

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ALAMEDA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES, September 19, 2020
Virtual Meeting Online via RingCentral

Board members present: Susan Hauser, presiding; Anne McKereghan, Ashley Lorden, William Smith, Karen Butter, Anna Crane, Laura Kinley, Ken Werner, Keasha Martindill, Doris Gee, Sheila Durkin, Sally Faulhaber, Kate Quick. **Other members present:** Ruth Dixon-Mueller, Lianne Campodonico.

Call to order: Susan Hauser called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.
Kate moved and Doris seconded to accept consent agenda.

Alameda County Council: Census numbers are looking good, Alameda County reporting almost 89% response, and part-time workers converted to full-time to finish strong. Alameda county needs to identify more voting centers (polling places and dropboxes). All bay area leagues also voted to take a neutral position on Measure W (sales tax), as we did, so LWV will maintain a neutral position. There's a council project for digital banners to encourage voter turnout in low-turnout areas. This was effective with the census. Karen moved and Doris seconded supporting this project with a financial contribution of \$250.

Voter service: California League Board discussed implementing a program to help collect and deliver ballots; it is legal in California. Advice is to do this in pairs and deliver the same day they're collected. Anne and Bill volunteered to go around together while respecting social distance guidelines. We should also be prepared to refer people to transportation to polls, or other assistance over the phone about how to vote. There is also a "mobile drop box" being organized by the ROV; we can help get addresses of locations for the mobile drop box to visit, such as senior living facilities. Ken is managing the phone number for people requesting assistance and a list of Voter Service volunteers. We will start promoting the number and the services we can provide.

9/22 is National Voter Registration Day; tabling in front of Daisy's 2-4pm. A volunteer team is keeping affidavits in stock -- we need to keep notes on this. We're looking for a volunteer to input that data to the ROV. We are distributing bookmarks through the library, Meals on Wheels, food bank.

Action: Pros and Cons for Measures AA, W, Z have been posted on our website, along with position statements for AA and Z. FAQs for Measure Z will be posted next week. Policing Town Hall will be recorded on 9/22 and posted on 9/30. Bill has been asked to potentially speak in favor of Prop 15, which he would do on behalf of LWV California. We should either speak on a position OR do impartial pros/cons at a given event, but not mix both -- we must keep education and advocacy separate.

VerifyIt! Game: <https://verifyit.buzz> or link from our website; launched 1.0 on 9/22 and we have over 600 players. Version 1.1 will have enhancements, and survey questions for 6

swing states, as well as a general nationwide version, and is in the works now. 11 other CA leagues are now promoting the game. We may also send out to elected officials across the state to get more cross-promotion.

Programs: Successful School Board (114 Zoom viewers) and City Council (140 viewers) forums, with additional views on Facebook. We have our last forum on 9/24. We need to determine if we're only reading out pros and cons or having people present positions, and whether it will only cover the 2 local measures, or also the county and any state measures. Anne will own getting this worked out. Interest in including Prop 15 to ensure people know about that.

New idea proposal process: Ken and Kate have drafted a document to list "Areas of Consideration" and "Process" for proposing new actions/ideas. We discussed that we'd find it helpful to ensure ideas are well-thought-through before bringing to the board, but that we want to ensure we make the process straightforward and approachable, especially for new League members and those not on the board. Discussion was tabled for the next meeting.

Susan adjourned the meeting at 11:57am.