

LWVTO Planning Meeting-July 29, 2015
(Revised with input from Marie Curtis and Sue Sferas)
(Remaining questions printed in red)

Attending: Sue Sferas (Chair), Fran Minor (host), Robert Grove, Dallas Grove, Bill Madden, Sally Madden, Anne Freedman, Pamela Caputo, Marie Curtis, Wilma Pfeffer

Treasurer Report and Membership Update: Robert Grove

We are beginning our new fiscal year. We have 27 members (17 are paid, awaiting dues from the rest). The Treasurer's Report was distributed to all present and is posted on the LWVTO website.

We are awaiting money due to us from the Call-a-thon.

June 14, 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes: Sue Sferas

Motion to approve, seconded, approved.

Candidate Forum Report & LWVUS Action Items: Dallas Grove

Thank you letters were sent to all participants in the Candidate's Forum. Sally and Bill Madden read the letter to the Town Council and it will be submitted to the Coaster for publication.

LWVUS Action Items: Restore the Voting Rights Act & People Before Polluters

LWVNJ Action Issues: Pamela Caputo

NJ Legislature passes the Democracy Act, but Gov. Christie is expected to veto it. The Legislature is expected to reconvene 8/19/15 but it is unlikely to be able to override. Members are encouraged to contact their Assembly Representative to express their opinion on the Democracy Act override vote.

Women's Equality Day: August 26, 2015. All members encouraged to participate.

Census Issue: Prisoners are counted for NJ Census at the address of the prison where they are incarcerated, not at their home addresses. This distorts the census for state funding purposes. LWVNJ has taken a position and has sent a letter to the census bureau. **(What is the LWVNJ position?)**

An item will be submitted to The Coaster that we are proud to have Pamela Caputo, LWVNJ Chair of the Government Committee as a member of LWVTO.

Calendar Planning: Sue Sferas

Aug. 18, 2015: Candidate Forum Planning Meeting for State Assembly and OT Board of Education Forums (Home of Dallas and Robert Grove)

Marie Curtis will call to get filing deadline dates for OT Bd of Ed and coordinate with the Red Bank League for the State Assembly Forum planning meeting. Marie will educate us on the new voter registration forms.

**Sept. 13 or 27, 2015: Get-together/Fundraiser at Molly Maguire's Black Point Inn
(need rough number of attendees to alert Molly Maguire's)**

Sept. 26, 2015: Marie Curtis: Voter Registration Drives at Fall Fest and OTHS Back to School Night. Volunteers needed for both. Sept. 26-27 is State Voter Registration Weekend.

Sept. 30, 2015: Candidate Forum Detail Discussion and Calendar Planning Meeting #2 (Home of Marie Curtis)

Oct. 10, 2015: LWVNJ Fall Forum and Workshops

Nov. 11, 2015: Discussion Meeting on the US Constitutional Amendment Process and the League Position on a Constitutional Amendment on Money in Politics? Dallas Grove has emailed information to prepare for the Meeting) (Home of Sally & Bill Madden)

Dec. 1, 2015: Constitutional Amendment Consensus Position is due.

Dec. 27, 2015: Possible date for LWVTO Holiday Party/Meeting (need to check with Ferrantes and Dellingers for availability).

Reports and Discussions:

Marie Curtis: Money in Politics Information Slide Show

Sue Sferas and Pamela Caputo: Young People's Network

Sally and Bill Madden: Observer Corps

Sue Sferas: Will investigate Possible Theater Fundraiser

LWVTO Website-Facts and Issues: will feature Linda Keenan (Food Bank) & Margaret Rizzo (Lunch Break). Programs will be available to view on the LWVTO Website.