

## ILO ZOOM meeting minutes of May 6, 2020

Members taking part in meeting were: Peggy Dellinger, Sharon Steinhorn, Barbara Chaudhery Susan Sferas, Sherri West, Carol Beyer Evelyn Murphy and Robert Grove.

The meeting was called to order by Peggy Dellinger at 1pm.  
Susan Sferas gave the Treasurer's Report.

Peggy Dellinger noted that when reviewing the minutes from the March meeting we should go into the "ILO Room."

Annual Convention- There was discussion as to whether we hold a virtual business meeting on June 8 and Wine & Cheese event in August or September or wait until summer for both.

Evelyn Murphy made a motion that we hold a virtual business meeting on Zoom on June 8 and the wine & cheese event in the summer. The motion was seconded by Sharon Steinhorn. The motion carried. The Local League Presidents will obtain necessary information to mail to their respective members before the Convention with instructions to attend the virtual convention on June 8. The social event will be decided at a later date due to the Covid 19 virus.

It was also decided that since Sharon Steinhorn has paid for ZOOM use, she will cover the cost of the ZOOM meeting, if necessary.

Robert Grove then introduced the budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Barbara Chaudhery had recommended that we increase monies for Voters' Service and Program.

Robert Grove made a motion to accept the amended budget, It was seconded by Susan Sferas. The motion carried.

Robert Grove will make the adjustments to the budget and it will be included in the materials to be sent to the members.

A suggestion was made by Evelyn Murphy to move forward on Fund Raising and we should find members to be on a development committee. It was decided this should be addressed as 'Direction to the Board' at the Convention.

Peggy Dellinger, Susan Sferas and Evelyn Murphy reviewed the ILO by-laws to reflect the changes in the make-up of the Board. The changes were discussed and Sharon Steinhorn suggested that the word Board should be eliminated. Sharon Steinhorn made a motion to accept the changes to the by-laws and Sherri West seconded. The motion carried. The changes will be included with the materials to the members in the convention packet.

The nominated slate includes the 3 Local League Presidents, Treasurer (Susan Sferas has accepted the nomination), 3 Voters' Service Directors and 1 more member from each Local League. We can also accept nominations from the floor.

Barbara Chaudhery made a motion to accept the slate as presented and Carol Beyer seconded. The motion carried.

Hot Topic-“Polling” The Southern Monmouth League is working on doing this Hot Topic virtually. They have applied for a grant from the League of Concerned Scientists for programs that support voting. If they receive the grant, they will use it to purchase microphones for Hot Topics, Suffragists Speak and candidate and other forums. Also this will help increase ZOOM capabilities. If the Southern Monmouth League gets the grant, the mics will be available to the other Monmouth County Leagues.

The LWVNJ asked Local Leagues to check local town websites to see if they have the NEW Voter Registration forms on their websites. They would like us to get the information on a spreadsheet for action. Perhaps we can get new members to do this. Also, have them check if towns have registration forms in Spanish.

Fighting for the Vote-this program is being converting into a virtual lesson plan to be sent to teachers so they can use it in their teaching plans. We are also making the Student Advocate Kits available to our members.

The Unitarian Church in Lincroft has offered to help us register voters. We have contacted them and are putting a program together. We will see when our stay-at-home order will be over, so we can start public outreach. The LWVNJ will have the toolkit ready by May 15.

All members should throw out the old voter registration forms. New Voter Registration applications and Vote-by-Mail applications and ballots will be postage paid.

The Montclair League has posted a candidates' forum online. We should review this and try to do this ourselves. Neptune is having a primary with 2 candidates, perhaps we can use this as a test case. The Voters' Service Team should talk to the Montclair League and get info.

CD6 Forum- Western Monmouth was to work with Greater New Brunswick Area, but it is on hold at the moment.

Sharon Steinhorn and Anne Beebe are working on the Census. Sharon suggested that we speak to local elected officials and encourage them to post something on their websites.

We should also check on our local towns to see if any of them have ordinances on 2nd amendment Sanctuary Cities for guns.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Chaudhery