

ILO Monmouth County Virtual Board Meeting MINUTES NOVEMBER 4, 2020

Lead: LWVSMC/Peggy Dellinger: Attendance/Sherri West, Carole Bayer, Evelyn Murphy, Elizabeth Bond, Susan Sferas, Louise Usechak, Annette Scott, Barbara Chaudhery, Sharon Steinhorn

I. POST ELECTION CHECK-IN

- 2. Standing Business
 - a. **MINUTES** approved as amended (add Susan Sferas to attendance, adjust wording to reflect total of 17 drop boxes in Monmouth county)
 - b. **TREASURER'S REPORT**: Accepted (*attached*) Discussion on \$30.50 expense to register with the state as a non-profit. Educ. Fund has \$427.15.
 - c. Re: reimbursement from the state for Covid expenses: Susan will contact the LWVNJ to explain that ILO expenses include all 3 local leagues and submit expenses. (*attached*)
- 3. Accepted **2021 CALENDAR** from agenda: Meeting dates:
 - a. Wednesdays at 2pm Jan. 6, GRBA -March 3, WM -May 5, SMC July 7, GRBA Sept. 1, WM Nov. 3, SMC
- 4. HOT TOPIC DATES Feb. 7, April 11, Aug. 1
 - a. Topic suggestions: Term limits, Electoral College, Supreme Court reforms, Civic discussion, Sanctuary Cities, Second Amendment, Prison Reform, County Gov't
 i. Decision. Feb. 7, Sunday, 3:30 -5, COUNTY GOVERNMENT
- 5. **OTHER DATES**: ILO convention, June 2, 2021 as planned for 2020 at the Historical Society
 - 1. Monmouth County Candidates Forum: early as Oct. 6, 2021
- 6. WORKSHOPS: Dates: Tuesday evenings,

Jan. 19 – Observer Corps - Louise, Marie, Other?

- March 20 Moderator Training Susan, Evelyn, Sharon
- August 17 VOTE411

August 24 – Forum Management

7. Candidate FORUMS DE-BRIEF

Discussion on evaluating virtual/zoom forums: Use questions used in forums as part of a forum management workshop to help screeners in the future. We had 13 forums, used 34 League volunteers. We all learned a lot and expressed positive view of using zoom in future after pandemic dictates

8. VOTER SERVICE TEAM:

- a. Carole, Evelyn and Peggy reported on registration drives and high schools' use of the student Tool Kit. Excellent feedback from teachers. The "How To Vote in the 2020 Election" power point was use in 6 or 7 communities with great success. Elizabeth gave out information at Head Start and that is an excellent partner for the future. Annette registered over 175 people with her work with parolees, etc. She has been interviewed for radio and newsprint and her program is getting excellent publicity!
- b. We now have very good collaboration between the 3 local leagues' Voter Service Teams
- 9. **VOTE411:** Responses are 38%, up from 32% last year. We covered 60 races, sent 206 invitations and used 21 volunteers. We need to look into have NJ or US Leagues doing better publicity for 411.
- 10. **NATURAL RESOURCES**: Louise brought our attention to issues of water rates, JCP&L, Howell Township dump, sea level rise and the need to keep up with our Freeholder meeting agendas

11. OLD BUSINESS: Review of Hot Topics:

- a. Polling: 63 people on webinar; 94 uploads of recording
- b. Vote-by-Mail: Peggy will send thank from ILO to Robin and Christine
- c. There were 510 uploads of "How to Fill out Ballot"

12. New Business:

- a. Voting Machines; Sherri will research voting machines for January meeting. It is a priority for the ILO to urge the County to purchase new machines (or other equipment) which have a paper trail.
- b. Discussion of the role of ILO in the future.

13. Meeting adjourned at 4pm

Respectfully Submitted, Recorder of the Meeting, Sharon Steinhorn

ATTACHMENTS

Treasurer's report ILO Board Action Items November Candidate Forum Summary 2020 Voters Service Reimbursable Expenses