



League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County  
Board Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2025

Call to order: Barbara Lewis called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Board members present:

Barbara Lewis, Marilyn Radisch, Jane Cohen, Beth Herrick, Pamela Peterson,  
Pam Newbury, Mindy Ryan, Denise Gurer

Others present: Ann Havlik, LWV Coach from San Luis Obispo and Judith Heher, Nominating  
Committee member

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held June 7, 2025, and the minutes of the May 14, 2025 Board Meeting  
were approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report: Pamela Peterson

A Treasurer's Report from our outgoing Treasurer, Geri McGillicuddy, consisting of the West Coast  
Community bank statement was received today. Pamela summarized that our current total funds  
contain approximately \$14,000, which includes our West Coast Community savings and checking  
accounts, our Bay Federal account and Pay Pal.

Due to complications related to the transfer of bank accounts and other financial tools between  
Treasurers, the mismatch of fiscal year dates (July 1-June 30) with our bylaws, which require the  
transition to new board members following the election at the annual meeting, Barbara Lewis  
suggested that we make an exception for the role of Treasurer in the future to avoid any delay in  
transition. Pam Newbury suggested we consider an overlap, allowing both outgoing and incoming  
treasurers to serve simultaneously until the transition of all necessary financial tools has been  
completed.

Another result of this transition is that the submission of reports to the Franchise Tax Board and the  
Secretary of State are now overdue.

The current LWVSCC Phone Number (831) 325-4140 as listed on our website has currently been  
suspended due to the debit card cancellation resulting from the transition of Treasurers. The LWVSCC  
phone number is monitored by Kathy Van Horn.

President's Report: Barbara Lewis

Barbara referred us to the President's Message in the most recent issue of our LWVSCC VOTER  
where she describes some interesting workshops and energizing presentations that she and Dorothy  
Fry attended at the June, 2025 League of Women Voters California convention.

She also recently noted a relevant change in the latest release (12<sup>th</sup> edition) of Roberts Rules of Order  
(Parliamentary Procedures) in which the rules for a quorum have been updated and no longer allow a  
quorum to remain in effect for votes if the number of board members present is less than a majority. In  
the case of significant amendments to motions where notice to members has been sent in advance,  
only a majority (50%+1) is required now instead of the previous 2/3 approval requirement. If notice has

not been sent to members, then a 2/3 vote is required for significant amendments, but not for simple wording changes. A majority vote is needed for amendments at board of directors meetings.

Barbara recommends reading the update of the LWV Federal Judiciary Position and suggested ordering the latest edition in the latest edition of Impact on Issues 2024-2026: A Guide to Public Policy Positions of the League of Women Voters, now available from Amazon.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

We have welcomed Sharon Willey from Scotts Valley as our newest member to join our League since our annual meeting. That brings our total active membership to 78. This number includes many members that have received expiration notices encouraging them to renew. Laura will be sending out further reminder notices to members to log onto portal.lwv.org to renew their dues online.

Program Report: Pam Newbury and Mindy Ryan

We agreed to have a Program Calendar Planning meeting for 2025-2026 on Wednesday July 23, 2025, at 10:30 am online over Jitsi. One goal is to select a program for October from our list of approved program topics. Members will be asked to RSVP to Barbara Lewis to receive the link to the Jitsi meeting.

There is a program set up for November 22, 2025 at the Aptos Library with featured speaker Dr. Faris Sabbah, SCC Superintendent of Schools, to be co-sponsored with the American Association of University Women, to include legislation affecting our schools. Our National Program Planning meeting is usually held at Sandy Warren's home in late January.

Webmaster Report: Denise Gurer

Denise is working on getting codes transferred and moving to Stripe from Pay Pal with help from Pamela Peterson and Jan Karwin.

VOTER Report: Marilyn Radisch

Marilyn is hoping to publish a VOTER Issue around August 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>. She can get a notice on any LWVSCC October program out to members on or shortly after September 27 as needed.

Marilyn and Barbara have received the latest edition of the League publication exploring the policy to end the electoral college. Every Vote Equal: A State-Based Plan for Electing the President by National Popular Vote by John R. Koza, Barry Fadem, et al. This publication is available on Amazon.

Publicity Report: Mindy Ryan

There was no report.

Unfinished Business:

There is no unfinished business.

New Business:

Marilyn Radish proposed a motion to approve the Off Board positions: Voter Service Coach: Dorothy Fry and League Telephone, Kathy Van Horn. Beth Herrick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

The next LWVSCC Board meeting will be on August 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 am.

Jane Cohen, LWVSCC Secretary