

Minutes LWVSMC meeting 7/10/19

In attendance: Dallas and Robert Grove, Sue Sferas, Sol and Diane Hara, Marie Curtis, Evelyn Murphy, Lois Keily, Arlene Lutz and Peggy Dellinger.

Minutes were approved. (Moved by Sol, 2nd by Sue)

Treasurer Robert Grove reported 63 members currently with dues letters going out next day. He reported that LWVUS is OK with our name change. Waiting for action from state for change to bank account. Year-end treasurer's report revealed that we only needed \$37 from reserves last year to cover expenses. He noted a need for fund-raising. Dallas will check with Earth Treasures about jewelry sale and Lois will check with Marilyn Schlossbach on fund raiser with her. Robert then moved and Sol seconded a motion that the scholarship fund be administered by the Membership Committee. (Scholarship fund is to cover/supplement member dues in cases of need as recommended by the Membership Committee.)

Evelyn then distributed a calendar and a proposal for calendaring, asking us how much detail was desired. It was decided to put in Hot Topics for Nov., Jan., and March on ballot security, polling and the census. We will continue discussion to fill out a 12-month calendar (fiscal year) at our August meeting.

Peggy will re-send census webinar information to all members. No state or national studies that we know of. Program planning meeting for national will be in January 26th at the Turner Gallery at 3 p.m.

Susan then led discussion of non-partisan policy. Some confusion on whether board members could openly support non-partisan Bd. of Ed. fire marshal candidates. Discussion on registering voters at partisan events. Susan will draft language to clarify for consideration at the August Board meeting.

Diane distributed one-page New Member information sheet. She reported on one new member contact. Evelyn suggested dropping the sentence on "decisions" and Peggy asked that the dual role of LWV be reflected, adding advocacy. Diane to send the draft to Peggy who will format a draft for consideration at the August Board Meeting,

Peggy reported that the three members invited to come on Board declined, but were happy to be asked.

Voter Service reported two Independence Day registration drives and attendance at the Ocean Grove 150th anniversary parade and celebration. New tent was used for first time. Voter Service team will meet at Dean's next week.

Peggy reported that Annette and Pat demonstrated a voting machine to Neptune middle school students at "Civics Day." Arlene raised issue concerning legal requirement that voter registration forms be given to high school students upon graduation. Fighting for the Vote program will be presented at Long Branch high school in the fall and, possibly, lower grades as well. Nancy Clarke will work in Vote 411.

Facts & Issues - still setting up award presentation show with CHF. Diane reported on idea that she is working on a show for two women, Muslim and a Jewish, to discuss similarities with Marie.

Evelyn reported on meeting with Senator Gopal, reporting that he was surprised that the League took positions and advocated on issues other than elections.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15.

Marie Curtis