



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®  
OF MENDOCINO COUNTY

*Empowering voters, defending democracy*

# Annual Meeting 2026

June 14, 2026, 2 pm  
Caspar Community Center

## Agenda

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| 1. Welcome, Call to Order, Adoption of Agenda          | Charlene McAllister   |
| 2. Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2025   | Morning Nichols       |
| 3. Presentation of 2025/26 Financial Report            | Olga Agnew            |
| 4. Presentation/Adoption of Recommended 2025/26 Budget | Kate Lee              |
| 5. Election of Directors, Officers, Off-Board Chairs   | Cindy Plank           |
| • Verification of quorum                               |                       |
| • Nominating Committee Report                          |                       |
| • Nominations from the Floor                           |                       |
| • Election of Directors, Officers, Off-Board Chairs    |                       |
| 6. Adoption of Local Program                           | Charlene McAllister   |
| 7. Directions to the Board from Members                | New Presiding Officer |

Adjournment

## Supporting materials:

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**The League of Women Voters of Mendocino County**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**Sunday, June 8, 2025 11:00 am - 1:00 pm**  
**Caspar Community Center**

**Board members present:** Charlene McAllister, Dorine Real, Jary Stavely, Paula Cohen, Pat Dunbar, Sydney Grange, Peter McNamee, Nancy Severy.

**Board members absent:** Carole Press, Darra Williamson, Annabell Guinan

**The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am** by Charlene McAllister, President. A quorum was present.

Charlene stated that **Annual Minutes Committee** Chair Darra Williamson was unable to be present but had confirmed the minutes of June 1, 2024 were accurate as presented. A motion to approve was made by Jary Stavely, seconded by Nancy Severy and approved.

Nancy Severy presented the **2024/25 Financial Report** through May 31, with no questions from those present.

In the absence of Budget Chair Kate Lee, Nancy presented the **2025/26 Recommended Budget**. With a motion by the budget committee and a second by Pat Dunbar the 2025/26 Budget was adopted as presented.

**Bylaws Changes:** Charlene explained the bylaws were reviewed by LWV California and revised as required by LWVUS, especially in regard to the new membership system. With no objections, the bylaws were approved by the membership as recommended.

**Nominations Committee** Chair, Cindy Plank presented the recommended officers, directors and off-board committee chairs for approval. By a motion by Nicole Glentzer and a second by Carol Czadek, the following slate was elected for the 2025/26 fiscal year:

President, Charlene McAllister  
1<sup>st</sup> VP, Sydney Grange  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Jess Green  
Treasurer, Pat Dunbar  
Secretary, Darra Williamson  
Director, Jary Stavely  
Director, Dorine Real  
Director, Paula Cohen  
Director, Nancy Severy

Off Board Budget Chair, Kate Lee  
Off Board Nominations Chair, Cindy Plank

Following the election, **Peter McNamee was appointed as one of the 3 additional directors** allowed as described in LWVMC bylaws.

**Adoption of Local Program:** Charlene called on Sydney Grange and Jess Green to talk about the Civic Engagement Project, which was the local program recommended as a result of LWVMC Program Planning. The Civic Engagement Project team, which includes Pat Dunbar and Dorine Real, have put together surveys, bingo cards, challenge checklists and raffle tickets for those who complete a survey to enter a drawing for a donation to a local nonprofit. The team has started out at Fort Bragg Farmers Market, will soon add Mendocino Farmers Market, and will add upcoming committee events. The goal is to inspire people to engage in their community, which is beneficial not only for democracy but also for improved health. As the project takes hold and more members become interested in being involved, the committee envisions spreading out into other parts of the county. Jess reported that Bode Gower, founder of Northern California Youth Policy Coalition, expressed interest by the incoming officers in learning more about the project. Nicole Glentzer recommended reaching out to high school & college clubs. Those in attendance shared enthusiasm for the project and the program was unanimously approved.

**Announcements:**

LWVC virtual convention dates were shared by Charlene, who invited anyone interested to attend with LWVMC covering the registration fees.

Jary shared info about a planning meeting scheduled for noon 6/27 at Noyo River Grill for those interested in assisting with the 105<sup>th</sup> celebration of Women's Equality Day, 8/24 at Kelly House Museum. Mendocino County Women's Political Coalition and LWVMC are co-hosting.

Cindy read the LWVUS & LWVC joint press release from earlier that day condemning the use of federal force on peaceful protestors.

Judy Leach, Government Affairs Executive for Adventist Health, encouraged communications with Congressmembers and Senators regarding the impact on entire communities, rural healthcare facilities and medical staff if Medicaid is cut as a result of the federal budget currently being discussed.

