



The League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 8, 2024

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

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

Others present: Ann Havlik, Pam Newbury

Minutes of the April 10, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Geri McGillicuddy

The April checking account ending balance is \$10,266.39. The savings account ending balance is \$2517.69. The BayFed account balance is \$5,042.64. There is \$174.00 less checks outstanding for a total funds available balance of \$17,652.72.

We have sent our final PMP payment of \$351.00. The room deposit for our Annual Meeting and Brunch at Seascape Golf Club Restaurant was \$150.00.

It was moved by Geri McGillicuddy and seconded by Stephanie Harlan that we approve the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 as submitted. It was unanimously approved.

President's Report: Barbara Lewis

The agenda will reflect time for Pam Newbury's Webmaster report. There was no president's report.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

We have 73 total memberships: 66 primary memberships, 5 additional memberships (household), one student membership and one honorary membership. This year our membership dues are \$65.00; June of 2025 the membership dues will be \$75.00.

Donations made to the education fund now will go to our local League, after the transition in 2025, we will receive a percentage of the donation amount.

Webmaster's Report: Pam Newbury (Pam submitted a written report, first person voice)

PorkBun: Cost is \$10.72 per year for domain name registration, plus \$24.00 for email forwarding annually.

Membership transformation:

No new information about the details of the change or website. The ChapterSpot website will be available to all Leagues at no cost, and unless it is unsuitable for us for some reason, I am strongly inclined to move our website hosting to ChapterSpot. It will be much easier to have one system for everything from membership roster to newsletter. So far, I have not seen any specific information or demo website for ChapterSpot.

MyLO is switching to a new developer partner next week, so there is some potential that operations on MyLO sites will improve. Even so, I think there will be advantages to switching to ChapterSpot.

Leadership recommends that we begin informing members about the change now. When we introduce the bylaws amendment at the annual meeting, that would be a good time to give members an overview. I would be

glad to give a report to members or prepare remarks for someone else to present. I also recommend an article in the VOTER with details as well. I can write the article.

I have reconciled the roster from Laura with the MyLO list. I had to add one member that was not on my list. I updated several emails, and inactivated members who were no longer on the roster. I added a PayPal button on the website for members to pay for the annual meeting cost. I included a field for members to list the names of those attending and for their contact information. I asked Geri to use the button to pay for her luncheon as a test, and everything is working as expected. Do we have a cutoff date when members must RSVP?

#### Program Report: Stephanie Harlan

The publicity for our Annual Meeting is being circulated by Mindy Ryan to local advertising and news media. The event is June 22, at Seascope Golf Club Restaurant. There will be a 9:30 a.m. check-in at the LWVSCC table. Geri McGillicuddy and Laura Grossman will greet attendees. We will gather at 10:00 for brunch. Our speaker will start at 10:30. She will be introduced by Stephanie Harlan and will speak for 45 minutes; Pam Newbury will video the speaker. Barbara Lewis will then call the annual meeting to order. Pam asked the question of a cutoff date for registering for the annual meeting. The reply was 10 days before the meeting, which would make it June 12th.

#### Publicity Report: Mindy Ryan

Planning the publicity for the annual meeting has been a coordinated effort by Mindy, Pam, and Stephanie. The speaker, Lisa Wooninck, is the Superintendent of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, will have her speech topic to us by Friday May 10th. The publicity will be released three weeks prior to the event, by May 31st. Stephanie mentioned that an earlier release will go in the local newsletters of AAUW and Save Our Shores.

#### VOTER Report: Marilyn Radisch

There was a recent issue of The VOTER sent to our members. The next issue in early June will have a reminder about the Annual Meeting Brunch and Speaker. MailChimp allows secondary emails to go to state Leagues, and we will want notifications to go to Ann Havlik and Jackie Jacobberger.

#### Unfinished Business:

There was a motion to adopt the ByLaws amendments as read by Barbara Lewis and sent in her recent email to the board members: Article III Section 3 and Article VII Section 2. The motion was made by Marilyn Radisch and seconded by Laura Grossman. These changes are a Board of Directors' decision to take effect when the transition takes place in 2025. It passed unanimously. These amendments will be forwarded to Jackie Jacobberger, who is representing LWVC, for the required review of the wording and any comment, which could result in delay and modification. Changes mandated by LWVUS are to be adopted by our Board of Directors and do not require a vote of our members, according to our current bylaws.

#### New Business:

We need to schedule a Program Planning Meeting in early July and contact Dorothy Fry about events to schedule in the fall.

#### Announcements:

The next meeting will be June 12, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Lydia Nogales Parker, LWVSCC Secretary