

Agenda

Guest: Eileen Newcomer, LWV Wisconsin Voter - Education Coordinator
LWV Sheboygan County 2018-2019 accomplishments

Business:

- o Approve the March 2019 LWVSC meeting minutes (vote)
- o Approve Treasurer's Report (vote)
 - Member dues increase (vote)
 - 2019-2020 budget Adoption of LWV DEI policy verbatim (vote)
- o Nominating Committee report
 - Slate of officers & directors with Nominations from the floor (vote)
 - Delegates to the LWVWI annual meeting (vote)
 - Local program: diversity, equity, and inclusion focus (vote)
 - Bylaws changes: redefine quorum for meetings (vote: 2/3)
 - Other Subcommittee and Role vacancies (vote)

Announcements



Welcome

Guest Speaker: Eileen Newcomer

League of Women Voters Wisconsin Voter Education Coordinator



Thank you Eileen for coming!
[Eileen Newcomer 2019 Annual Meeting deck](#)

In Reflection LWV Sheboygan County 2018-19

Luan Burton



2018-19 Leadership
Luan Burton, President
Jane Kettler, Vice President of Program & Advocacy
Nona Beining, Secretary, Nominating Committee
Sherryl Andrus, Treasurer
Kristin Casey-Booth, Director, Communications
Sue Grasse, Director, Voter Registration & Access
Maeve Quinn, Mary Lynne Donohue
Environmental Education & Action: Kristin Casey-Booth, Linda Shimon
Membership: Betsy Laswell
Lauren Rose Hofland: Immediate Past President, Nominating Committee, Fundraising/Development

[Highlight Reel in Google Drive](#)

We did a lot! 6 League Meetings and speakers: Marcos Geuvara, Voces de la Frontera on immigration reform, Joe Rupnik, Executive Director, Sheboygan Housing Authority on SHA, Darrell Hofland, Sheboygan City Administrator on the dark store advisory referendum, Eileen Newcomer, LWVWI Voter Education Coordinator on LWV and LWVWI initiatives

Voter Registration and Access Committee:

- National Voter Registration Day: The League has been the largest on-the-ground participant in NVRD each year since its inception, with nearly 400 Leagues from 48 states taking part as of 2018.
- Kristin, Jane, Dominique Lee (one of our student members) did an interview with a student journalist from Sheboygan South High School who approached them and asked them to speak about registering to vote and finding your polling place and other voting matters. The interview was broadcast on the school and community network.
- (Edison Research was commissioned by National Election Pool for those networks.)
- Shout out to John Binder for the voter registration work he's done on his own initiative in Plymouth and also with our League. John "embodies voter registration," "consistent herculean tenacity to get everyone registered." He even set up a booth at the Plymouth Fair last summer!
- And shout out to Deb Sabol Williams. Deb has come to several high school registration events, and she has personally adopted two grocery stores (Union Market/Hmong, La Conquistadora/Latinx), which she visits once a month to share information about LWV and voting.

Candidate Forums

- We couldn't come to agreeable terms with one candidate, and since LWV does not permit empty chair debates, we weren't able to carry it through. (Sen. Devin LeMahieu)
- But a lot of planning still went into it, and I want to recognize Lauren and Joan

Rogers.

Connecting with the State League - Luan

- Issues Briefing, Annual Meeting, Presidents Calls, Community Alliance Committee

Grants (Kristin, Luan)

- LWV - \$1,000 and the Joyce Foundation - \$250

Leadership retreat

- Freda Johnson - She's a part-time Sheboygan resident, immediate past president of the League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson, and current League of Women Voters of Arizona board member.
- She generously donated her time to develop and lead this team-building workshop. She does this work professionally.
- She's shared League resources and served as a mentor to Luan.
- She reflects the spirit of League.

