

LWVTO 9-26-18 Board Meeting Minutes

Attending: Peggy Dellinger (Chair), Marie Curtis, Mary Gerard (welcome!), Dallas and Robert Grove, Sally and Bill Madden, Evelyn Murphy, Annette Scott, Susan Sferas, Wilma Pfeffer (Secretary)

Budget: Robert Grove

Our financial position is excellent. We now have 54 members, 3 unpaid.

Note: Balance as of 9-26-18 \$4213.24; Available Funds: 3813.34

Minutes: Wilma Pfeffer

The minutes from the 8-23-18 meeting were submitted and accepted.

Facts and Issues: Marie Curtis

Peggy Dellinger and Marie Curtis did a show on changes in the Vote-by-Mail regulations and how to complete a voter registration form. Multiple dates have been offered to Tom Rue for presentations on Plastic Control and Offshore Windmills. We are waiting for a reply.

Board Changes: Peggy Dellinger

- Evelyn Murphy (Voter Service) has been moved from an appointed to a vacant elected 2-year directorship.
- We welcome our new Board Member: Mary Gerard (appointed director, PR and Communications).

Voter Service: Evelyn Murphy

- We have formed a Voter Service Team, which has met twice. We've created mailing lists in the lwvtonj@gmail.com account for "2018 Voter Registration" and "2018 Candidate Forum" that include the attendees at the two summer workshops, members who have expressed interest in those areas, and the LWVTO board. We created a tally form to track and report to state activity at our Voter Registration Drives.
- McDonald's (Rtes. 33 and 35, Neptune) will be holding a "Trunk and Treat" event 10/27/18.
- Voter Service will do a presentation at Coral Harbor including information on Change of Address requirements (intake staff will be alerted to alert new residents).
- Mary Gerard will do PR on educational events.
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Candidate Forums: See Calendar for Dates and Sites

We will increase the fee for moderating candidate forums for the next election cycle. An email will be sent to recruit volunteers for candidate forums to all attendees at the Candidate Forum Training and Board members. Susan will ask the ILO to cover the \$440 (security, video) expenses for the CD4 Forum 10/18. Brookdale Radio will be asked to broadcast the forum live.

Plastic Bans: Dallas Grove

There is a bill in the NJ Legislature to ban plastic bags and straws. There is an idea to have businesses to provide free re-usable bags with their logo. Dallas has contacted Eric Houghtaling re above.

Asbury Park Ballot Questions: Susan Sferas, Marie Curtis

Kerry Butch has asked us to provide an explanation of the above as they are very confusing. Susan will ask Ed Gracely to assist; Marie will review questions. Advice from both will be reviewed and a decision will be made as whether to proceed.

Vote411, Name Change, Fund Raiser: Peggy Dellinger

- Peggy shared with us her 5th grade educational presentation. Buttons will be given to the students (safe attachments).
- New Jersey Monthly is publishing a PSA for VOTE411 in its November issue (available late October) if there is room.
- Peggy will discuss a name change for LWVTO to be more welcoming to a broader geographic area at the next ILO meeting.
- There will be a fundraiser at the Langosta Lounge in Asbury Park. Money will be donated to Monmouth County Leagues. LWVTO will participate.

Vote 411 Project: Peggy Dellinger

- We have covered Monmouth County races with a total of 188 candidates in VOTE411 to date. We have emails for and sent invitations to 155. So far, just 19 have responded.
- Peggy will send a letter to county party leadership to encourage participation.

There will be no October meeting. Our next meeting will be **Nov. 14th 2:00-4:00 PM at Dean's Ocean Twp.**

To Do:

Peggy Dellinger:

- Email to members to ensure specialized email lists are inclusive of all who want to register voters, participate as volunteers in candidate forums, etc.
- Put Voter Registration tally sheet on LWVTO.org;
- Text Mary Ann DeVanti re Brookdale/Lincroft Voter Registration;
- Move Voter Reg. Kit to cart;
- Look for LWV buttons;
- Check with \schools re safe buttons;
- Research copyrighting the “Fighting for the Vote” 5th grade program

Evelyn Murphy:

- Email Voter Reg. tally form to Peggy to go on web;
- Send invite for October Fest to Marie's contact list

Mary Gerard:

- Press release on MURC meeting, (Evelyn or Annette to send info/photo)
- Press release on upcoming forums

Robert Grove:

- Research how much Wall Twp paid for forum services last year.

Susan Sferas:

- Get phone number for Alan Yusufov (CD4);
- Work with Mary G on press release.

Marie Curtis and Susan Sferas

- Produce explanation of Asbury Park ballot questions

Calender:

9/29/18: Walmart (Voter Registration)
10/1,2: Ocean County College (Voter Registration)
10/3,4: Georgian Court (Voter Registration)
10/7/18: OT Historical Museum Flea Market (Voter Registration)
10/11/18: Wall Township HS (Voter Registration)
10/11/18: Brookdale Neptune Campus (Voter Registration)
10/13/18: Ocean Twp.October Fest Palaia Park (Voter Registration)
10/15/18: Ocean Twp Bd of Educ Candidate Forum(OT Admin Bldg)
10/18/18: Congress District 4 Candidate Forum-Brookdale
10/24/18: Freeholder Forum
10/25/18: Neptune Candidate Forum MLK Presbyterian Church
10/29/18: Wall Twp BoE Candidate Forum (Intermediate School)
10/13 Long Branch Day (Voter Registration)