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According to Article V Section 8 of the Bylaws – Quorum

A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum (need 7 for a quorum)

2017-18 LWVMDM Board of Directors	June 24 retreat	Aug 8	Sept 12	Oct 10	Nov 14	Dec 12	Jan 9	Feb 13	Mar 13	April 10	Annual meeting	May 8	June 12
1. <i>President</i> – Kathy Kahoun	X	X	X	X	X	X							
2. <i>Co-Vice President</i> – Phyllis Franklin-Devine	X	X	X	X	X	X							
3. <i>Co-Vice President</i> – Dorothy McGinnis	X	X	X	X	A	X							
4. <i>Recording Secretary</i> – Teresa Bomhoff			X	X	X	X							
5. <i>Corresponding Secretary</i> – Judy Dirks	X	X	X	X	X	A							
6. <i>Treasurer</i> – Karla Bromwell	X	X		X	X	X							
7. <i>Elected Director</i> – Jessie Hill	X		X	X	A	X							
8. <i>Elected Director</i> – Barbara Adams	X	X	X	X	X	X							
9. <i>Appointed Director</i> – Karla Brizzi	X	X	X		X	X							
10. <i>Appointed Director</i> – Karen Person	X	X	X	X	A	X							
11. <i>Appointed Director</i> – Christie Gerken		X	X		X	X							
12. <i>Appointed Director</i> – Rebecca Barloon		X	X		X	A							
13. <i>Appointed Director</i>													
14. <i>Appointed Director</i>													

Meeting called to order at 6:10 P.M. Location Caribou Coffee on Ingersoll
 Type of meeting 12-12-17 Regular Board meeting X Special meeting of the Board _____
 Date of Meeting 12-12-17
10 # in Attendance 2 # absent - Quorum reached? X Yes _____ No _____ Guests _____

Strategic Plan Tactical Objectives – Education, Advocacy, Inclusiveness and Relevance

LWVMDM Dues
 \$75/1 person
 \$112.50/2 persons

Motions Made – Vote tally

Barb A. _____ Motion to approve 12-12-17 agenda

Vote Tally 10 Yes _____ No _____ Approved? X Yes _____ No _____

Christie _____ Motion to approve minutes of 11-14-17 meeting

Vote Tally 10 Yes _____ No _____ Approved? X Yes _____ No _____

Treasurer’s report accepted

Karen P _____ Motion to pay \$400 for the next year of website cost and \$200 one time fee for content migration package

Vote Tally 10 Yes _____ No _____ Approved? X Yes _____ No _____

Phyllis _____ Motion to adjourn

Vote Tally 10 Yes _____ No _____ Approved? X Yes _____ No _____

Summary of activities since last meeting

Tues., Nov. 21 – Vote Smart – Key points – Candidates move the public emotionally, it is much more difficult to move them intellectually. | It is not our job to educate, it is our job to win | Fear works. | \$ spent on election by George Washington was \$150 – John F. Kennedy - \$260M – in 2008 - \$5B | 90% of a candidate’s time is spent on fundraising | 2012 – 50% of \$ raised was used to trash the opponent | 2016 – 80%. | Richard Kimball, President of Vote Smart, advised us to go to the App Store and download the “On Point” from Vote Smart. He acknowledged that the LWV provides similar material thru Vote 411.

Sat., Dec. 1 – Holiday Party – 21 people attended + Bill Stowe, DMWW, our speaker. Kathy summarized what we’ve been involved in this year – Fake News, Vote 411, Vote Smart. Coming up is the Dec. 5 Gubernatorial Candidate Mental Health forum, Dec. 6 Voter Integrity Training at the State Capitol, and the Book Club selection in February.

DJ Jaffe announced Sherry Hutchinson is 99 and can no longer live independently at Wesley Acres. Jan. 13 is her birthday. Mail to Sherry should be sent to DJ Jaffe to deliver to Sherry.

