



**League of Women Voters of Juneau
Board of Directors Meeting
KTOO Conference Room
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
April 18, 2015**

MINUTES

9:35 AM Call to Order: President, Geny Del Rosario;

Present: Geny Del Rosario, Kim Andree, Chris Niemi, Cheryl Jebe, Pat Watt, Hetty Barthel, Fran Compton, Marianne Mills

Absent: Robert Barr, George Brown, Alyson Currey

Approval of Agenda, Motion from P. Watt, second C. Niemi to approve agenda as presented.

Approval of February Minutes, Motion from P. Watt, second K. Andree to approve minutes of March 14, 2015.

Treasurer's Report, K. Andree: reporting \$1383 income for Convention and \$1033.60 in expenses, leaving a bank balance of \$1055.33. Accounting was audited by G. DelRosario and K. Andree to close the book for the new Treasurer.

President's Report, G. Del Rosario: thank you for all your work at the Convention and your support. I have nothing to report for March. You have a 100% commitment from me for this position and responsibilities.

Special Report on Concurrence Meeting – Committee attending the Concurrent Meeting of April 20, 2015, conducted by M. Menzi: G. Del Rosario, M. Mills, P. Watt, J. Smetzer, M. Waring, C. Jebe, C. Niemi, F. Compton, c. Brown, G. Brown and L. Jones.

Motion by P. Watt to approve committee's recommendation language to be sent to state board with Juneau's consensus comments, as all in attendance are in general agreement with minor adjustments. M. Menzi to formalize and present to state board. M. Mills second, vote all in favor, no opposition.

Peratrovich Education Funds Request for discussion – G. DelRosario had lunch with Browns, who want to continue to be active in this year's league, are requesting inquiry into the possibility to move Peratrovich Project state funds to local account. G. Del Rosario will request, once a project budget for the remaining funds has been established for her to forward to state budget to request transfer. Carol Dickinson is the new state treasurer. K. Andree will call Ms. Dickinson to discuss.

Print Archives /Storage Unit Discussion, H. Barthel – Carol Hedlin, past president, has stored Archive materials in boxes in a storage unit. H. Barthel offered to do something with these papers. She will ask Fairbanks University Rasmuson Library for guidance as

they have expressed an interested in maintaining history. K. Andree will help; deadline for review this summer, working with older members. M. Mills will suggest some names. P. Watt would sit with committee to pull out a written history of Juneau's league. K. Andree will store and release the storage unit. H. Barthel will put out an email to all league members – any archives contact her to arrange transfer to her.

Bank Account Debit Card Request, K. Andree: would like to be able to make payments online. **Motion from P. Watt, second from C. Niemi to authorize the LWVJ Treasurer to request a bank issued credit card (recourse available for adverse charges) and K. Andree bring proposed procedures for use to LWVJ Board. No opposition. Motion is passed.**

C. Jebe reminded us that LWVJ is CBJ tax exempt for purchases. K. Andree will send interested board members the number.

Committee Reports

Membership, M. Mills: 114 members; G. Del Rosario thanked M. Mills for updating the membership listing. She will call those who do not use email to inform them of upcoming events (through H. Barthel).

M. Mills: LWV National is transitioning membership database, M. Mills is roster manager, and C. Niemi volunteered to be backup.

M. Mills: Recommendation to use LWV banner at public events.

If you are aware of any community activity where we could reach out please contact M. Mills. Membership Committee is working on a development plan with membership interest survey and contact. Membership Committee: M. Mills, C. Niemi, A. Currey, H. Barthel, G. Del Rosario.

Communications, P. Watt: P. Watt is updating LWVJ's website, already his displayed the Running for Office workshop; Press Release will be in May. Laurie Sica (CBJ City Clerk) sent out word to assembly members and school board. LWVJ website will give links to register. Event is June 6: 9am to 1pm in Assembly Chambers; with lunch, presentations and discussion on what it takes to run, jobs, legal, how to run a campaign. Committee members: H. Barthel, P. Watt, L. Sica, B. McEwen, Kristin Bartlett, and R. Barr.

Facebook activity is picking up. *Juneau Votes* is doing a survey has 10 responses to date. Juneau's League can leverage with these kinds of partnerships. H. Barthel will send an email link to other partner agencies and ask them to do the survey. This summer committee will work on email management system.

M. Mills made a motion to approve League's name on press release with review by city clerks. Second: K. Andree. Discussion. No opposition. Motion passed.

Book Club Resumption - tabled

Voter's Registration/Naturalization Ceremony, C. Jebe: Friday: May 15: 10 am Federal Building, come early there is security. G. Del Rosario will do Pledge of Allegiance. August 15th another ceremony.

G. Del Rosario: Thank you to Bridget Smith's March 23 registration. **P. Watt motion to appoint B. Smith as Chair of Voters Services Committee, with second from C. Niemi. No opposition, motion passed.** G. Del Rosario will advise Ms. Smith and ask her to be a lead in the *Juneau Votes* organization. Voter registration is the most popular activity for our members. H. Barthel will send an email inviting members to join the committee. Events to be active at include: May 16 is Community Day at UAS

C. Niemi: There is opportunity to register young people in SERRC, she has registered several people and will get the SERRC contact information to B. Smith so they can collaborate on registering visiting young people.

Fundraising Discussions – membership outreach.

Wine Tasting Event, M. Mills: With K. Andree, L. Janowiec, and J. Andree will work on logistics and report at next meeting. The intent is to combine with silent auction items.

G. Del Rosario would like consideration of a 50th Anniversary of Juneau League acknowledgement to honor all members with certificate for service. Discussion.

Policies and Procedures, M. Mills: We have policies and procedures for Juneau League, last updated in 2003 by Hedlin, Mills, and Borthwick. All Members should become familiar with Policies and Procedures, now available on the LWVJ website: http://www.lwvnet.org/ak/juneau/about_action.html. It is important to continue our non-partisan position on statements and politicians.

Motion from M. Mills to select P. Watt to start a committee to review policies and make board handbook, H. Barthel second. Discussion: Volunteers to help: F. Compton, C. Niemi, M. Menzi, M. Mills, H. Barthel – to start after the June workshop. No objection, motion passed.

Capitol Visit Program – table

Legislative Updates - table

State Convention Follow ups – table

New Business, Pat Watt: In her monthly teleconference with H. Barthel and Cari Zawodny, the question was raised as to “How Juneau league wants to interact with **Membership and Leadership Development**”. This past year she didn't get a lot of information. She believes it will be more beneficial for G. Del Rosario as President to participate in the teleconferences. M. Mills is state coach: there is a MLD team and

everyone is invited to be a part. Suggest C. Niemi and G. Del Rosario would be good Juneau members to participate in monthly phone calls.

G. Del Rosario – this year the Nominating Committee recognized the conflict between president elect and nominating committee chair, and requests that the bylaws committee make recommendations.

Board Orientation, M. Mills at Downtown Library, May 9, 4:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment 11:30