

LWVHC Board Meeting Minutes November 14, 2024

Members: Ernest Mowell, Nancy Pellegrini, Liz Hill, Marcella Leshner, Mary Landry, Lynn McFarland		
Members Excused: Mary Kay Krokowski		
Observers:		
Minutes prepared by:	Start Time: 11:00 am at the Coop Adjourned: 12:30 pm	
Consent Agenda Previous Minutes: MKK Leadership Team: EM/LH/NP/MKK Treasurer: NP Education: ML Student Engagement: KT Home Observer Team: RP Immigration: MCL Nominating Committee: LH/SM/GL Voter Service: LM Membership: NJ/SB Communications: GL	<p><u>Motion to adopt the October Minutes</u>—Motion to approve by Mary Seconded by Nancy—Approved. Treasurer’s reports for September and October- Accepted with no discussion</p> <p>Presidents Report: President’s Call. Liz reported that National may come down with recommendations about the use of X (Twitter). Voting numbers were down in NC. The presidents discussed takeaways from the election. The election tool kit was appreciated by the chapters. The state will probably recommend that the chapters concentrate on advocacy. The election process did work. Ernest spoke with voters across the political spectrum who felt that Election Day went quite smoothly in Henderson County. Our Regional meeting is scheduled for March 22. State Convention is May 2-4.</p> <p>The State Board need help for state programming. Mary has volunteered for programming.</p> <p>Brenda has resigned from the Board to handle extensive storm damage needs</p>	

	<p>We need to appoint someone to replace Brenda.</p> <p>For future recruitment of leadership, the Board discussed dividing responsibilities into small segments such as asking someone to repost our posts to other social media sites. (Sheila Clendenning has done an excellent job with this.)</p> <p>Highlighting LWV advocacy issues separately in social media and in the Update may be another way of letting members know about ways they can contribute to the work of the League</p>	
	<p>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</p>	
	<p>November</p> <p>4 Election Heroes Day - Lynn took cake and thank you posters.</p> <p>5 Election Day-Suggestion to write a LTE that election day went well without fraud.</p> <p>December</p> <p>8 Holiday party at Carriage Park 1:30 set up. 2-4. Mary Kay coordinating. (See discussion under new business.)</p> <p>Smithsonian exhibit at Library - "Voices and Votes" -Library is asking for volunteers to serve as docents. Information is available at</p> <p>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4BADAF2DAAFEC34-53107975-voices?</p>	<p>Ernest/Liz to write op-ed.</p>

	<p>January 2025</p> <p><u>Program</u>: Annual State level program priorities meeting. Ernie to lead discussion–Veterans Center Conference Room, Advocacy, issues, priorities Jan. 16, time? What is discussed at this meeting will then be passed on to the State</p> <p>February</p> <p><u>25 Education/Immigration joint presentation</u>: Education & Immigrant Children, 11:30-1:00, Location TBD. Marcella to speak with Simone Wertenberger</p> <p>March</p> <p><u>Program</u>: H/OT Team (Rachel) - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council presentation</p> <p>Possible regional meeting - March 22, Hickory, NC</p> <p>April</p> <p><u>Program</u> - local effects /climate action (Nan/ Ted Volskay/Suzanne Hale/Katie)</p> <p>10 Board to approve 2025-26 budget</p> <p>May</p> <p><u>Program</u> – Immigration Team. Braver Angels methodology on Immigration. This is just an initial inquiry. Other programs could be scheduled instead for this time frame.</p> <p>2-4 LWWNC Convention - need planning volunteers</p>	<p>Ernest will check on room availability at the VFW. Need to work to on how to title the meeting. (Advocacy, Issues, and Priorities for the Henderson County League??)</p> <p>Marcella will meet with Education Team and Immigration Team to work on final details for the Feb. program.</p> <p>Mary Landry has volunteered for programming</p>
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	<p>11 Budget, slate, priorities to be sent to membership - 30 days before annual meeting</p> <p>June</p> <p>24 LWVHC Annual Meeting - sandwiches 5:30-7:30</p> <p>27 National Council</p>	
	<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	
	<p>Review of Election Day/Forum and Meet and Greet—all went well despite hurricane interruption.</p> <p>Nominating Committee spoke with members over the past month. Need for appointed Board members.</p> <p>Holiday Party Carriage Park 2-4. Board to bring appetizers. Set up at 1:30. Food Drive. Help to transport food to IAM. Budget for this party. Theme for the party will be Celebrating the League with stories from our members.</p> <p>Future Program possibilities: Ranked Choice voting as future programs. Another program option in April: Spring Birding for Mental Health utilizing Cathy Ford in Flat Rock Tour of Henderson Emergency Ops in the Spring. How does a bill become law in NC?</p> <p>Liz reported on Chapter Spot which is the new method for membership registration and renewals. Change in how membership is recorded. May need to update Bylaws for membership classifications unless this information is in the Standing Rules.</p>	<p>Liz will contact a potential nominee</p> <p>Marcella will ask Judy, Mary Kay, Renee, and Lee if they can give quick anecdote about Favorite League experiences. Lynn will ask Caren Kessler as well.</p> <p>Members asked to bring favorite holiday treats. Mary L will bring some additional snacks.</p>

	2024 LWVUS Member Engagement Survey needs to be filled out.	<p>Beverages will be provided.</p> <p>Marcella will check with Mary Kay again about what additional items we should bring.</p>
	<p>Holiday Party Dec. 8, 2-4. Carriage Park Next meeting January 16 in connection with special program meeting.</p>	