League of Women Voters of North Carolina Advocacy Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Call to Order - A board meeting of LWVNC Advocacy was held via Zoom on Tuesday, January 14, 2025. The meeting convened at 4:38 p.m. President Jennifer Rubin presiding and Sandra Mowell, secretary

Present: Jennifer Rubin, Marian Lewin, Mary Thompson, Sandra Mowell, Regan Aduddell, Sara Baysinger, Tiffany Canaday, Suzanne Fisher and Rebecca Klase.

Guest: Andrea Cash.

- **1. Additions to/Approval of Agenda.** Fisher requested a few minutes for Election of the President comments.
- 2. Minutes for LWVNC Advocacy, 12/13/2024 board meeting. Minutes approved as submitted by consent.
- 3. Treasurer's Report. None received.

Unfinished Business

- **4. Advocacy Paid Position**. Rubin led a discussion of what this position should be exactly. Current thinking is to find someone who can track legislation and advise membership on lobbying/advocating activities and opportunities. Canaday and Rubin will work to further refine the job description. It was suggested that if the Advocacy position is not intended to be a lobbyist per se we might consider trying to find someone with the skills to do both the advocacy and Vote411 positions rather than needing two different people for both positions. Lewin is continuing to work with the Vote411 team to develop that job description. When the two descriptions are complete they can be evaluated for the likelihood of finding a person with both skill sets.
- **5. LWVUS study on federal judiciary.** Klase will touch base with presidents to make sure they are planning a study discussion if their individual Leagues are choosing to do so. Rubin will add the topic to the February presidents' call agenda. Klase will work on a date for a statewide Zoom meeting for members interested in participating in the study if their individual Leagues do not have a study discussion or if they are unable to attend their own League discussion.

New Business

- **6. Election of the President.** Fisher is continuing with team members to contact legislators on the topic of getting North Carolina to sign. She noted an advocacy advisor position as discussed above would be helpful in determining next steps for their efforts.
- 7. Motion to Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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All documents received will be filed within the LWVNC_shared drive.

	February 21 , 2025
Sandra Mowell, Secretary	Approval Date