

League of Women Voters of Greater Lafayette
Board Meeting - Hour Time
5:00 p.m., June 19, 2008

Attendance

Betty Doversberger, Mida Grover, Jo Ann Mullen, Jean Andres, Donna Giroux, Winnie Adler, Jane Frankenberger, John Corey

Absent: Jo Brooks

Minutes

Minutes of the April Board meeting and Annual Membership meeting were accepted as distributed.

Community Calendars

Mary Lee Parker is still working with CVS to carry and sell our calendars. An agreement has been reached with the local head of CVS. We are now awaiting OK at the regional level. There was a discussion of other places that might be willing to sell them. We will also need to encourage members to sell more. It should be emphasized that this helps keep our dues lower. Some ideas were coffee shops and local businesses. The locations for sales could be listed on our web site.

Members Service

Jane presented a draft of the new member brochure. It was accepted with appreciation. It was decided that new members should also get an Officials Directory and member list. New member George Molnar has posed some questions about League process and financing. Several members will meet with him June 26 at 4PM at Jean's to address those questions.

Candidate Forums

The forum with WALLA is September 15 for candidates for state legislature. Jane will explore the possibility of a forum for candidates for 4th district representative by contacting the Bloomington-Monroe County and Montgomery County LWVs. It was suggested we work with ROTARAC to do the County Commissioner or other local races.

Jane will look into possible locations for the Legislative Breakfast other than the MCL. Jane will explore with the Journal and Courier and TV18 if there are ways to link our candidate information to their web sites.

Citizen Education

Jo Ann is organizing a presentation at the YWCA on September 8 titled "How To Choose the Best Candidate for You". A title change is possible.

KD Benson will be asked to present on the Sunshine Law at the WALLA course next spring.

Donna agreed to check with Joanne Evers regarding ballot initiatives in Indiana and if LWVIN has plans to provide voter information on them.

We will register voters at the Naturalization ceremony August 29 as part of Global Fest.

Web Site

Anything written for the newsletter should also be sent to Jane for use on the web. There was a discussion of posting information about meetings that are for members only.

Orientation and refresher of League policies and procedures

Betty provided copies and reviewed our policies and procedures:

- Non-partisan policy
- Concurrence
- Consensus
- Newsletter
- League spokespersons
- Positions and programs

August Picnic

Happy Hollow Shelter #2 from 11:30-1. The shelter is reserved from 11AM to 4PM. John will recap the LWVUS Convention and Liz Solberg will present a program on the Wabash River Development. Mida and Winnie will bring water. We will announce (newsletter and e-mail) that members should bring a dish to share. Donna will participate in the LWVUS convention update if she is in town.

County Fair booth

Training for those working at the HAPA booth at the Tippecanoe County Fair will be July 4 7-8PM at the former St. Andrew Methodist church on Meridian Street in West Lafayette. Training is important due to the changed focus of the booth – prevention first. Printed materials we will provide are Officials Directory, 5 Things You Need to Know to Vote, copies of vote center locations. Petitions at the booth will support age appropriate and medically accurate sex education. The next planning meeting will be at K Dees Coffee Shop July 10 at 9AM. Workers are still needed.

Water quality program

Jane Frankenberger will develop her title and send it to Ramona Lawson for publicizing.

Making Democracy Work award

Jean distributed flyers so we can help publicize the award. She will also prepare an e-mail notice to members. Louis Mahern has agreed to be the presenter.

LWVGL Programs 2008-09 schedule

Additions and changes to what was distributed are:

Program Planning will be in November in order to meet the LWVIN deadline of January.

Jan. 31 – Legislative Breakfast

September 4 – presentation to TCPL Youth Advisory Council

September 15 – State Candidate Forum with WALLA

September 17 – Constitution Day – Making Democracy Work Award – Louis Mahern speaker

Newsletter

Newsletters are schedule for July, September, January (with a December deadline) and March. Betty will check with Kaye for deadlines and mailing dates.

League Phone

There was a discussion of the League phone line which currently costs \$600 per year. No decision was made.

Appointments

Mida agreed to be the Board member of the nominating committee. Betty appealed for a membership chair but there were no volunteers.

July Bulletin

Deadline is July 11. Will be mailed July 18.

Jane – will write about her program on water quality, including a title.

Winnie – will write about the August picnic.

Kaye – will write about the Prevention First booth at the Tippecanoe County Fair.

Jean – will write about the Making Democracy Work award.

Next meeting

It was agreed that we do not need to meet in July. Board meetings for the 2008-2009 year will continue to be on the third Tuesday of the month at 5PM. The next Board meeting will be Tuesday August 19 5PM at the West Lafayette Public Library.

Adjournment was by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Giroux, Secretary