



Date: 17 July 2023

Attending: Sara Bresler, Kathy Cox, Sue Floyd, Bonnie Goble, Jan Koch, Judi Kur, Kathleen O'Connell, Sue Sargo, Sue Werner

Call to Order: Sue Sargo called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm

Minutes: May and June minutes were sent with the agenda prior to the meeting. Sue Werner made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Jan Koch seconded the motion. Subsequent to the June meeting, an email vote was taken by the Steering Committee resulting in the approval of the allocation of \$250 to the Student Voter's project at Penn State.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for July was distributed prior to the meeting. Sue Floyd reviewed the report and hearing no objections, Sara Bresler made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Sue Werner seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Sue F. also noted that memberships processed via Stripe vice PayPal as the default method of payment were being processed more easily. The only payments being made via PayPal are those of renewing members who have indicated dues payment as a recurring PayPal payment.

Sue F reported that Sharon Manno and her husband have agreed to perform the annual audit. Sue will be meeting with Sharon on Aug 2 to transfer appropriate documents.

Jan Koch offered a motion to approve a blanket authorization for this fiscal year for all payments made in accordance with the budget. Sara Bresler seconded the motion. It was approved by a unanimous vote.

Sue Werner offered a motion to authorize the following provisions be taken by Sue Floyd with F&B Bank:

1. Remove Candace Danneker and Jan Koch from the checking account.
2. Remove Jan Koch and add Sue Sargo to the CDs residing at F&B.
3. Add Sue Sargo to the credit card in the League's name.

Kathy Cox seconded the motion. A vote was held and the foregoing actions were approved and authorized by unanimous vote.

Committee Reports:



Membership: Rachel Avila was absent but submitted a report indicating that we currently have 52 members and 3 lifetime members. Delores Gibney joined as a new member and Jennifer Dececco renewed her membership.

Voter's Guide: Sara will contact primary election winners and offer them the opportunity to update their answers prior to the fall publication of the Voter's Guide. After August 1, the names of additional candidates will be available and will be contacted accordingly for their input to the guide.

Sue Sargo requested that 500 copies of the Gazette publications of the Voter's Guide be made available to the League for distribution.

The Voter's Guide, when available, will be published on the website and publicized accordingly on social media.

Sara recommended publishing the Voter's Guide two weeks before the election.

Candidates' Night: Sue Werner reported that Cindy Hahn had provided a list of dates which for which both the room was available and C-Net would be available for broadcast and streaming. Sue W. offered a motion that Candidates' Nights be held on the evenings of Tuesday, October 24 and Thursday, October 26. Sara seconded the motion. A unanimous vote confirmed this decision.

Discussion on the Empty Chair Rule and LWVCC Guidelines resulted in the affirmation that only contested races would be covered on Candidates' Nights.

Voter Education

High School: Sara had no new actions to report and noted that she will send an email to Sue Sargo regarding the number of voter registration forms they will require for the high schools.

LWV at PSU: The Pennsylvania Youth Voting Summit will be held on October 6th at Penn State- University Park. Via an email vote conducted among Steering Committee members after the June meeting, \$250 sponsorship was authorized to allow the League to be a sponsor. Kudos to Kathleen O'Connell for taking on the liaison with LWV at PSU! Kathleen discussed staffing at the HUB polling place and the institution of a training manual for students.

Voter Registration and Education: Kudos to Kathy Cox for accepting this position! Kathy noted that the booth sharing with AAUW at the Arts Fest worked well but there was some confusion regarding our role at the booth which will be alleviated next year. The next Voter Registration event will be at Lion Bash.



Legislative Update: Peg Dobrinska was absent. No report was provided.

Communications:

Website: Absent the ability to clone Laura Brown, another of her duties, website, was assumed by Judi Kur! Thanks to Judi! She is getting familiar with updates to the website.

Social Media: Jan Koch reported that she will be developing a planning calendar for social media postings.

Letters to the Editor-Op Ed: Sue Sargo plans a four-part series of Op-Eds for the Centre Daily Times. The four parts are: Judicial Races, Centre County Offices, Borough and Township Offices, and School Boards.

Old Business:

LWVPA Convention: Bonnie Goble reported on her attendance at the convention in June. There were 100 attendees. New officers were elected and some by-law changes were proposed.

Banners: Sharon Manno will order the replacement and additional banners for downtown State College display prior to Election Day.

New Business: In the interest of time, Sue Sargo deferred new business items until the next meeting on August 21.

Adjournment: Sue Sargo adjourned the meeting at 1:05 pm

Next meeting: Monday, August 21, 2023 at noon via Zoom