



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF JUNEAU  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
KTOO Conference Room  
9:30 AM-11:30 AM  
November 15, 2014**

**Approved Minutes**

9:40 AM Call to Order: Marianne Mills.

Members Present: President Marianne Mills, Judy Andree, Kim Andree, George Brown, George Brown, Fran Compton, Allyson Currey, Geny Del Rosario, Cheryl Jebe, George Brown,, Hetty Barthel, Marie Olson, Jim Powell, Pat Watt.

Quorum established.

**Agenda - Motion by H. Barthel, second G. Brown, no discussion, no objection, Agenda approved.**

Treasurer's Report – C. Jebe: distributed; prior checking account balance: \$3,305.86 with bills in house, all accounts balance \$5,651.83.

Discussion of acquiring an additional LWVJ banner.

**G. Brown motion to purchase of additional banner, second J. Powell, no objections, so moved.**

C. Jebe: we have a storage space (C. Hedland has a key) for storing the banners.

J. Andree: presentation to thank Pat Watt for all the work she has done on the social media.

**President's Report: MLD, Calendar, Annual Meeting, Policies – M. Mills:**

MLD program has a new model: Grow Me which entails this League setting a goal. Just as the work was done at the retreat, with measurable indicators and deciding how we know if we are successful. Every month the MLD program has a focus: Opportunity for guidance this month: There is an essential player (the member), with a good story and an "ask". A member shares story about why they are a member. Recommended members share their story in the "Voter".

P. Watt: I requested a photo and some information about each board member. I have received 3, F. Compton, A. Currey and M. Mills – requesting info from other board members.

M. Mills: Calendar for 2015 (handout). I have added State Convention, March 27-29, 2015 in Juneau. Requesting input on what date to have Juneau's annual meeting.

**C. Jebe: Motion to have annual Meeting on March 21; second: J. Powell:**

**F. Compton: Friendly amendment to March 14** because of potential organizing conflicts with the State Convention, also in Juneau. **Motion approved as amended.** M. Mills: Contingent upon availability of the Assembly Chambers. F. Compton, will check.

M. Mills: Legislators Reception done in the past in December. Does the board want to have a reception? I suggest the week of Dec 11-12. M. Mills to contact legislators and Assembly; F. Compton volunteered to call Silverbow: starting 5 p.m. with platters.

- Policies: discussion. M. Mills sent Policies to everyone in an email.
- Requesting Volunteer: Monthly league meetings in Empire and on JAHC calendar. Secretary volunteered.

P. Watt: I send emails an agenda for Communication members regarding Meetings and a report to board.

**Membership: scholarship requests, invite CBJ officials, M. Mills:** Membership gathering this coming Thursday night at TMHS; Member Joy Lyon with M. Mills hosting. Pizza and Politics. Sent Mailout invite. F. Compton volunteered to send out PSA for event.

M. Mills: We need to send congratulations to new assembly members and school board members. J. Andree has last year's letters and will email to F. Compton. F. Compton to send a letter of congratulations with a request to join the League.

Scholarship: M. Olson, M. Mills, M. Menzie, A. Fuller attended a *Get out the Native Vote event*. Ms. Olson invited people to join LWVJ resulting in two new members and we are now requesting 3 scholarships.

**G. Brown motion, J Powell second: to give scholarship to Kendri Cesar, Tasha McKoy, and Jessica Isturis.**

Discussion: should be in a policy that we give scholarships, membership now \$50. M. Mills: LWV Policy outlines how we determine a scholarship need: Can potential member afford? Can League afford? Has potential member expressed interest in League? League pays one year, can be renewed by board vote.

**Motion Approved unanimously.** M. Mills will send welcome packet.

**Communications, Pat Watt, Chair:**

Website changes: I am working with K. Andree preparing new website using league format for consistent look. More work to do to get cutover by Christmas. Will assign which members will be responsible for different items on website.

**C. Jebe: Motion to pay the LWV of CA for internet site. G. Brown second. No objection, motion carried.**

J. Powell: I am working on fledgling Northern Leadership task force of leaders planning “Dialogue AK” possibly coming to Juneau January 24, for an all-day session. Would LWVJ consider cosponsoring or endorsement?

Discussion. To be addressed when J. Powell has more information to share with the board.

