

League of Women Voters of Juneau Board of Directors Meeting KTOO Conference Room June 20, 2015 MINUTES

9:45 AM Call to Order: Geny Del Rosario, President

Attending: G. Del Rosario, <u>c.</u> Brown, R. Barr, C. Niemi, H. Barthel, M. Mills, G. Brown,
P. Watt, F. Compton;
Absent: K. Andree;
Visitors from LWV San Luis Obispo, CA: Merilee and Tony Hyman.

Approval of Agenda: P. Watt made a Motion to approve, second H. Barthel, additions made, no opposition, approved.

Approval of May Minutes: M. Mills made a Motion to approve Minutes of May 16, 2015; Comments: Add M Mills, attending; Page 3: Substitute word Ticket with Auction; Page 3: "Homeless" was not at the State meeting was at the Annual Meeting; No further changes or objections, Minutes of May 2015 passed as amended.

Calendar of the Year, G. Del Rosario: discussion; F. Compton will send to P. Watt electronically to include in website. Returned for further work. Need *Voters Guide* date.

Treasurer's Report/Bank Account Debit Card – G. DelRosario: K Andree mailed treasurers report.

President's Report – G. DelRosario: LWVJ had a busy May and June thanks to P. Watt. Looking forward to fund raising. Welcome Marilee and Tony Hyman.

Special Report on Workshop: Running for Office/Evaluations – P. Watt: R. Barr and H. Barthel also part of the presentation group. Good panelists; 30 people attended; 27 evaluations indicating increased interest for running for 15 attendees. Participants wanted more information on certain topics. Info for municipal elections is different from state elections. The planning group held a debriefing meeting to consider arrangements for next year's workshop. P. Watt will send an email to attendees inviting them to join LWV. Discussion.

Peratrovich Education Funds Request for discussion – <u>c.</u> **Brown:** There is national LWV interested in helping distribution. I would like to use money that was transferred to Juneau LWV. G. Brown: gave background for guests: Along with DVD documentary,

B. Campen with LWVJ committee prepared <u>Viewers Guide</u> made available to public libraries and schools. We want to continue distribution through the state. We propose to use B. Campen to teach throughout state by paying travel expenses. LWV National will make a larger effort with grant. Request further input from the membership and from national LWV and *Vision Makers*. Will bring further information to the next meeting.

Voters Newsletter: G. DelRosario will check with J. Andree to determine who is leading that.

Juneau Empire's Voters Guide – M. Mills: J. Andree and C. Jebe did that in past year. Need one or two new members to work with them to pass the knowledge forward. I asked for timelines. Discussion. Need committee for question development as well. Committee works with Juneau Empire to publish. We need to determine the deadline for registering to run. P. Watt volunteered to take the lead, with <u>c.</u> Brown, C. Niemi will assist.

Print Archives /Storage Unit Discussion – H. Barthel: working on it. K. Andree has stored boxes until there is an understanding of archiving with SLAM.

Fourth of July Parade Entry – M. Mills: submitting entry today. May 20th membership meeting discussed using a "test your citizenship knowledge" quiz and give out prizes at the table. She needs some volunteers to work with her and C. Niemi to develop. M. Mills will use her car in parade with G. Brown and H. Barthel carrying banner – members please join them in the parade! G. Brown motion to offer a questionnaire at 4th of July LWV table, no objections, motion passed.

Committee Reports

Membership – M. Mills: 108 registered member. Committee report emailed to board members; would like to expand our diversity. Propose using a "Test your Citizenship Knowledge" quiz at the LWV July 4th table to draw attention. Discussion. G. Del Rosario will call lapsed members.

Communications – P. Watt: Look at the website! July theme: March with us at the Parade, Register to Vote, will provide copies of the questions that will be at table (see Test Your Citizenship Knowledge).

Book Club Resumption/Goals – G. Brown: transition to find someone who will lead and he will continue to pursue.

Voter's Registration updates/ Test your Citizenship Knowledge (see Membership report)

Fundraising Discussions re: Wine Tasting in October – M. Mills: Focusing on parade and will have more information at the next meeting. Need local vendors or services contacts.

Library Position Review – R. Barr: Number of references to the Library system, Regional system has joined other regions and is now a statewide system. References to support of America Library Bill of Rights, good but has changed and needs to be reviewed. Good and relevant statement; could use some updating. R. Barr will provide information on library system and review the Bill of Rights for inclusion.

Capitol Visit Program: A Middle School Civic Initiative – G. Del Rosario: tabled for program information. If you need a copy of the report, please contact A. Currey. G. Del Rosario will find out when the Capitol will reopen.

Legislative Updates – G. Del Rosario: long session; we received excellent updates from J. Andree via email.

Juneau Votes Collaboration - <u>c</u>. Brown: the challenge is getting people to the voting booths. P. Watt: did a survey, the core group of *Juneau Votes* but LWVJ lacks someone to pull it together. R. Barr: doesn't lack ideas it lacks doers. Number of individual groups doing their own stuff with upcoming election, doesn't seem to be a person to pull all those groups together for this election cycle. Discussion.

New Business/ For the Good of the Order

M. Mills: thank you for attending Board Orientation. I have Membership Handbooks for those who could not attend.

M. Hyman: I like to idea of "good of the order" section of a meeting and will suggest at next meeting.

G. Del Rosario has Two handouts from San Luis Obispo's LWV.

P. Watt has a brochure of the chronology of what San Luis Obispo LWV did as a league last year.

11:15 AM Having no other business before the Board, Meeting Adjourned.