



League of Women Voters of Juneau

**Board of Directors Meeting
May 13, 2019
MINUTES**

Call to Order: President Karen Crane called the meeting to order at 5:15

Board Present: Karen Crane, Trish Turner Custard, Peggy Cowan, Lori Brotherton, Sally Saddler, Barbara Murray

Members Present: Marianne Mills, carolyn Brown, Pat Watt, Liz Cuadra, Sandy Mander

Approval or Agenda: Agenda approve with two additions.

Approval of April Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Report: Lori presented the report. She will add in a *budget to actual* line in next month's budget. She was also asked to designate the Peratrovich project funds. Report filed for audit.

Correspondence: None

Follow-Up from State League Conference:

Marianne reported that diversifying membership is an emphasis for all League chapters. Karen will speak with Richard Peterson, as a follow-up to the LWV's 2018 Get Out The Native Vote effort, about tribal participation in LWV.

Marianne also solicited for members interested in attending the National Leadership Conference to be held June 21st in Leesburg, VA. Karen expressed interest.

It was agreed that the conference went well and we received good feedback from attendees.

Healthy Alaskans Coalition:

carolyn reported that the group met with two aides from Senator Murkowski's office. The Coalition wanted to know the Senator's short and long-term plans for health care and what the Coalition could do to help. The Senator's office is collecting statements from Alaskans concerning any struggles they may have had with health care costs.

carolyn asked LWV Juneau if we would like to collaborate with the Coalition. It was agreed that all in attendance would look at the LWV National position on health care by the next Board meeting and determine at that meeting how best we could work with the Coalition.



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Herb Block Foundation:

Karen reported that the application for grants from this Foundation is now open. The Foundation combats discrimination in all forms, with an emphasis on citizen education and voter participation. It was suggested that this may be a good source of funding for the Capitol Visits program.

Karen will ask Majorie Menzies about writing a letter of inquiry for the grant process, which is due June 5th.

Karen will also look further into the Foundation to see about possible census related programs.

How to Run For Office (June 15th):

Pat Watt and Peggy Cowan reported that everything is in place for a successful 5th year of this workshop. Pre-registration is not required this year. Pat encourages everyone to share the Workshop's Facebook event listing.

UAS Community Day and 4th of July:

It was decided that LWV would not participate in the UAS Community Day this year but would march in the 4th of July Parade. Marianne will register us for the Parade and ask Bridget Smith if she would be willing to head up voter registration on that day.

Trish will email membership regarding the Parade and Voter Registration volunteers once it is determined if Bridget is available to lead the registration effort.

Position Updates:

Pat Watt reported that she has assembled a committee to review and update the Charter Commission and Local Government positions. Due to the overlap between the two positions, combining the positions is being considered. Pat will bring back to the Board for discussion and consideration what she develops.

Other Business:

Marianne requested that at the next Board Meeting we review the directions to the Board developed at the Annual Meeting.

carolyn reported that Laura Early-Sheakley has again asked for LWV to come in to the high school to discuss with students participation in government.

With no further business, Karen adjourned the meeting at 6:15.

Next Board Meeting is June 10, 2019 at 5:15 in the Valley Library Conference Room.