

Minutes LWVCC Steering Committee Meeting

15 December 2020

Attending - Sue Floyd, Jan Koch, Cindy Hahn, Sue Werner, Suzanne Weinstein, Anna Rosa, Laura Brown, Sue Sargo, Sara Bresler, Sue Smith, Marion Sheridan

Call to Order - Jan Koch called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm.

Minutes - Marion Sheridan presented the October minutes. Jan suggested a pronoun change in the campus outreach section of the minutes. Sue W. moved the minutes should be accepted as modified. Cindy seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Sue Floyd shared our current financial records. We currently have \$6,263.90 in our checking account with \$5,634.00 in savings bonds. Our 990 Tax Form was mailed on Dec. 10th. Cindy moved to accept the report. Sue W. seconded and the motion carried.

Committee Reports

Membership - Cindy Hahn told us our membership is at an all time high with 85 members. Cindy also invited members of the AAUW to join LWVCC but to date the response has not been overwhelming.

Voter's Guide - Sara Bresler

Vote 411 coverage of local elections - It is believed that we will be writing our own questions for the upcoming local elections.

Candidates Night - Sue Werner

Races: Due to the number of local races, we believe we will need 2 nights. We hope to hold the Candidates Night in April before the May primaries. Cindy will send Sue W. possible dates. Candidates Night will again be a Zoom and live streaming event with an optional practice session for participants.

Voter Education

High School –Sara and Marion- We have 2 new high school members. One from State College Area High School and another from Houtzdale. We have already spoken to the new State College member and Marion will reach out to the new member from

Houtzdale. During the March meeting of LWVCC we will discuss further plans for high school outreach.

Campus – Laura Brown shared very good news about systemized efforts to encourage student registration and voter participation.

Senior Outreach – Sue Sargo sent out digital versions of voter registration forms.

Website – Laura and the members of LWVCC decided to leave the Voter's Guide on our website through January 2021. Then it will be archived on our website with directions on how to access the guide. Laura would also like to post the upcoming races and dates for Candidates Night as soon as it is available. She would also like to know and post when terms of office expire.

Old Business

Status of Penn State LWV

No response from Sarabeth regarding her joining the Steering Committee - Laura volunteered to call her.

New Business

Primary Election efforts - How do we continue the momentum we achieved during the Presidential election?

- Banners/Door Hangers/Postcards? At this time we would like banners to go up in mid April, perhaps the 18th and be taken down the day after the election.
- Laura suggested we purchase 10 more banners promoting <u>centrecounty.com</u>
- Cindy liked the idea of postcards because so many different people participated. We decided to put our continued efforts on January's agenda.

Legislative Initiatives

LWVPA has determined the top five advocacy priorities for 2021. Advocacy Efforts:

- Changes to Act 77 PA election law
- Redistricting
- Constitutional Amendments re Judicial Districts
- Open Primaries
- National Popular Vote Compact

Program Planning - a survey will be sent to membership regarding quarterly speakers for our meetings.

Adjourn - Meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 – Topic: Candidates' Night

CALENDAR:

20 Jan - Inauguration

- 5 May Last Day to register to vote in the Primary
- 11 May Last Day to apply for a Mail-in/Absentee Ballot for Primary

18 May - Primary