



League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County
Board Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2023

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

Board Members present: Barbara Lewis, Marilyn Radisch, Geri McGillicuddy, Laura Grossman, Stephanie Harlan, Mindy Ryan, Lydia Nogales Parker

League Coach Ann Havlik was absent with notification

The minutes of the September 13, 2023, LWVSCC Board meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Geri McGillicuddy

The Checking Account balance is \$13,456.57. Geri has been doing research on Money Market Accounts and CD accounts. She has been comparing Bay Federal, SC Community Credit Union, and US Bank.

The PO Box annual fee is currently at \$248.00.
Geri is working with Pam Peterson on the annual audit.

President's Report: Barbara Lewis

Barbara attended the LWVC Membership Transformation Town Hall on September 21, and heard the update on LWVUS decisions and progress on the new structure for membership from LWVC President Chris Carson, including provisions for a \$20 membership to increase diversity and include some low income and three tiers of membership above \$75 level for those who can and want to contribute more. Dues will be collected by LWVUS online, with some provision for payment by check. Half of the hour time for this town hall allotted for Q and A.

Barbara attended a productive combination Membership Tea and brainstorming session on September 18, which was held at the home of Joyce Anderson and organized by Laura Grossman and Joyce. Seven League members were present, and Sofia Guimaraes, a Scotts Valley senior, who had inquired about volunteer opportunities with our local League online, showed up and became a student member, as well as agreeing to help with voter registration at UCSC and SVHS. Sofia can also help with the LWV contacts to high school students on social media, such as Instagram and will communicate with Pam Newbury about doing this as part of her senior community service project. Participants shared pertinent information about their own backgrounds and updates on League programs and voter service plans.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

The LWVSCC membership total is 82. One Life member, one Student member, 6 Additional Household members, and 74 Primary members.

The National League will take over the membership roster for larger Leagues in 2024; smaller Leagues will be later. This is the last year of \$65.00 membership dues.

Program Report: Stephanie Harlan

We are all set for this Saturday's meeting at the Capitola Library. Stephanie contacted the Climate Coalition at UCSC, and has not heard back. Save Our Shores has been contacted and are very interested but cannot attend. The Executive Director will be on vacation and other staff members have an event that day.

Dan Haifley sent the information out to his social media contacts, and Stephanie asked Cynthia Mathews to do the same.

Stephanie spoke with Tricia Webber today and she is very happy to be our speaker at the Saturday, January 27th meeting. The location is to be determined, with the Felton library a likely venue.

VOTER Report: Marilyn Radisch

The deadline is October 23, for the November VOTER. It will remind everyone to save the date for the Tricia Webber presentation.

Publicity Report: Mindy Ryan

Mindy is putting PSAs (Public Service Announcements) in C-TV, YouTube, SC Sentinel, Good Times, The Pajaronian, and the Scotts Valley Times.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Announcements:

The next Board Meeting will be November 8, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00.

Lydia Nogales Parker, LWVSCC Secretary