

League of Women Voters of Juneau Board of Directors Meeting KTOO Conference Room August 15, 2015

MINUTES

9:33 AM Call to Order: Geny Del Rosario

Welcome and Introduction of members and guests:

Geny DelRosario, Kim Andree, Chris Niemi, Robert Barr, Hetty Barthel, carolyn Brown, Dixie Hood, Judy Andree, George Brown, Marjorie Menzi, and Fran Compton; Absent: Marianne Mills, Pat Watt, and Alyson Currey.

- Approval of Agenda addition of July minutes, and two state meeting reports, approved
- Approval of June Minutes, no objections, approved
- Approval of July Minutes, no objections, approved
- Approval of the Calendar of the Year tabled
- Treasurer's Report K. Andree: emailed report to Board members, **F. Compton motion to** approve, **C. Niemi second, no discussion, no objection, report approved.**
- **President's Report** 4th of July registration table was success; I took the minutes for the last meeting, there was no action taken because we didn't have a quorum.

c. Brown: Mara Early's students will provide AK Constitution questions for our future registration table questionnaire.

- Voters Registration at the Governor's Picnic on August 14 C. Niemi: Registration table successful with 2 new voters registered;
- Voters Registration September 4th at the UAS Campus C. Niemi: LWV logo on T-shirt;
- Naturalization Ceremony c. Brown: August 21, 2015, last one for the year, c. Brown and C. Niemi attending. G. Del Rosario will do the welcome starts at 9 a.m.;
- *Voters* Newsletter editor K. Andree: She will do layout for upcoming edition. Please send her content; *Juneau Empire's Voters Guide* J. Andree: provided a copy of the LWVJ letter that will be sent out Tuesday with questions for candidates. LWVJ Committee and *Juneau Empire* worked together to put together questions;
- **Print Archives** H. Barthel: project ongoing, there will be a meeting this fall;
- **KINY Radio with Sharon Gaiptman** c. Brown: 8 a.m., Sept. 21, suggested participants A. Currey and M. Menzi;
- KTOO Radio with Jeff Brown c. Brown: arranging a date and C. Niemi will assist.

Committee Reports

- **Membership** discussion about acknowledgement of dues payments. K. Andree passes information to M. Mills, she acknowledges.
- Communications/Webpage Update tabled.
- State Committee on Elections Report H. Barthel and c. Brown: State Committee met with election officials (Lt. Gov, Director of Elections, City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk) regarding upcoming election process. Information on State LWV website.
- State Committee on Judicial Appointment Study Report C. Niemi: M. Waring and Chris reviewing process for committee; encourage members to view the KTOO televised program with Judge Carpeneti J. Andree: there is a bill in legislature that could change the balance of the current system.
- Fundraising K. Andree: Working with C. Niemi, and M. Mills re: Wine Tasting in October 2 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hangar Ballroom: \$50 for 2/\$30 for one - 10 tickets to sell by board members. M. Mills emailed and requested auction items, from each Board member. c. Brown: signed Munoz poster with headline "75th Anniversary of Women's Sufferage" donated. G. Brown motion to not cut poster; C. Niemi second: discussion; majority vote, motion passed. C. Niemi Motion to auction, second R. Barr; no objection, approved.
- Capitol Visit Program: A Middle School Civic Institute Update M. Menzi: A. Currey sent informational email. Committee: B. Smith, A. Currey and M. Menzi. Program will need money for instructor stipend, bus and printing. Looking for a meeting venue that will allow eating brown bag lunch during the program. Middle school teachers are very excited about this. Program will start in early January. Mara Early suggested involving high school student and will continue the dialogue for potential participation.
- Legislative Updates J. Andree: Special Session coming for Gasline issues. Initiative to use PFD databank to register voters.
- *Juneau Votes* Collaboration R. Barr: Have been in touch with Juneau Empire for Candidate Forum media participation with another election forum and discuss scope of this project. Juneau Empire collaborating with KTOO.
- Candidate Forum c. Brown: September 23, 2015, preparation starts at 6 p.m. in CBJ Chambers; refreshments at 6:30, program 7 to 9; KTOO live. H. Barthel will sign people in and provide supplies at sign in table. M. Mills will pick up cards for questions. A. Currey will officiate. Mara Early bringing students. Looking into putting information into the 'cages' in libraries with pictures and bios. Need volunteers to bring refreshments to share. G. Del Rosario will send out an email to all members asking them to participate. G. Brown will take responsibility for coffee. Need a timekeeper: G. Brown volunteered to provide bell and be timekeeper.

New Business/ For the Good of the Order

D. Hood: I am running for CBJ's District 2 seat. Juneau has a growing aging population; feels she would be a good representative. Her experience with the **MyAlaska** online process for registering to be a candidate was a very confusing process. Even with help she received from APOC in Juneau they had to call APOC Anchorage for clarification on some entries.

M. Menzie: Request that the Juneau league letter to LWV state board expressing concern of reduction of funding for APOC to Governor and Legislature. There is a reduction in available information to the public.

J. Andree: Candidate ads in prior *Voter Guide* from the Juneau Empire without disclosure of ad sponsor. Because we cannot be seen as partial we have to be sure what will be published. G. DelRosario: we have to publish a LWV disclaimer.

D. Hood: Juneau Commission on Aging last meeting was about Pioneer Home. Sam Kito was there. The Commission was not happy to hear about potential privatizing being investigated.

R. Barr: New Library opening October 5th, celebration Nov. 7th. Please come and check out up to 40 items until the opening.

G. DelRosario will not be at Dec meeting, and M. Mills will preside for meeting.

11:15 AM With no other business before the Board, meeting Adjourned Respectfully Submitted, Fran Compton, Secretary JLWV