

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF STANISLAUS COUNTY
MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING NOBEMBER 12, 2008

Members Present: Ellen Meyer, Amy Wolfe, Susan Novak, Marsha Waggoner, Marie Bairey, Lynn Kelso, Ellen Dunbar, Jean Tenney, Hanna Redding, Sue Chaffee, Patty Beyer

Members Absent: Polly Klopfer, Colleen Norby

Meeting called to order by President Ellen Meyer at 6:00 pm.

Minutes: P. Klopfer reported the following correction to September 10 and October 8 minutes: Polly will authorize transfer of funds from Ed Fund to pay 50% of National PMP, 10% of State PMP and Pros and Cons. Jean noted that the last *Voter* was for October/November. **Motion:** M-A..Wolfe, S- H. Renning. Approve minutes as corrected. **Passed.**

President's Report:

- Ellen distributed list of accomplishments for the first 6 months of 2008-2009 following outline of goals suggested by LWVUS President Wilson. She noted we are adding to our traditional activities. The report will be inserted into the next *Voter*.
- Circulated news articles from Portland regarding LWV Portland positions.
- Asked Board members to review their job descriptions for possible update to include all responsibilities before January. For example, who handles Legislative Interview?
- Nominating and Budget Committees will begin work in the spring. They should set dates.
- Webmaster: Stella reported 5431 hits to the Website in October- the biggest volume ever.

Office Manager: No report

Treasurer: Lynn reported for Polly that our Ed Fund Project proposal of 10/8/08 was approved by LWVCEF, and she distributed the monthly report. **Motion:** M-M. Bairey, S- A. Wolfe. Accept the report for review. **Passed.**

Finance Drive: Amy reported that \$4700 was contributed to the General Fund and \$2475 to Ed. Fund. She will reconcile these figures with Polly's report. Extra thank you's will be sent for exceptional gifts, and follow-up letters to those who have not donated but usually do. Members and donors will receive Holiday Fling Flyers.

Membership: Lynn reported 144 members to date. Colleen is completing the Directory.

Voter Service: Pros and Cons at MJC well attended. Discussion followed about ways to increase awareness of Voter Service activities. Radio? Internet? League registered more than 200 voters. Susan noted that registration instructions need to be updated as procedures change and that all who work on registration must go over the procedures each time. Workers must wear League ID. We should have one person to field questions.

P.R. : No report.

Second Vice President: Hanna reported all plans in place for Holiday Fling.

Nominating: Lynn introduced discussion of how to include an incoming Treasurer as part of the budget development process. Nominating Committee will seek a potential Treasurer who could be nominated by the President to the Budget Committee.

Local Action: Patty reported the Local Action Committee recommends support of the Archway Commons Redevelopment/Affordable Housing Project. **Motion:** M- L. Kelso, S- A. Wolfe. Approve statement of support to Modesto Planning Commission and City Council. **Passed.** Committee membership is dwindling. Committee will explore ways to increase participation.

State and National Action: Sue reported that the Presidential Election stimulated interest and participation among young voters. The challenge is to keep new voters engaged.

Lunch and Learn: No speakers November or December. January speaker is Mayor Canella of Ceres.

Voter: Articles due for January *Voter*.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Marie Bairey, Secretary.