

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS of the MID-HUDSON REGION

BOARD Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2016, 4:00 pm

Home of Jacki Moriarty
167 Apple Hill Rd, Hurley, NY 12443

Present: Dare Thompson (LWV State President), Jolanda Jansen (Chapter President), Dorothy Winrow (Treasurer), Soyal Smalls (Secretary), Jean McGarry (Voter Services), Kim McEvoy, Irene McInnis, Margaret Sellers, Doug Thompson, and Merrill Sunderland (member),

Absent: Anne Needham (Vice President- excused), Cindy Bell (excused), Daisy Tyler (excused), Lee Ridgway (excused)

Call to order: 4:03pm

Review of Agenda – WHAT’S MISSING?

Next board meeting: October 13, 2016 at 4PM in the home of Jackie Moriarty

Ulster County Family Court Controversy (Jean McGarry)

LWV contacted legislators who were not in favor of putting the relocation of the Family Court because of how the proposition was worded.

Recent Communication regarding debates and information regarding voter guides (Jean McGarry) Chamber of Commerce is hosting two debates. No debate in Cooperstown on October 18, 2016.

Terry Gipson vs Sue Serino debate query sent out by Herb Stoler to potentially be hosted by Dutchess Community College (Jolanda Jansen)

Jean McGarry ordered 2000 new voter guides (300 free since organ donation forms are included). Lee Ridgway will help Jean McGarry pass out the voter guides.

Changes to the by-laws – Commentator publication (Jean McGarry)

The National and State bylaws do not specifically mention co-presidents. Language of co-presidents can be added.

Sunday September 25, LWV was invited to have a voter registration table at a “Concert Across America to End Gun Violence” hosted by group called New Yorkers Against Gun Violence at the Town Cryer Café, Beacon at 6:30pm (Doug Thompson) Jolanda offered to have someone from Dutchess County assist.

Next all member meeting - Constitutional Convention - Barbara Bartoletti –

(Jean McGarry) Constitutional Convention Program sometime between November 9th and November 19th.

Treasurer's Report (Dorothy Winrow)

August 1, 2016 – August 31, 2016 starting balance	\$5,967.78
Balance of checking/savings as of September 1, 2016	\$5,537.45
August 1, 2016 starting balance Education Fund	\$1,614.98
Balance of Education Fund as of September 1, 2016	\$1,614.98
Overall Accounts Balance as of September 1, 2016	\$22,733.07
Total Assets as of September 1, 2016	\$22,733.07

Commentator – deadline September 23, 2016

Submit events to Kristen Faughnan by September 26, 2016

Legislative Procedures Update (Margaret Sellers)

Margaret needs other board members to look through the materials. December 15th is the deadline for the board to ratify a specific issue. A steering committee meeting would need to be set up for analyzing the information, possibly in October. Membership meeting October 18, 2016 at 10 am. Several Board members offered to help. Anne Needham was volunteered in absentia.

Report on September 7, 2016 conference call – Jolanda Jansen

Voter Registration Opportunities

Olive Day – September 10, 2016 – 10:00 am – 4:00 pm – table personed by Jolanda Jansen and new assistant, Ajamu Ayinde – voter registration, share information about materials management, possibly a child centered activity. Any board member is welcome to join for a while.

Rock the Vote – September 15, 2016 – 8:00 pm - ?- Marriot Pavillion at Culinary Institute of America Conference Center 1946 Campus Drive, Merrill Sunderland, Jolanda Jansen, Soyal Smalls, Ajamu Ayinde

Sustainable Saturday - September 17, 2016 – 11:00 am – 3:00 pm - Ulster County Office Building parking lot– 11- 1pm Emilie Hauser, 1- 3pm Jacki Moriarty and Karen Miller

Voter Registration Training – Cancelled

National Voter Registration Day – September 26th
SUNY Dutchess (Jean McGarry, Soyal Smalls)

National Voter Registration Day – September 27th
SUNY Ulster (Cindy Lanzetta, Jean McGarry)

Marist College (Jacki Moriarty and Daisy Tyler).

VOTE 411 (Merrill Sunderland)

List of this year's candidates have been distributed to the board.

Publicity – Next two radio shows

September 19 – Jacki Moriarty and Jean McGarry

October 17 -

Distribution of Election books to Libraries

Calendar

September 10, Olive Day – Materials Management/Voter Registration
13, Materials Management, Main Course Restaurant, 5:30 pm
15, Marist – Rock the Vote
17, Sustainable Saturday – Materials Management/Voter Registration
20, Book Club, Enzo's, "Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging" by
Sebastian Junger
25, 6:30pm Concert Across America voter registration table at Town
Cryer Café in Beacon, NY
26, DCC – Voter Registration
27, SUNY Ulster, Marist – Voter Registration

October 18, Membership Meeting at 10am location TBA

November 8, National Election
9th -19th (Constitutional Convention with Barbara Bartoletti)

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 PM

Approved by the Board on September 25, 2016

Soyal Smalls

Secretary, LWVMHR