

The League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 14, 2024

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

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

Absent with Notification: Marilyn Radisch, Laura Grossman

Others Present:

Ann Havlik, Dorothy Fry

Minutes of the July 10, 2024 Board and Program Calendar Meeting were approved as submitted and will be posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report: Geri McGillicuddy

The checking account ending balance is \$7,204.66. The savings account ending balance is \$2,518.01. The PayPal account is at \$155.77. The Bay Federal account is at \$5,071.22. The total in cash donations were \$250.00. The total funds available are \$14,793.89.

President's Report: Barbara Lewis

Barbara has updated the board members' information with LWVC.

She received a request to send a letter to the editor of the SC Sentinel regarding the national popular vote compact in California. She did submit a letter that appeared in last Sunday's SC Sentinel Editorial section.

Tomorrow, Barbara will attend a Zoom gathering from 12-1:00 titled "Living Constitutionally". Barbara mentioned, and Ann Havlik confirmed, that the new LWV MyLo software will automatically post information regarding local events on the LWV state website.

Voter Service: Dorothy Fry

October 4th there will be a Pros and Cons program at the Capitola Library from 10:30-12:30. Dorothy received an email form David Addison regarding a Pros and Cons program at the Main Library with the same presenters as the October 4th program.

The League Voter Guides have been ordered in English (200) and Spanish (50). They will be shipped and available at the October Pros and Cons program gathering. There was discussion about Voter Guides and their availability at local libraries.

The following Candidate Forums are scheduled:

Tuesday, August 27th, a Zoom gathering with the Pajaro Valley School Board Candidates, sponsored by the AFT (American Federation of Teachers) from 5-7:00 p.m. Dinah Sapia is the moderator; Dee Takemoto is the timekeeper; Dorothy Fry will facilitate the questions.

Thursday, September 26th, an in person gathering from 6:30-8:30 for the 5th District Supervisor in Boulder Creek at the Recreation Department. Monica Martinez and Christopher Bradford will attend; Dinah Sapia will moderate; Dee Takemoto will be the timekeeper; Kit Hein will facilitate the questions.

There was discussion regarding other forums, possibly at Aptos Chamber or Capitola/ Soquel Chamber.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

There are 66 primary members, with 5 additional members, one student member and one honorary member, for a total of 73 members.

Program Report: Stephanie Harlan

Stephanie met with Karen Smith regarding program set up at the Capitola Library. On Friday, October 4, 2024 from 10:30-12:30, there will be a Pros and Cons program regarding the current ballot measures. Those who wish to help set up need to arrive at 10:00. There are ten measures to discuss; Stephanie mentioned there will not be time to discuss all measures and still have time for a question and answer session afterwards. Dorothy Fry, Sandy Warren, Kit Hein, and Marilyn McCusker will be the presenters.

There was some discussion about Candidate Forums at a later date.

Sample ballots will be distributed before October 4th. Ballots will be mailed on October 7th.

The VOTER: Marilyn Radisch

The deadline for submissions for the October VOTER will be September 20th.

Publicity Report: Mindy Ryan

Mindy mentioned submitting publicity to "The Beacon" the newsletter for AAUW. David Addison is in charge of all events scheduled at local libraries. He is at the Main Library. The contact person at the Aptos Library is Rowan Romer.

Dorothy Fry will send any publicity information to Mindy Ryan so Mindy may get that information to LWVSCC and AAUW. Mindy will contact Pam Newbury.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

**New Business:** 

There was no new business.

Announcements:

Our next LWVSCC Board meeting will be September 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Lydia Nogales Parker, LWVSCC Secretary