

# League of Women Voters of North Carolina Advocacy Board Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, June 13, 2024**

**Call to Order** - A board meeting of LWVNC Advocacy was held via Zoom on Thursday June 13, 2024. The meeting convened at 12:07 p.m. President Jennifer Rubin presiding and Sandra Mowell, secretary

Present: Jennifer Rubin, Marian Lewin, Sandra Mowell, Regan Aduddell, Sara Baysinger, and Rebecca Klase. Mary Thompson joined the meeting at 12:55. Suzanne Fisher joined the meeting at 12:58.

Absent: Tiffany Canaday

**1. Minutes for LWVNC Advocacy, 02/21/2024 board meeting. Minutes approved as submitted by consent.**

**2. Treasurer's Report.** Questions on the report were dealt with during the Inc. meeting.

## **Unfinished Business**

**3. Lawsuit update** Democracy NC, et al. v. Hirsch, et al. (SB 747)

Rubin reported the lawsuit is delayed per the litigants request. It will probably be summer 2025 before it progresses further. Klase raised the question of more training that may be needed for BOE observers focusing on data needed for the lawsuit. Lewin stated all areas of BOE observation are important and possibly we could do a future Zoom training to keep all observers on track.

**4. Publication update.** Mowell will work to update the publication with the tax update, if approved, and is working with Cash to get it published and out to Leagues in July.

## **New Business**

**5. LAT reports.** Rubin reported an email from SC League member Ted Volksy who has an interest in heading an environmental LAT in NC. She will follow up with Leona Witchard, League member of ODC who serves on a national environmental committee with Volksy. Klase will look for any NC League members who may be interested in forming an active environmental LAT and possibly schedule an exploratory conversation in August or September. Rubin will reply to Volksy that NC will first look for interested League members before making any decisions on forming an LAT.

The Tax review team submitted a revised tax policy statement for the board to consider at the conclusion of their review and study process. There was discussion concerning the process and Mowell assured the board that there is precedence for the board to

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accept the statement ahead of state convention. Klase moved to accept the policy statement by the tax committee. Motion passed.

**6. Schedule of Advocacy board meetings for 2024-2025.** Mowell would like to get the four advocacy meetings for this fiscal year on the calendar and noted the bylaws require two of the meetings need to be in person. Rubin asked to defer the scheduling of these meetings to the Inc. meeting.

**7. Motion to Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned by consent at 1:03 pm

All documents received will be filed within the LWVNC\_shared drive.

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August 17, 2024

Sandra Mowell, Secretary

Approval Date