**The meeting was adjourned at noon** for a potluck lunch and stimulating table conversations.

Submitted by Cindy Plank

# Proposed Annual Budget 2026-27 with 2025-26 Financials

	7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026		
	BUDGET	BUDGET	Actual	Difference
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Donations</b>				
Donations General	300.00	2,500.00	280.17	(2,219.83)
Donations-Education Fund	3,000.00	1,500.00	100.00	(1,400.00)
Donations-InKind	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>	<b>380.17</b>	<b>(3,619.83)</b>
<b>Dues</b>				
Dues (20% from Nat'l)	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,457.22	457.22
<b>Total Dues</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,457.22</b>	<b>457.22</b>
Interest Income	10.00	10.00	1.98	(8.02)
<b>Fundraisers</b>				
Virtual Garden Tour	500.00	-	-	-
Other Fundraisers	-	1,500.00	-	(1,500.00)
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,500.00)</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>5,810.00</b>	<b>6,510.00</b>	<b>1,839.37</b>	<b>(4,670.63)</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Fundraising Expense</b>				
Virtual Garden Tour	50.00	-	-	-
Other Fundraisers	-	200.00	-	(200.00)
<b>Total Fundraising Expenses</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(200.00)</b>
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Candidate Forums	300.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
LWV Annual Convention	2,000.00	4,000.00	-	(4,000.00)
Meet & Greet	400.00	400.00	-	(400.00)
Meeting Expenses	320.00	500.00	200.00	(300.00)
Membership Development	200.00	300.00	-	(300.00)
Pros / Cons	50.00	50.00	-	(50.00)
Vote 411	100.00	400.00	-	(400.00)
Voter Services / Registration	500.00	1,600.00	629.28	(970.72)
Youth Outreach	200.00	4,000.00	250.73	(3,749.27)
zCivic Engagement-Donations	50.00	-	50.00	50.00
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<b>4,120.00</b>	<b>11,300.00</b>	<b>1,230.01</b>	<b>(10,069.99)</b>
<b>Dues - PMP</b>				
Dues to LWVC	-	-	-	-
Dues to LWVUS	-	-	2,608.00	2,608.00
<b>Total Dues - PMP</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,608.00</b>	<b>2,608.00</b>
<b>Operating/Admin Expenses</b>				
Advertising / Media	1,000.00	50.00	-	(50.00)
Bank Fees	-	50.00	-	(50.00)
Bookkeeping	-	600.00	450.00	(150.00)
Website	400.00	460.00	375.00	(85.00)
Filing Fees	25.00	-	25.00	25.00
Insurance	50.00	50.00	43.29	(6.71)
Post Office Box Rent	200.00	200.00	192.00	(8.00)
Postage	50.00	50.00	27.37	(22.63)
Zoom	100.00	100.00	-	(100.00)
zOther Admin / Oper Expense	-	150.00	87.50	(62.50)
<b>Total Operating/Admin Expenses</b>	<b>1,825.00</b>	<b>1,710.00</b>	<b>1,200.16</b>	<b>(509.84)</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>5,995.00</b>	<b>13,210.00</b>	<b>5,038.17</b>	<b>(8,171.83)</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>(185.00)</b>	<b>(6,700.00)</b>	<b>(3,198.80)</b>	<b>3,501.20</b>

Please note the "Actual" numbers column FYE 7/1/2025-6/30/2026 reflects data through 2/2026 only, as later data was not available at the packet mailing date. Updated numbers will be provided at the Annual Meeting itself.

# **Nominating Committee Report for 2026/27**

## **Recommended Slate of Officers, Directors, Off Board Chairs**

### **5 Elected Officers:**

President, Charlene McAllister  
1st VP, Sydney Grange  
2nd VP, Jess Green  
Treasurer, Olga Agnew  
Secretary, Darra Williamson

### **4 Elected Directors:**

Jary Stavely  
Peter McNamee  
Dorine Real  
Paula Cohen

### **Up to 3 Directors to be appointed by the Elected Board:**

Morning Nichols

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### **2 Elected Off Board Chairs:**

Budget Chair, Kate Lee  
Nominations Co-Chairs, Cindy Plank & Donne Brownsey

# Program Planning 2026–27

## **National Program**

The Mendocino County League of Women Voters supports the U.S. League’s Women Defend Democracy: Democracy Under Siege program’s six prongs—Voting Rights, Election Protection, Redistricting, Individual Liberties, Immigration; and The Presidency—with the following added concerns: protection of a free press, preserving robust public education, responding to threats to the environment, abolishing the electoral college, A.I. regulation, campaign finance reform, the role of the media, workers’ rights, and moving forward towards economic reform. Equality and equity are guiding principles for our priorities.

## **Local Priorities**

- Voter Service—voter registration, candidate forums, ballot measure presentations
- Collaborate with like-minded organizations, such as GRI on Land Use Planning
- Health Care—focus on changes to Medi-Cal and how it will affect our community
- Youth Council—help high schoolers take part in voter registration and other civic projects
- Monitor revision of the mandate for the management of Demonstration State Forests (AB 2494)