**Fundraising Trip – P. Watt:** Met 6/15 with Committee members Jebe, Barthel, Jones and Munro – preplanning with FL LWV;

- Need hosts for league visitors in June: transportation volunteers – J. Andree, G. Brown, K. Andree;
- Cook volunteers (picnic at Auk Rec) J. Andree; A. Currey, G. DelRosario, M. Mills and C. Jebe plus a dine around and/or potluck at Menzi’s;
- Evening whale watching cruise – Allan Marine, small boat (22 people) empty seats will be offered to league members.
- M. Olson: would like to make a presentation of “AK Natives now”. Suggest to also have her presentation at the state convention.

**Nominating committee:** Chair, G. Del Rosario, K. Andree, N. Waterman, M. Mills, N. Waterman, C. Munro, and M. Mattson. National recommends looking for qualities: diversity; new members; experience; lead by example; connected to passions. Next meeting K. Andree’s on Dec 6, (Saturday).

#### **Voters Service: Juneau Votes, Naturalization**

M. Olson: *Get out the native vote* event successful. I knew many people. I learned at “getting out the vote” training that I should mix and speak with people directly. They held a mock election – with a voting booth to orient people to voting. There were interesting presentations.

Juneau Votes - c. Brown: Summary coming. It all started in Jan in 2014 with getting out the youth vote. We have done forums, sessions, presentations and know who participated. R. Barr will produce a report; would like to continue by honoring collaborators with a celebration thank you meeting in January; very successful, learned a great deal. *Juneau Votes* entered into National contest. An interesting sideline result was that League will be able to get the front window at the Downtown Library for the Women’s History Month.

P. Watt: League got good press from Juneau Votes activity. The League and Library were the drivers. A celebration will be good. The election turnout in Juneau was up. The reach of the League may result with new members. Suggest we submit our efforts with Juneau Votes for recognition at national LWV.

C. Jebe: No naturalization ceremony scheduled

**State Convention:** M Mills: Still waiting for Juneau member to volunteer to Chair.

**Peratrovich Project: beyond Southeast** - c. Brown: Project now online with LWV website and Juneau library, including with CD and guide. I spoke with an Anchorage consortium. Schools teachers are requesting info to enable them to incorporate into their curricula. I will write a report by March talking about successes.

G. Brown: Thank you P. Watt for making access to Viewers Guide through the LWVJ website that can be printed (<http://juneaulwv.org/news/index.shtml>). Annie Calkins and Brenda Campen will be making an early winter presentation (details coming). Project closes March 31. If there is any money left in Education Fund, he requests LWVJ turn money back to state Education Fund, once our bills are paid. There will be a movie presentation for Floridians at the fund raising even. Thank you M. Olson for offering to speak at that presentation. Discussion on using funds.

M. Mills: Inquired about a letter requesting information for toolkit for educators looking for additional resources. c. Brown has responded.

### **State Studies: Election Processes and Education**

M. Menzi submitted a written report given by M. Mills: LWV state board meeting approved action plan for LWV Voter Registration position.

J. Andree: I am chairing the state education committee with E. Cuadra and A. Story. I will make another request for members from other locations. One question will be about schools for profit.

### **Retreat Follow-Up: Planning & Status Report** - P. Watt: Retreat report distributed.

This is a roadmap to what the board agreed to. M. Mills: I was motivated to get membership things done.

P. Watt: A suggested "Elevator speech" is coming. All retreat objectives will be carried on future agendas. We should do a retreat once a year.

**Voter Newsletter** - J. Andree: Plan to publish this coming week, has *Juneau Votes* report; survey to members, Florida's LWV fundraiser, photos of Hoonah event; Candidate forum and election results, and Retreat report.

**Good of the order:** G. Brown: I was encouraged by N. Carolina's Alma Adams election resulted in 100th woman member to the House. He read a feature that stated women are increasing membership in legislative bodies across the nation.

J. Andree: Wants to offer league positions when legislature meets: she heard throughout her early voting assignment that many voters very angry, which resulted in their action for early voting because of the overbearing media press before the election.

Discussion about publishing J. Andree's report for the forum information.

**Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m. by Chair M. Mills.**

**Next meeting December 20, 2014**