

The League of Women Voters of Santa Cruz County Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Call to order: President Barbara Lewis called the meeting to order at 10:07.

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

Others Present: Ann Havlik, Dorothy Fry

Minutes of the October 9, 2024 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's report: Geri McGillicuddy

The checking account ending balance on the October Treasurer's Report is \$9,118.01. The savings account balance is \$2,518.33. The Bay Fed Account is \$5,099.88. The total LWVSCC funds available are \$16,826.22. We had ten membership renewals. There was a publicity expense for the Pros and Cons event at the Capitola Library.

President's report:

There was no President's Report.

Membership Report: Laura Grossman

We have 75 total memberships, with one new member this month. There are 6 additional memberships and 68 primary memberships. There is one Lifetime membership. There was some discussion about some memberships payments sent to the state.

Program Report: Stephanie Harlan

The California State LWV Planning Kit will be available after December 2nd; we will discuss that at the December board meeting. There is a December 9 webnar at 6:30 p.m. relating to national topics and local topics. Stephanie suggested we send an email to our members asking them what local issues they would like to have addressed. Marilyn mentioned that she could add that suggestion to the next issue of the VOTER.

VOTER Report: Marilyn Radisch

Marilyn mentioned that there would be a recap of the Pros and Cons events written by Dorothy Fry in the next VOTER, and Marilyn will add her experiences as a poll worker. There

will be an article about the seawall construction on West Cliff Drive. It was mentioned that an article about the newest sanctuary designation, the Chumash Sanctuary near Santa Barbara, would be of interest to our members.

Publicity Report: Mindy Ryan

Mindy mentioned that the AAUW and the LWVSCC sent emails out to their membership to promote the Pros and Cons event at the Capitola Library. There was a larger than usual presence in the local print media. SC Coastlines promoted the event, as did the Friends of the Library. Barbara mentioned that there were notices at mobile home parks as well.

Voter Service: Dorothy Fry

Dorothy mentioned she had sent the Voter Service survey to LWVC.

There were five Pros and Cons events; the one at Capitola Library was the most successful with attendance between 135 and 150 attendees. There were four speakers: Kit Hein, Sandy Warren, Marilyn McCusker, and Dorothy Fry.

There were three candidate forums: the Pajaro School Board, the Fifth District in Boulder Creek, and the SLV Water Board. Dinah Sapia was the moderator, Dee Takemoto the time keeper, and Kit Hein, Dorothy Fry, and Laura Grossman gathered questions from the audience.

There was a Voter Registration event at the Queer Youth Summit at Watsonville High School. Dee Takemoto and Dorothy Fry set up a table at the event and several students were

interested. There was a voter Registration table at UCSC Freshman Orientation.

This information will be sent to the VOTER by 11/20 for publication.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Announcements:

The next board meeting will be December 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Lydia Nogales Parker LWVSCC Secretary