



The League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Call to order: President Barbara Lewis called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

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

Absent with Notification: Mindy Ryan

Others present: Ann Havlik, Dorothy Fry

Minutes of the September 11, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Geri McGillicuddy

The LWVSCC checking account ending balance is \$7,877.44. The savings account balance is \$2,518.22. There are no checks outstanding. PayPal account balance is \$407.22. The Bay Federal Credit Union balance is \$5,090.22. The total LWVSCC funds available is \$15,893.10. The Education Fund summary is \$334.00. We had 16 membership renewals in September for a total for that month of 38 memberships and 6 household memberships. Pam Peterson is working with Geri on the LWVSCC budget audit.

President's Report: Barbara Lewis

Barbara sent out information to the Board of Directors about the changes in the legislative interview questions she recently received. She will forward the Legislative Interview Kits in the near future. Barbara sent information to the Board about the elections webinar she recently attended, of particular interest was the one on the Electoral College.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

LWVSCC has 67 primary memberships; there are 6 additional/household memberships and one honorary lifetime membership. There are 74 members. Laura will send another renewal letter as a reminder to those members who have not renewed. Laura mentioned there were more than 135 people who signed-in at the October 4th Pros and Cons meeting at the Capitola Library.

Program Report: Stephanie Harlan

Stephanie thanked all those who helped at the Capitola Library event Friday, October 4th.

She mentioned the LWV State Planning meeting to be held on January 28th and the Local Planning meeting to be held March 4th. Both events will be listed in the VOTER to encourage member attendance.

Stephanie thanked Ann Havlik for her letter to the SLO newspapers.

Voter Service Report: Dorothy Fry

Dorothy Fry reported on the Candidate Forums and Pros and Cons events held prior to today on our program calendar.

This evening there will be an event sponsored by the Valley Women's Club featuring candidates for the San Lorenzo Valley Board of Directors and pro and con arguments on Measure U. Dinah Sapia is the moderator; Dee Takemoto is the timekeeper. The event will take place at the Highlands Park Senior and Community Center.

October 16th there will be a Pros and Cons event at Garfield Park Village for residents only.

October 19th the SC Public Library in downtown Santa Cruz will be the venue for a public gathering to present the Pros and Cons of ballot measures. The Library is handling the publicity.

October 23rd there will be a Pros and Cons event at Dominican Oaks for the residents only.

Dorothy mentioned that voter registration is being organized by Helen Ruiz-Thomas through the County Registration/Elections Office, with Dorothy giving Helen the names and contact information for volunteers received by the League.

Dorothy mentioned the successful event held on 9/17, National Voter Registration Day.

Another registration event was on 9/24, UCSC Freshman Orientation.

On 9/28 there was a Queer Youth Summit at Watsonville High School. That event was attended by more than 200 young people.

There was a discussion about the opportunities for attracting new memberships from these events as well as the idea of highlighting new members in the VOTER.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Announcements:

Our next meeting is November 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Lydia Nogales Parker, LWVSCC Secretary