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Speaker Bill Stowe, DMWW, discussed the situation last year and gave attendees the 2018 DMWW legislative priorities. Questions were asked and answered. Go to www.cirdwc.com - if you are interested in the water production regionalization discussions (Central Iowa Regional Drinking Water Commission – (cirdwc).

Agenda Items Discussed

Approval of agenda - done

Approval of 11-14-17 minutes - done

President's report - December gubernatorial forum – LWV had visibility

Voting Rights Training at the State Capitol – approximately 25 attended

Treasurer's report - \$5107.54 balance in checking account

\$1000+ ed funds requested from LWV National

35 memberships paid, 16 have not renewed yet

Website – Approved expenditure of \$400 for the next year's website cost and \$200 for a one-time fee for content migration package

January Board meeting – date has been changed to Tuesday, Jan. 30 – at Karen Person's home – 3663 Grand, Unit 107 – Joe Benesch will lead the review of the strategic plan and we will determine what we do next.

Reminder - February Book Discussion – Judy Dirks proposed to change our book to "Remember the Ladies by Angela P. Dodson. The change was accepted by acclamation. The book ties in with the movie "Iron Jawed Angels" and into the celebration of 100th Anniversary of LWV. Judy will make a copy of the book cover for the Christmas party so attendees will know what book we will be reading.

Committee reports

Objective A – Voting Rights & Registration Committee – Karla Brizzi - Chairperson of Voting Rights and Registration committee

Dec. 1 – Naturalization ceremony at U.S. Courthouse

Dec. 6 – Voter Integrity Workshop with the Secretary of State's office 10 AM to Noon – Iowa State Capitol, Room 103, former Supreme Court

Chamber. The first draft of voter registration cards sent out in December to people who do not have access to photo ID. The workshop was videotaped and will be put on our website. Kathy has already received the power point. Around 25 attended the event.

Objective B – Membership + Community Engagement – Karen Person, Chairperson of Membership & Community Engagement committee

Increase organizational capacity – a partnership/mentoring system has been set up to match Board members with new members.

Objective C – Program + Advocacy – Barb Adams - Chairperson of Programs and Advocacy Committee – 47 attended the Vote Smart meeting

on Nov. 21. The "on point" app was noted. President Kimball noted we were the only location in his tour of the U.S. who had the media present and had the Des Moines mayor attend. The Drake professor, Rachel Caulfield to help staff the Vote Smart office is out of the country on sabbatical. Christie said she will email information to all the organizations who were asked to attend and send them pertinent information from the event.

Objective E – Increase Organizational Capacity – At an Executive Board meeting on 12/7/17 –

LWVMMDM –37 paid memberships

17 members who have not paid their dues will be contacted again by Dorothy.

Last year, LWVMMDM had 44 members.

Thank you's will be sent to persons who made additional contributions to the Ed fund.

Phyllis will call people to find out if they want to renew as a Board member.

Nominating committee is composed of Kathy, Phyllis, Dorothy and one non-Board member.

Present officers who've agreed to be an officer next year: Teresa as Secretary.

Other positions open: President, Co-V-P, Co-V-P, Recording Secretary, Treasurer

Website and facebook manager: Rebecca Barloon?

Objective G – Reach a Higher Level of Financial Sustainability – At an Executive Board meeting on 12/7/17

Letter sent 12/6/17 to Jim Ringnecker at LWV National to send us the \$1000+ in our Ed fund at the National Office.

We are okay with our budget – income exceeds expenses by around \$1700.

Other business

Karla B indicated we could sign up new citizens at the Federal Courthouse as well as the Federal Building. So far the Federal Building has been 1X/month. The Federal Courthouse will be **Dec. 14** at 9 AM and 1 PM and **Jan. 3** at 9 AM and 1 PM. More 2018 dates are needed for the planning calendar. A message will be sent to the membership for help and Karla's Drake connection will also be messaged.

Time of adjournment ____ 6:59 PM_- Teresa Bomhoff

Recording Secretary, League of Women Voters, Metro Des Moines Chapter

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4 committees and 6 subcommittees

