

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ALAMEDA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES, January 16, 2025
Online via Zoom

Board members present: Anna Crane, presiding; Keasha Martindill, Ashley Lorden, Susan Hauser, Linda Lyons-Justus, Paul Beusterien, Jeff Cambra. **Other members present:** Neil Rubenstein, Lianne Campodonico.

Call to Order: Anna Crane called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Susan moved, Keasha seconded, and we approved to accept the consent agenda including last meeting's minutes, budget, and campaign finance report.

ChapterSpot Transition: Susan will reach out individually to members who still haven't renewed to try to avoid confusion with the upcoming transition to ChapterSpot on Feb 1. We need to update our bylaws to reflect this change and will submit a draft in the next months prior to our Annual Meeting.

Federal Judiciary Study: We will plan to host a meeting to get input from our community at Alameda Hospital in February or March.

People's March: Susan will be tabling on Saturday ahead of the march and giving a short speech inviting new members to our league. We hope that students from our Advisory Committee will join.

Program Planning: We are ready for our upcoming planning meeting, and will bring coffee and pastries.

Spring Program: Local author and activist Joyce Mercado will be a guest speaker on addressing climate change at a program Neil is planning on Earth Day. We're considering how to connect this topic to our league and Alameda government, and will ask our Advocacy Committee to review the Climate Action and Resiliency Plan revisions currently out for public comment to see if there's anything we'd like to take a stance on.

Alameda County DA: Replacement candidates have been identified, via soliciting applications and screening them. A candidate forum is scheduled for 1/23. The League cares about both positions and administrative efficacy to prioritize candidates, as well as the transparency of the process, and the Alameda County Council sent a letter to the Board of Supervisors expressing that.

Annual League Survey: Anna will draft a response for the group to react to, and is open to any input – please reach out if you have thoughts.

Legislative Interviews: We've been assigned to interview AD-18 Mia Bonta. Sometimes it can be hard to schedule with representatives, but Susan and Linda Lyons-Justus successfully reached her last year and will try to connect with her again this year.

Meeting adjourned by Anna Crane at 7:36pm.