

League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Columbus
Board Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2022
6:30 PM

Present: Cheryl Roller, Jackie Nielson, Ellen Rapkin, Sally Morgan, Mary Austin-Palmer, Raya Cupler, Beth Strohl, Bridget McDaniel, Elizabeth Grieser, Lilliana Cavanaugh, Rolnecia Carolina Albert, Carla Hicks, Kitty Burcsu, Jill Lukshin-Hoff

Absent: Mary Helen Hart, Riham Ben Amer, Lindsay Kauffman, Barb Hykes, Andrea Nadolny

Approval of February Minutes:

Motion to approve, seconded, passed.

Treasurer's report:

- Insurance premiums paid in February
- DIA sponsorship money is coming in

Development Committee:

- .Kitty gave an update on Democracy In Action. The keynote speaker has been identified – OSU Professor Jasmine Roberts -Crews. Invitations will be sent out at the end of the month. Invitations will also be electronic and can be easily forwarded to others. Parking at OSU included in the ticket price – OSU Student Union Garage.

Voter Service

- Voter Outreach Week on March 21 at a variety of locations throughout Franklin County
- Voter Service is challenging this spring due to lack of approved state and congressional legislative maps. There is a high probability of the May 3 Primary date being pushed back, but for now the May 3 date is accurate.
- The League will be disseminating general information about voting in 2022 and pushing voter registration. Once a clear primary date and maps are established we will continue outreach to various communities about the Primary election details.
- Lilliana spoke about Latino news resources in central Ohio as well as a willingness to send out poll worker recruitment information in Spanish.
- Elizabeth reported that LWVMC is involved in election protection efforts for 2022.

Education and Advocacy

- Sally and Bridget reported on their experience with the municipal id program in February. Columbus organizations are mounting an advocacy campaign to push for municipal ids. This is a complicated and political issue and will take a lot for the id program to start here in Ohio.
- Additional programing includes a forum on the 2020 Census and potential volunteering at Mid Ohio Foodbank
- Elizabeth reported that VoterGirl has been rescheduled to Nov. 5 due to low girl scout registration.

Membership Committee

- Elizabeth reported 7 new members in February.
- Rolnecia is organizing Civic Cocktails at The Goat in New Albany this Wednesday from 5:30 – 7:00pm

Nominating Committee

- Elizabeth reported that the Nominating committee is still looking for a Voter Service Chair. A full committee report will be prepared for the April Board Meeting.

Operations Manger Report

- LWVUS Convention will be June 23-26. LWVMC will pay for the virtual delegate registration fee of \$300. There are 5 delegate positions still open.
- Discussion about June 6 LWVMC Annual Meeting. Board Consensus that the event should be in person. Elizabeth will look into large meeting room for the event.

President's Report

- Cheryl spoke about opportunities for board development.
- Criminal Justice Sentencing position to go before the LWV Ohio Board next weekend.

New Business

None

Old Business

- Jill reported that none of the LWVMC endowment fund at the Columbus Foundation is invested in Russian funds.

Motion to adjourn. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting will be on April 4, 2022 at 6:30 PM.