

Minutes ILO Board Meeting Monday, November 11, 2019 1pm
Monmouth County Historical Society

Present: Carole Beyer, Barbara Chaudhery, Peggy Dellinger, Susan Sferas, Sharon Steinhorn, Louise Usechak

Prior to the meeting Peggy gave us a quick tour of the amazing exhibit on Suffrage that she has curated. We need to encourage more people to see it!!

1. Susan gave the **Treasurer's report**. Available funds are \$5,507.34 (Sharon will reach out to Stacey G. about cashing the \$100 check and coming to report on the Harvard program). Also have \$427.15 in the Education Fund.
2. **Voting Security** Hot Topic: Dr. Appel and David Harris presented a very successful program. Barb will ask David for his talking points. We would like to take this on as a project for the coming year...going to our Freeholders to educate them about voting machines. It appears that there is an appropriate LWVUS position on this. Susan will confirm this at her upcoming state board meeting. Peggy reported a high number of viewers for the debates that we sponsored and filmed recently. We will also work to create an email list of all Hot Topic attendees, past, present and future. Sharon will talk to Rita Klotz about this.
3. **100th Anniversary Luncheon** is being planned for members in Feb. or March. The State League is seeking volunteers to help plan this. A few volunteers have come forward from north Jersey. Several members are working on a **display for the 100th anniversary**. They will make 5 or 6 copies. We should make an inventory of libraries that we want to use for this display...probably in August. Susan is checking with Neptune, Sharon will check with Headquarters in Manalapan.
4. The League, Peggy and Barbara, are working with the AAUW, and the T.Thomas Fortune org for a **"Women's Suffrage"** called "Suffragists Speak," Program at the Eastern Branch Library, Sun. March 1 (convergence of Women's History month & Black History month)
5. **County Observers**: We discussed revitalizing the LWV presence at the Freeholder meetings and focusing on the issue of voting machine replacement. We agreed to organize the effort after the first of the year, but need first to clarify and confirm with LWVUS and LWVNJ that we in Monmouth County can take a position based on the information we learned at the Hot Topic. Susan agreed to discuss with the state office. Assuming it's a go-ahead, we need to send emails requesting volunteers to attend Freeholder meetings. We need to prepare these observers to speak about the replacement of our Voting Machines using the video of the Hot Topic and the talking points of the speaker David Harris. However, it has been an issue regarding changing times of the Freeholder meetings. Carole will get the schedule for us.
6. Sean Morales-Doyle of the Brennen Center 646-292-8363, is anxious to speak about **Voting Rights Restoration**. We may invite him to speak at our ILO annual meeting. Discussed the possibility of a joint three-League Annual Meeting to ensure a full audience.
7. Barbara's son has a connection with former NY Giants player, Lee Rouson, who will come speak to **African-American young men** about the **importance of voting**. Sharon will give Barb the info to contact Ed Johnson at Brookdale which we understand holds a Diversity Conference for county high schoolers.

8. **By-Laws:** Susan will resend us copies of our by-laws (and Princeton LWV by-laws) so we can begin to prepare changes which will represent our new Board configuration and must be sent to the members in advance of the Annual Meeting.
9. **Next Meeting:** Monday, January 13, 2020 at 2:30pm at the home of Louise Usechak. Peggy Dellinger to lead.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Steinhorn