

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS of the MID-HUDSON REGION

Board Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2018 at 6:00 pm

Home of Jacki Moriarty

167 Apple Hill Road, Hurley, NY 12443

Present: Jolanda Jansen (President), Cindy Bell (Vice President), Doug Thompson (Treasurer), Soyul Smalls (Secretary), Jacki Moriarty, Jean McGarry, Dorothy Winrow, Kathy OConnor Margaret Sellers, Daisy Tyler

Absent: Nora Scherer, Jennifer Clark

Call to Order: 6:09pm

Next Board meeting: January 23 at 6 PM in the home of Jacki Moriarty

Treasurer's Report (Doug Thompson)

Email will contain more detailed report.

\$250 discrepancy...check reimbursement not cashed.

Waiting for December statement before writing the year's report

Discussion of who has paid their dues for the year

Program Committee Report (Jacki, Jennifer, Nora, Cindy)

January 20 – Campaign Finance: “The Price of Democracy: Money and Elections”

10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Deising's Bakery, 111 N. Front Street, Kingston

Constant Contact announcement for “Campaign Finance” program sent out to Board Members for approval before sending out to the rest of the League Members.

Need to confirm number of attendees for program at Deising's 4 days prior to event.

Difficult to know how many people will be coming to the program (no RSVP info in Freeman Ad, Facebook has limitations with who can be invited and RSVP).

FEBRUARY 3 – “Death with Dignity”

10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Everette Hodge Community Center, 21 Franklin Street, Kingston

Publicity Report (Kathy OConnor):

¼ page for \$35 or ½ page for \$60 for Advertising LWVMHR on a Map of Black History Month Activities in Kingston.

Motion (Kathy, Cindy) for the LWVMHR to pay for a half page ad on the Map of Black History Month Activities in Kingston. Motion Passed.

Action Committee Report (Jean McGarry)

Friday, January 12 at 5:30pm

U-Act event at 7 pm “*NY Health Act Single Payer System*”

New Paltz Community Center, 3 Veterans Drive New Paltz, NY, off of North Chestnut (Rt 32)

Natural Resources Advocates Report (Kathy OConnor)

Discussion about how to increase meeting participation.

Online presence used as a virtual information funnel. Provide information about what environmentally focused events are happening, where and when.

Drawdown by Paul Hawken referenced as a great read about reversing Global Warming.

Move location of the meetings may attract other attendees.

Motion (Kathy, Margaret) to renew \$70 membership in NYSAR³. Motion passed

Two requests for opinion – due by February 15, 2018

2017 Charter School Position Update – Board vote

8 in favor

2 abstentions

LWVNYS Statewide Concurrence on Death with Dignity Position – February 3rd event

Dutchess County Jail (Soyal Smalls)

Petition...

Dutchess County Jail has discontinued evening and weekend visiting hours. The petition is putting pressure on the Sheriff and informing the residents that visitation is important for mental health. The times that has been eliminated are also the times that most families are able to visit their loved ones who are in jail.

Contact Jennifer Wilson and Sally Robison (State Level), Bard Prison Initiative

7:40 Adjourn

Calendar

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| January | 9 | Book club meeting, 1:45 pm - 3:30 pm “Drawdown” by Paul Hawken, Enzo's Ristorante & Pizza, 207 Boices Lane, Kingston |
| | 9 | Monthly Board Meeting 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
167 Apple Hill Road, Hurley, NY 12443 |
| | 12 | U-Act event – 7 pm NY Health Act Single Payer System
New Paltz Community Center
3 Veterans Drive New Paltz, NY, off of North Chestnut (Rt 32) |
| | 20 | Campaign Finance Discussion, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
“The Price of Democracy: Money and Elections”
Deising’s Bakery, 111 N. Front Street, Kingston |
| | 23 | Monthly Board Meeting 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
167 Apple Hill Road, Hurley, NY 12443 |
| February | 3 | “Death with Dignity”, Concurrence Meeting, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Everette Hodge Community Center, 21 Franklin Street, Kingston |
| | 6 | Natural Resources Advocates Meeting, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Main Course Restaurant, New Paltz |
| | 20 | Book club meeting, 1:45 pm - 3:30 pm “Undocumented” by Aviva Chomsky
Enzo's Ristorante & Pizza, 207 Boices Lane, Kingston |

- 27 Monthly Board Meeting 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
167 Apple Hill Road, Hurley, NY 12443
- March 9 Naturalization Ceremony
Ulster County Courthouse, Kingston, NY

Approved by the Board on January 22, 2018

Soyal Smalls

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Secretary, LWVMHR