

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ALAMEDA
May 17, 2018 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members attending: Marian Breitbart, Ruth Dixon-Mueller, Cynthia Silva, Doris Gee, Keasha Martindill, Kate Quick, Sally Faulhaber, Karen Butter, Doug Neu, Michele Ellson, Felice Zensius. Absent: Juelle-Ann Boyer, Georgia Gates Derr, Ken Werner. Other members attending: Susan Hauser and Anne Spanier.

Call to Order – By Administration Vice President Ruth Dixon-Mueller– 7:05 p.m.

Minutes: April 19, 2018 Board Minutes accepted and filed. Corrections/updates submitted and filed as amended.

Treasurer's Report – Marian Breitbart - Accepted and filed for audit. (Handout)

Schools and Communities First – Felice Zensius provided an update on the measure. The Schools and Communities First petition signature gathering campaign has been extended to 06/30/18; potential placement for the November 2020 ballot. Phone webinars were held. The campaign is doing well in gathering the signatures required. Georgia and Felice have attended PTA meetings and gathered signatures at the meetings.

Administrative Update/Calendar – Ruth Dixon-Mueller – The board was reminded to review the updated calendar and reminders. LWVA Program Planning Annual Meeting to be held June 23, 2018.

Action – Karen Butter – A letter of commendation was sent to the Alameda Sun supporting the hiring of an independent auditor for the Fire Chief hiring issue. A motion was entertained to support the Recommended Programs for 2018-2019. Revised Housing and Transportation position, Retain all existing local positions, No new studies or Updates at this time for 2018-2019. The LWVA will adapt the programs as issues arise for emphasis in 2018-2019. Adoptions to include, Campaign, Local government Transparency and Good Government, Schools and Communities First (formerly known as Make It Fair), Youth Outreach and Registration. Motion by Anne Spanier, Seconded by Felice Zensius as amended.
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Susan Hauser and Ruth Dixon-Mueller attended the Alameda Council meeting for the ACC vote on County Measure A. The vote was 6-0 to support the measure.

Budget – Adina Singer - Adina Singer presented the final budget for 2018-2019 with one footnote update to increase the per member payment by \$1. This was a clarification of the footnote.

Communications Committee – Keasha Martindill – An ad was placed on Facebook advertising the May Forum. Please continue to provide your ideas and information for the website. Facebook continues to draw an audience.

Fundraising (MYPO) – Final figures will be reported at the next meeting. Reported a gross of \$7056.00 with expenses running at \$2456.00. Proposed net profit is \$4530.00.

Membership – Doris Gee - We continue to attract new members. We currently have 164 members. A new membership packet has been developed. Membership committee members will be at the June 14, 2018 Housing Forum. The directory will be provided at the June Annual Meeting. Annual meeting kits to be mailed on May 21, 2018.

Program/Forums – Michele Ellson - A Housing Forum will be held June 14, 2018 at Independence Plaza from 7:00-9:00pm. There will be various speakers. Michele is working on next year's programs for after the election season.

Voter Service – Ken Werner and Juelle-Ann Boyer (report) – Responses from candidates were slow in scheduling the forums for April 26 through May 10, 2018. Results were reviewed for the election forums.

Youth Outreach – Report from Georgia Gates Derr -The Berkeley Rep Theater fundraiser has been cancelled. Anne Spanier reported on the voter registration of the local high school students during May 17-18, 2018. They are using the Voter's Edge website to register. It has become part of their curriculum. She has been working with the high school administrators.

New Business, News, Announcements

LWVA Retreat, August 4, 2018

Adjourned 8:47pm

Cynthia Silva, Secretary