

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY
Board Meeting, November 5, 2012

Members present

Ruth Kistler
John (Jack) Kistler
Janice Gerdemann
Genevie Rosin
Jane Sharp
Frances Van Wert
Suzanne Maxson
Maxine Demory

Members absent

Marilyn Podesta

Call to order

The meeting was held in the conference room at West Coast Bank in Newport. Ruth Kistler, President, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. A quorum was present. The agenda was reviewed and approved. An error was noted in the October minutes – under Other Business, it should have read “invite them to our October meeting”, instead of September. The correction was made by the secretary. Jack Kistler moved that the minutes of the October 1, 2012 board meeting be approved as corrected. Genevie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Support of Local Measures

Suzanne moved that we approve the support of Lincoln County Ballot Measure 21-144 (Children’s Trust Fund). Frances seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Frances moved that we approve the support of Lincoln County Ballot Measure 21-146 (advisory vote to overturn Citizens United). Jack seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

Jack distributed a financial report showing our budget and actual expenses to date. He reported that both our state and national PMPs (per member payment) have been paid. Our account balance on October 1, 2012 was \$4,518.16. Current balance is \$4,778.34.

Frances reported that she sent a note of welcome to our new members. She will send notes to those who haven’t yet paid their dues.

Fruit Fundraising

Maxine turned in to the treasurer the checks she has received to date. She distributed some additional posters and reminded members that fruit orders are due by November 15.

Voters’ Service

Board members expressed appreciation for the excellent job that Marilyn did in organizing all of our Voters’ Service activities. Ruth suggested that we have a discussion about the Yachats Candidates’ Forum – what went well and what might be improved. Genevie volunteered to put together some information for a future work session to discuss this further.

LWVOR Fall Workshop

Ruth, Gen and Jane attended this workshop in Eugene. Jane commented that she thought it was

well organized and included timely topics. Her personal reaction to the Measure 80 presentation was that it was not as effective as it could have been because the pro speaker was very well-prepared and the con speaker not well prepared. On the other hand, she thought the Leadership Development presentation was very good and she would recommend that we become more involved in this.

Gen commented that she that she met LWV members from other parts of the state at the workshop and that it was a positive experience. She also thought it would be good to have one or two members from our LWV to attend a Leadership Development presentation.

November 15 membership meeting

The next membership meeting will be on November 15 at noon, at the Newport Public Library. Ruth will present the Coastal Study using the power point presentation provided by the study group. Gen will lead a discussion of the consensus questions. The questions will be available in the newsletter and Jack offered to provide a separate file of the questions for members to download. Maxine will send a news article about the meeting to local media.

Newsletter

Ruth and Jack will try to have the November newsletter in the mail by November 9. It will include the consensus questions. Jane has written a recap of our Voters' Service activities for the newsletter. Jack provided a newsletter USPS mailing list and board members noted those names which should be removed for various reasons.

December luncheon meeting

It was agreed that our December meeting will be a luncheon on December 13. Suzanne volunteered to make phone calls to secure a meeting place. The criteria will be a restaurant with a private room for about 15 to 20 people. She will call the Side Door Café in Glenden Beach first. If that isn't available, other suggestions were the Inn at Spanish Head or the Embarcadero.

Ruth will ask Deb Martzahn to be our guest speaker and talk about her role as a Citizen Involvement volunteer.

New League brochure

Ruth Kistler distributed copies of the new brochure produced by the national LWV. Members were pleased with it. Ruth and Jack will prepare stickers to place on the back with our local League information. It was agreed that Ruth's name and phone number should be included.

Program ideas for 2013

Ruth asked all of us to be thinking about program ideas for January and beyond. Suzanne recommended that we think about something special for our annual meeting and that we start planning early for the business that needs to be conducted. We also need to discuss follow up on possible new members. These will be items for discussion at our December board meeting.

December board meeting – 1:30 pm on Monday, December 3.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Maxine Demory, Secretary