## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SOUTHERN MONMOUTH COUNTY

Board Meeting: 2-4:15 p.m. Wed., Jan 9, 2019 meeting room Dean's Natural Food Market, 119 Rte. 35 (northbound side), Ocean

Attended by: Marie Curtis, Ted Dellinger, Mary Girard, Sol Hara, Diane Hara, Robert Grove, Dallas Grove, Peggy Dellinger, Susan Sferas, Sally Madden, Bill Madden, Annette Scott, Polly Dell'Omo Debbie Mandelker

As always, a lively discussion was had throughout...

- Treasurer's report; Balance is \$4,628 we currently have 56 paid members with a total of 60 members for purposes of delegate designation we are entitled to 3 delegates
- 2. Minutes of November meeting accepted
- Facts & Issues upcoming show (when scheduled) will be on plastics in general & plastic straws
- Bill will send out Newsletter to membership highlighting our 2018 accomplishments. Peggy will ask Evelyn to send the list to Bill (and to Mary Gerard for a Press Release
- LWVNJ awards will be given at State Convention May 4 during lunch for; Innovation, Collaboration, Communication, Membership Engagement, Distinguished Service. Application deadline is Feb. 4 - use Fight for the Vote, Vote 411, How to Run a Forum, How to Register Voters etc. Peggy will be submitted for Distinguished Member Award. We will submit applications for the LWVTO in all categories (See the Action List below for assignments)
- 6. VOTER SERVICE: Peggy reported that Evelyn (unable to attend) applied for and received a \$500 grant from the LWVUS for a spring voter registration drive targeted at young potential voters in underserved communities. Our efforts will be built around our "Fighting for the Vote" program. We've committed to reach out to five to ten schools and have in mind Brookdale, Ocean County Community College. Asbury Park High School and Long Branch High School. Peggy will share the plan and enlist the two other Monmouth County Leagues at the January 24 ILO board meeting.
- 7. We reviewed the correspondence from LWVNJ President Nancy Hedinger calling for our support of and involvement in upcoming LWV work on NJ's redistricting process and calling for us to schedule an interview with Congressman Chris Smith regarding the package of voting reforms (HR1) introduced in the House. Mary Gerard and Annette Scott offered to make the appointment and conduct the interview.
- Robert reported on his progress in researching what must be done to change our name (LWVTO to LWV of Southern Monmouth County) He will

- convene his team, take the steps, and conduct an e-vote of the membership for approval.
- New members will be automatically enrolled to receive National & State action alerts

## 10. Upcoming;

- a. Jan. 22, Tues. General Meeting Terner Gallery 7-9 p.m.
- b. Jan. 27, Sun. 2020 Census 3-5 p.m. Shrewsbury Historical Society Sycamore Ave., Shrewsbury
- c. Month of Feb. Call-A-Thon Fundraiser for State League
- d. Feb. 14, Thurs. Board Meeting, Peggy's, 2 4:15 p.m.
- e. Feb. 17 Sun. Electoral College, Spring Lake Community Theater 3-4:15
- f. March 14, Thurs. Board Meeting Deans, 2 4:15 p.m.
- g. April 16, Tues. Action Alert Workshop Terner Gallery 7:00

## 11. Action Items:

- a. SM/BM: Follow up and contact three LWVNJ/US members
- b. PD: Ask Evelyn to send her report on 2018 Voter Service accomplishments Robert, Mary, Ted and Bill
- c. BM: Develop and send an e-newsletter highlighting the 2018 accomplishment to membership
- d. PD: Write and submit the LWVNJ application for the Innovations and Membership Engagement Awards due to Pat Thompson by Feb. 4 e.DG: Write & submit the LWVNJ application for the Distinguished
- Service Award due to Pat Thompson by Feb. 4
- f. MC/TD: Write and submit the LWVNJ application for the Communication award (Facts and Issues and website) due to Pat Thompson by Feb. 4
- g. EM: Write and Submit the LWVNJ application for the Collaboration Award (all the organization we worked with/trained/supported on voter registration) due to Pat Thompson by Feb. 4
- h.SS: send email to membership re: LWVNJ Program Planning meeting 1/22
- i. PD: Ask Evelyn to be LWVNJ "Redistricting" state team member representing our League (Mary G. and Annette will help)
- j. MG/AS: Visit Chris Smith re: HR1
- k. RG: Ask Pat Thompson if there is a way to check who is on the state Action Alert list.
- I. DG: Solve the Action Alert issue-
- DECISION: sign all members up for both LWVNJ and LWVUS email lists m. PD/DG: Design and plan an April "Action Alert Workshop" for Monmouth County
- n. PD: Send email to Kerry Butch re; change of name plan
- DG: Secure the Terner Gallery for Action Alert Workshop 4/16 and confirm reservation for Hot Topic 3/24

p.MC: Lead Call-a-Thon effort: Ask Wilma's help Call Pat Thompson re: another local League