democracy

Items to discuss in future meetings after goal discussion:

- Guiding Principles (part of goals discussion)
- Operations (How do we act? What does this look like?)
- Committee roles and responsibilities
- Metrics
- Succession Planning – Eventually
- Agility
- Truth Connect
- LWVMC Needs to reflect the community we want to serve

100 Anniversary Speaker:

Names to add: Katie Couric, Jill Abramson, Shannon Watts, Vanita Gupta, Sara Kendzior, Rebecca Traister

Names to remove: Ruth Bader Ginsberg, Tina Brown, Elena Kagan, Janet Napolitano, Michelle Obama, Kathleen Sebelius, Sonia Sotomayer, Gloria Steinem, Kathleen Sebelius

Membership:

Don't need to spend a lot of time focusing on people leaving the organization. Small number and did get 22 to renew with calls.

Opportunity to use text to engage members – currently in initial stage of this process.

The Root – How racism tainted the women's suffrage – the board should all read this article

Program Planning:

Top priority from state league is automatic voter registration

Our next level priorities:

- Reproductive choice
- National Popular Vote Compact and Children's Issues

Discussion around the priorities:

What's the division of resources at state league?

Paid Staff – most of time on voting issues. Lobbying Corps – volunteer experts that lobby and testify in support/against issues

Motion to approve program planning notes and send to State League as decided in program planning meeting. Motion seconded. – 11 aye

Pam – votes nay **Motion passes.**

Meeting Adjourn