

LWVTO 3-14-19 Board Meeting Minutes

Attending: Peggy Dellinger (Chair), Marie Curtis, Dallas and Robert Grove, Diane and Sol Hara, Sally and Bill Madden, Evelyn Murphy, Susan Sferas, Wilma Pfeffer (Secretary)

Budget: Robert Grove

Our financial position is excellent. We now have 59 paid members. Our budget balance is \$4,373 with \$4003 available for expenses. A motion was made by Sol Hara to accept the budget, and approved.

Minutes: Wilma Pfeffer

The minutes from the 2-14-19 meeting were corrected and accepted.

Callathon: Marie Curtis and Wilma Pfeffer

Pledges were made by more than 50% of our membership (\$1,046.00) so we will receive 15% of these contributions from the state.

Announcements: Peggy Dellinger

Dallas Grove and Ken Lutz will be honored at the 2019 Mayor's Ball. May 4. The Township is rededicating the Senior Citizen Center on West Park Ave. to honor Don and Marie Curtis at a ceremony April 3.

Facts and Issues: Marie Curtis

No presentations were made this month.

Name Change: Robert Grove

Votes for the name change were 34 in favor, 0 opposed. Our request for a name change was submitted to the State Board, and will then be submitted to the National Board. Our new name will be League of Women Voters of Southern Monmouth County when approved. We'll have a new Banner made that simply says "League of Women Voters". League of Women Voters; our bylaws will remain the same; we will use a plain LWV logo and the banner will be made of light, porous fabric to reduce wind resistance. \$150 was authorized for the new banner and business cards.

Voter Service: Evelyn Murphy

The Fighting for the Vote Committee meets regularly. We are in the process of reaching out to schools with populations of students in underserved communities, creating lesson plans, and developing a calendar to make presentations and register young voters. Our first date will be March 29 at the Brookdale Civic Engagement Conference. We will get feedback in order to revise and improve programs as needed. Programs will last 90 minutes but will be adjustable as needed. We now have multiple personal contacts at a number of local high

schools. We will also present at the CHHAnge Con on May 15th. We will obtain contact information from registrants in order to send reminders (text and emails) to students prior to primaries and general elections. A Google spreadsheet will be developed to enter and organize the contact information. We will use 732-610-6901 (Evelyn's unused cell phone number) for texts and Evelyn will send a link for emails.

Annual Convention: Peggy, Evelyn, Dallas, Marie, Susan

The Gala and Convention will be held May 3 and 4, 2019 at the Imperia in Franklin Township. The fees are \$125 for May 3rd; Gala, \$110 for the May 4th Convention, and \$200 for both. There will be an option to pay \$45 for lunch only when awards will be announced. LWVTO will reimburse delegates for the \$110. Convention (May 4) charge. Those attending the Gala will pay for their tickets (\$90). Our delegates to the State Convention will be Peggy, Dallas, Evelyn and Mary. Please give items for the silent auction and wine pour to Susan by April 20th.

Membership:

A meeting will be held to determine new membership chairs.

Municipal Election Forum: Peggy Dellinger

The Ocean Township Council Election will be held on May 14th. A list the candidates is attached. LWVTO will hold a forum on May 1st or 6th at the Board of Education on Monmouth Road. Marie will reserve the venue. Anne Torre will be invited to moderate. Dallas and Marie will develop Vote 411 questions and give them to Ted Dellinger to post.

2nd Annual Women's Convention: Peggy Dellinger

The Convention will be held on March 30th at the Stone Pony. LWVTO will staff a table to invite new members and share LWV and voter registration information.

Young Women's Empowerment Day: Diane Hara

Trinity AME Church will be holding two events to honor and encourage young women Grades 9-12.

April 13th Awards Luncheon; April 14th Empowerment Day (9:00 AM-2:00 PM)
Both events will be at Brookdale Community College-Long Branch Campus

Susan Sferas: 2019 Voters Guide

Susan distributed the Guide to all present and will mail a copy to Annette Scott.

Sally Madden: Membership Update

Bill and Sally will send names of new members to Evelyn Murphy for invites to the Voter Service Committee. Bill will be creating a LWVTO Newsletter with events, collaborations, successes, etc.

Peggy Dellinger: Social Justice

Peggy reviewed Annette's expansion of the New Jersey Re-Entry Program.
March 29th Social Justice Conference-Monmouth University: 150 Years is Enough

To Do:

Marie Curtis: Facts and Issues Presentation on League Activities

Peggy Dellinger: Measure Banner-send measurements to Evelyn. Send invite to all members re Ceremony renaming the Ocean Township Senior Center The Marie and Don Curtis Senior Center. Send out information on Convention Webinars. Bring sign-in sheets to March 24th Redistricting Forum. Design and arrange for printing of business cards: Side 1—Voting reminder text number, Side 2—VOTE411. .

Evelyn Murphy: Price Banner with Freehold Printers. Send Board Voter Reminder form. Text info number: 732-610-6901

Marie Curtis: Secure Board of Education building for May 6th or May 1st

Susan Sferas: Ask Anne Torre to moderate the candidate forum May 1st or 6th
Let us know when LWVNJ Awards will be presented.

Bill Madden, Dallas Grove, Marie Curtis: Develop questions for Vote 411 for Ted Dellinger to send to the candidates.

Robert Grove: send Bill Madden files of his analysis of LWVTO membership and activity for our name change

Robert and Dallas Grove: Assist setting up at the Turner Gallery for March 24th Redistricting Presentation (2:15 PM)

Wilma Pfeffer: Pick up key for Turner Gallery (2:15 PM)

Calender:

March 24, 2019 Redistricting Presentation-Turner Gallery 2:00 PM

March 29, 2019 Social Justice Conference

April 10, 2019 2:00-4:00 PM Next Board Meeting-Dean's Ocean Twp.

May 3,4, 2019: Gala, State Convention

May 1 or 6, 2019 Town Council Candidate Forum

May 14, 2019: Ocean Town Council Election (candidate list attached)

June 2, 2019: Membership Celebration and Annual Meeting.

June 10, 2019: ILO Annual Meeting (nominating committee volunteers needed)