

**League of Women Voters of Greater Lafayette
Board Meeting - 5:00 PM, August 19, 2008
West Lafayette Library, Walnut Room**

Attendance

Betty Doversberger, John Corey, Jean Andres, Donna Giroux, Winnie Adler, Jane Frankenberger, Jo Brooks

Minutes

The minutes of the June 2008 meeting were accepted with the correction that a November newsletter is planned.

Finances

The annual Treasurer's report was presented by Jean Andres for Jennifer Andres. She provided an explanation of several items that differed from the budgeted amount.

The community calendars will not be ready for the Aug. 23 picnic meeting. We have not heard from CVS yet if they will sell them for us. Mary Lee Parker is going to have fewer calendars printed this year, which will increase our cost per calendar. It continues to be important to our financial health for members to sell calendars directly. This will be announced at the picnic meeting.

The Fall fund drive letter will go to our members and also approximately 200 former members and non-members who have shown interest in the League. Winnie provided attendance sheets from 3 of our largest meetings last year. Donna is preparing a spreadsheet of those who will receive a letter. Board members area asked to review the list for appropriateness. Donna will prepare an e-mail to our members to find someone willing to do the mail merge, print the letters, help reviewing the list and/or participate in a "mailing" party to stuff the envelopes and add personal notes. The party will be at Betty's house Tuesday September 30 from 6-8:30 with light snacks and wine provided. There was discussion of having the logo printed on envelopes (including return envelopes) address. By consensus, the logo will not be on the envelopes.

August Picnic

Jo Brooks will provide table covers, napkins and real metal tableware for the August 23 picnic meeting at Happy Hollow Park. Mida will bring bottled water. The program will include John Corey reporting on LWVUS Convention, and KD Benson and Stan Lambert on the Wabash River Enhancement Commission. Betty will invite members to pay their dues. Interest sign-up sheets will be circulated. Our upcoming events will be announced.

County Fair booth

Betty reported the success of the HAPA booth at the Tippecanoe County Fair. Although there were very few voters registered, our focused message of prevention seemed to be effective.

Program planning

LWVIN program planning is due by December 31. Our local meeting will be November 18 after the regular board meeting and with food available. Winnie reported that we only

have to address the state positions that are not currently being reviewed by committees. This could allow more time for discussion. LWVIN is expected to have 2 concurrences this year.

The National Popular Vote compact is being studied by a LWVUS study committee with a planned May 2009 consensus. We need a local chair for this program item. John will mention it in his report at the picnic and Winnie will place an item in the November newsletter.

Membership brochures

Ramona Lawson has offered to print the new member brochures as she does the recruitment brochures. Jane suggested heavy (24#) paper and comment that shiny paper looks very good. The brochure insert was circulated among the board for corrections. There was a discussion of the scholarship and how to get one. The scholarship amount is 50% of the usual dues. Decision on the wording was tabled.

Newsletter

September	deadline August 22
November	deadline October 30
January	deadline late December

Upcoming events

Betty will ask Pat Corey about progress on the Legislative Coffee.
Voter registration will occur after the naturalization ceremony August 29.
Jean will present to TCPL Youth Advisory Committee on September 4.
YWCA Network luncheon is September 8.
The Candidate forum with WALLA is September 15.
Making Democracy Work award with Louis Mahern presenting on the Kerner-Sheppard Report will be 7PM September 17 at the TCPL.

Online voters guide

Jean is hosting a session at her house to develop questions for the candidates. Jane is working on how this works on the web. We will request responses to be delivered via e-mail. Our goal is to publish in early October. Jane is also looking at how TV 18 and the Journal-Courier provide on line candidate information, but we will be independent of them.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30PM.

NOTE: SEPTEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD AT IVY TECH, IVY HALL ROOM 1345 – the conference room next to the auditorium. The date conflicts with the Chamber of Commerce dinner and John will be unable to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Giroux, Secretary