

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF STANILAUS COUNTY  
MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MARCH 10, 2010**

**Members present:** Ellen Meyer, Susan Novak, Michele McNeil, Marsha Waggoner, Lynn Kelso, Jean Tenney, Marie Bairey, Mildred Kinser, Ellen Dunbar, Mary Giventer. Other members present: Joan Goldsmith, Julie Saugstad, Lauren Klein

**Members excused:** Hanna Renning, Sue Chaffee

**President** Ellen Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Board members introduced themselves to new member Klein.

**Minutes: Motion:** L. Kelso, S - M. Waggoner. Approve minutes of February 10, 2010. **Passed**

**President's Report:**

- Ellen distributed information from LWVC website with some procedural changes
- No report from Jennie on high school voter registration program
- LWVUS 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary article was published in the Modesto Bee.
- No May Board meeting because of Annual Meeting May 22.

**Budget Review Report:** Committee included J. Goldsmith, J. Saugstad, M. McNeil, S. Novak, S. Rhine. Julie reviewed the proposed 2010- 2011 budget. It includes less income than expenses. This has been the trend for several years. However, we have usually spent under budget.

- Estimated income amount reduced
- Potential savings of \$600 distributing *Voter* on e-mail
- No Spring event
- Reduced Annual Meeting expenses. Increase Finance Drive expenses.

Joan reminded members to submit bills for expenses to give evidence of actual costs. If members want to donate, they should submit a bill and write a check in the amount to LWVSC.

**Motion:** E. Dunbar, S – M. Bairey. Approve proposed 2010 – 2011 budget. **Passed.**

**Treasurer: Motion:** M Waggoner, S – M. Kinser. Move CD due March, 2010 to checking account and investigate feasibility of opening a savings account. **Passed.** Michele will request an invoice from Peace-Life Center to apply for Ed. Fund reimbursement for office rent. **Motion:** S. Novak, S – E. Dunbar. Accept March 10 Treasurer's Report. **Passed.**

**First Vice-President:** Susan noted that we will not conduct Legislative Interview this year.

**Finance Drive:** No report

**Membership:** No new members. Many directories are not claimed. Should we print fewer? Mail them? Since MJC printing costs are low, it was recommended to continue printing enough for all member households.

**Voter Service:** Ellen reported that as of today there are contested elections for County Assessor, Auditor/Controller, Sheriff, Supervisor Districts 3 and 4, Clerk/Recorder. Tentative Forum dates in May.

**P.R.:** No report.

**Webmaster:** No report.

**Nominating Committee:** Supervisor Vito Chiesa will be Annual Meeting speaker. Flyer will be in the *Voter*.

**Local Action:** Marie reported a statement was sent to Modesto City Council supporting removal of Beckwith/Dakota from proposed changes in Sphere of Influence. A letter was prepared to commend Modesto Chief Harden for State Gang Prevention grant. The committee will follow-up on responses to gang survey.

**State and National:** Ellen reported LWVC is promoting single pay health care and is very involved in the Legislative Redistricting Commission. LWVUS opposed the Supreme Court decision regarding election campaign contributions from corporations.

**Lunch and Learn:** March – County Planner Matt Machado will talk about North County Corridor.

April speaker is Ryan Swehla.

**Voter** – We will continue to have articles about Lunch and Learn speakers to qualify for partial funding from Ed. Fund.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45. Next meeting is April 14, 2010.

Respectfully submitted, Marie Bairey, Secretary