



League of Women Voters of Juneau

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

VALLEY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM

5:00 PM – 6:15 PM AUGUST 20, 2018

DRAFT Board Minutes

Call to Order

Vice-President and Acting President Marianne Mills called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm, after a quorum was established.

Board members present at the meeting were Marianne Mills, Pat Watt, Judith Mitchell, carolyn Brown, Monica Todden, Nancy Waterman, Peggy Cowan.

Absent: Kim Jones, Judy Andree, Trish Turner Custard and Alicia Hughes-Skandjjs.

Members attending: Sandy Mander, MJ Hinman, and Tashe Elizarde (via phone).

Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved as written with addition of items to be discussed by Tasha Elizarde on youth involvement in the League.

Approval of July Minutes

Minutes approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was approved as written. Total balance is \$9,661.04.

Annual Fundraiser

Kim Jones' report included information about the Fall Fundraiser. She has contacted the Hanger and it is tentatively set for Friday, October 5th, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The theme is "Voting." It was discussed that since October 7th is the last day to register before the November elections, we should have a registration table available.

Nominating Committee

It was discussed that we still need 2-3 Board members for the nominating committee. Some board member names were discussed. It was determined we need to communicate to the members and the board members to try to find volunteers for this very important committee. Will be discussed again next month - the Nominating committee should begin work in October or early November and we had a member resign.

Board Member Reports

Points to Ponder/Countdown to the Election: carolyn Brown reported that we have six (6) articles submitted to the Juneau Empire, with 2-3 more at least planned. These articles will be posted every Wednesday between now and the election. These will also be posted to our webpage.

Peratrovich Book Update: carolyn Brown has met with Ishmael Hope to discuss his involvement in the book. This project is moving forward, but will take more funds that we currently have available. There was a discussion that another book is about to be published on Elizabeth Peratrovich by a former Juneau teacher and Alaskan author as a heads-up to the committee. This is a very exciting move forward on this project.

Municipal Candidate Forum: carolyn Brown reported on the final preparations for the municipal candidate forum to be held on Thursday, September 20th at 360 North. KTOO is assisting and will be airing this meeting live, as well as streaming over the internet. It will be streamed to the libraries as well. Alyson Curry will moderate. On Sunday, September 23rd, the Voters Guide will be published in the Juneau Empire. We have submitted questions to the candidates and to the Empire.

State Candidate Forum: It was decided that we would still like to plan a forum (**not** a meet and greet) for the State Candidates from Juneau. carolyn Brown will discuss with KTOO about holding this at 360 North as well some time in October.

MLD report: There is no Membership and Leadership development report for this month, as the MLD meetings were cancelled for July.

Juneau Voter: The next issue of the Juneau Voter will be sent out in September. If anyone has articles to post, please contact Judith Mitchell before September 7th.

Youth Involvement in the League: Tasha brought up three items for the League to consider: She discussed a proposal that the board consider a Public Service Scholarship for High School Seniors. Pat Watt proposed that we set up a sub-committee (we will solicit interest from our members) to consider this, and a reminder that since we are now a 501c3 organization, any donations for such a scholarship would be tax-deductible. She also recommended the board consider supporting a youth delegate to attend the State and National conventions, and that we consider having a youth board member. While the League did have a youth board member last year, she graduated, so we need to recruit another. She discussed ways for us to reach out to local schools and UAS.

State Convention in Juneau in the spring: Marianne Mills reminded the board that it is Juneau's turn to host the State LWV convention in the spring. It was determined that even though the Folk fest will be going on in April, we should consider the weekend of April 13th-14th for the event. We should consider setting up meetings on the Friday before (April 12th) with legislators so any members coming from out of Juneau would have an opportunity to talk to them. We should start early planning and reserve a venue and perhaps talk to a couple of hotels to block out some rooms. This will be discussed further next month, and need a sub-committee to work on this.

Get out the Native Vote (GONV): Peggy Cowan reported that the League is partnering with other organizations in Juneau on this worthwhile initiative. We are staffing a voter registration table every Sunday morning from 10 am to noon thru September at the Sacred Grounds coffee shop to register voters and provide information on the elections. We still need volunteers to help.

Kid Vote Event: Lacking enough volunteers for this event, and a full slate of events we have going on right now with the elections, Marianne will get back to AEYC and decline.

(Note: **National Voter Registration Day** was not discussed as we ran out of time. We still need volunteers for this if we are going to plan for some way to participate. Will follow up via email.)

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM. NOTE: We are moving back to the Douglas Library for the fall/winter board meetings. The next Board meeting will take place on Monday, September 17th, Douglas Library, 5:00 pm.

Sincerely,

Judith Mitchell (substituting for Trish Turner Custard)