LWVSMC 5-7-19 Board Meeting Minutes

<u>Attending:</u> Peggy Dellinger (Chair), Marie Curtis, Mary Girard, Dallas and Robert Grove, Lois Kiely, Evelyn Murphy, Wilma Pfeffer (Secretary), Annette Scott, Susan Sferas

Minutes: Wilma Pfeffer

The minutes from the 4-10-19 meeting were corrected and accepted.

Convention: Peggy D, Dallas G, Evelyn M, Susan S

State Administered Local Leagues (SALLs) approved to help relieve the administrative burden for local Leagues.

State Program: Voted to concur with the Illinois position on driver certificates for undocumented drivers. The LWV of Illinois has thoroughly researched this proposal. The LWVNJwill adopt their rationale and lobby for passage in N.J. Applicants willneed to pass a written and road test and get accident insurance.

Susan Sferas was elected a Vice President of LWVNJ! Congrats!

VAN: The LWVUS is piloting an automatic vote reminder calls system in NJ. Looking for LWV volunteers to call. Webinars: May 20-12:00 Noon; May 24: 4:00 PM; May 28 7:00 PM

Budget: Robert Grove

We have received \$175 from a Broadway trip organized by Kay Jannarone.

We have one new member which brings our membership total to 59 [clarified after the meeting].

Robert needs to be reimbursed for out of pocket expenses for the Convention attendees and other items (as we have run out of LWV checks). New checks will be ordered when name change (LWVSMC) is finalized.

In addition to LWVNJ (done) and LWVUS approving our name change we must establish a new EIN (Employer Identification Number) and file with NJ for incorporation. Need state to issue a Certificate of Formation/Authorization in order to open a bank account. Federal fee is \$400. We need to establish if there are any state filing fees.

We will create a sub-account under the LWVNJ Education Fund (501©(c)3, tax deductible fund, with a \$25. donation when the name change is finalized.

The Board authorized Robert Grove to file all needed paperwork and pay all fees to establish EIN, incorporation and Education Fund fees.

We will keep the LWVTO name for the 2019 dues payment.

The Invitation to the Annual Meeting/Party June 1st should include a reminder to renew membership.

Annual Meeting: Lois K, Annette S, Peggy D

We will all chip in money for Lois to purchase snacks. There will be a mix and mingle period from 1:45-2-15 with music and slide show. Vin Gopal will be our speaker, and Annette Scott will share information on the New Jersey Felon Re-Entry Program. Brian McGillivray, Director of NJ Reentry, Neptune City, will present with Annette. Peggy will revise and email the Agenda for the Annual Meeting.

Voter Service: Evelyn Murphy

LWVSMC held a Forum for the candidates for the Town Council. It was very well attended (approximately 150 people). Excellent questions were submitted screened and presented by our Moderator, Anne Torre. The candidates responded well to all the questions. We had four excellent student volunteers who energetically collected questions. We have been requested to moderate another forum for candidates for Mayor of Manasquan. There was a lively discussion at the meeting which continued via emails on appropriate fees for Forums.

Fighting for the Vote: Peggy Dellinger

FFtV will be presented at Neptune High School on 5/8/19. Peggy delivered the Electoral College talk on 5/7/19 at Middletown High School, North to more than 100 students.

NJ Re-Entry Program: Annette Scott

Annette is working to expand the program to other counties including adults and juveniles. She will continue to update us as the program grows.

ILO: Peggy Dellinger, Susan Sferas

It is suggested that the ILO remodify its structure from traditional board to leadership team—retaining its value, but eliminating as much bureaucracy as possible. Peggy and Susan will propose this at the next ILO Board Meeting.

To Do:

Peggy Dellinger: Send Thank You to Kay Jannarone for theater trip
Resend the invitation to the Annual Meeting including reminder to renew membership.

Ask Ted Dellinger to add a column to the membership list for the date the member joined.

Robert Grove: Confirm the details of forms and fees needed to establish our non-profit status. Complete all forms and pay all necessary fees.

Send Wilma the names and contact information for all new members.

Wilma Pfeffer: Call all new members to welcome them, invite them to the Annual Meeting and begin mentoring them.

Lois Kiely: Plan food for the Annual Meeting. Let Peggy know if a deposit is needed for the venue.

Dallas Grove: Ask Ken Lutz to bring his Mayor's Award to Annual Meeting

Calendar:

May 14, 2019: Ocean Town Council Election (candidate list attached)

May 15, 2019: Teen Conference Voter Registration-The Manor, Edison NJ 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM.

June 1, 2019: Membership Celebration and Annual Meeting.

June 10, 2019: ILO Annual Meeting (nominating committee volunteers needed)

June 12, 2019: Board Meeting-Dean's 2:00-4:00 PM.