Diversity Equity and Inclusion webinar: Luan

- LWV webinar: "How Studying Privilege Systems Can Strengthen Compassion."
- LWVSC DEI workshop
 - o examined personal identities and beliefs
 - o tools and terms for conversations on intersectionality
 - o featured in LWVWI Forward as the "League on the Spotlight"
- LWVWI Community Alliance Committee

Environment Committee - Kristin and Linda

- *Enough is Enough: Building a Sustainable Economy in a World of Finite Resources*
 - o Jim Carpenter, instructor of Economics at MATC
- Effective Communication in the Face of Skepticism: Climate Change
 - o Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership
 - o Climate Change Coalition of Door County
 - o Sheboygan River Basin Partnership
 - o Ryan Laswell, certified wellness practitioner
- Banning coal tar sealants
 - o Clean Wisconsin

Fundraising / Development

- Lauren Hofland ran the inaugural member name tag fundraiser.
- Lauren and Sue put together the fundraiser tonight.

Communications - ONLINE PRESENCE! Thank you Kristin!

- www.lwvsheboygan.org
- Facebook ads
- Twitter & Instagram
- MailChimp

Social Events

- LWVSC 1st birthday celebration
- 2 trivia nights at 3 Sheeps

And our Public Presence

- "Go Vote!" street banner (Sheboygan Public Works)
- Letters to the editor/public comments
 - o Wisconsin Senate District 9 candidate forum attempt
 - o National Voter Registration Day
 - o LWV 2018 National Convention
 - o The National Park Service Protest-Permitting Process

Venues:

- Mead Public Library, Lakeshore Community Health, Maywood Environmental Park, 3 Sheeps Brewing Company

Business Donations:

Paradigm Coffee and Music and Starbucks

FINAL THOUGHTS

“We as an organization have much to be proud of. None of these accomplishments could have happened without teamwork and the personal initiative of our members. We’ve come a long way in the two years we’ve existed. We’ve got our framework established, and we’ve begun building partnerships in the community, which is probably the most effective way to reach the most people. These days, instead of us asking organizations to collaborate and lend us their expertise, they’re asking us to collaborate and lend our expertise. The name League of Women Voters opens doors. Now LWVSC has earned a seat at the table. Let’s give ourselves a hand.” Luan Burton

Business

Approval of March 2019 LWVSC meeting minutes (vote)

No corrections
Minutes are approved



Business

Treasurers Report (approval)

- o Member dues increase: \$10 for individual, \$8 for additional member of household (vote: 5/0)
- o 2019-2020 budget (vote)

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|-----------------|--|-------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------------|
| | | <u>Revenue</u> | | Balance | -\$3,333.45 |
| Dues | | \$2,150.00 | | | |
| Donations | | 1,453.48 | | Checking | \$ 989.06 |
| Interest | | 5.75 | | Savings | <u>3,194.05</u> |
| Grants | | <u>1,000.00</u> | | Cash on Hand | \$4,183.11 |
| Total | | \$4,609.23 | | | |
| | | <u>Expenses</u> | | Financial Position | \$ 849.66 |
| General | | \$1,333.74 | | In-kind to date | \$ 421.49 |
| Dues to US & WI | | 5,553.00 | | | |
| Grant Expenses | | <u>1,055.94</u> | | | |
| Total | | \$7,942.68 | | | |



Dues

| | Current | Increase | Proposed |
|------------|-----------|----------|--------------|
| Individual | \$65 | \$10 | <u>\$ 75</u> |
| Additional | <u>30</u> | 5 | <u>35</u> |
| | \$95 | | \$110 |

Rationale

| | Individual | Additional | \$30 |
|----------|------------|------------|-------|
| National | - 32 | | - 16 |
| State | - 30 | | - 15 |
| Local | \$ 3 | | \$- 1 |

Budget: motion to accept budget based on 75/35 dues increase – Sue Second – Lauren Hofland
All in favor – motion passes
Discussion: Is there a plan to get our fiscal year in alignment with state and national fiscal year? This will be studied and an answer will come to the membership. (discuss at board meeting and get a statement) We are in sync with state and national, but accounting months are offset from when they count the members.
Vote: motion to accept dues increase as stated by treasurer 75/35 – Nona Beining Second – Kristin Casey Booth
All in favor – motion passes

Business

Nominating Committee report

- State of officers & directors
 - President: Jane Kettler (1-year term)
 - President-Elect: (1-year term): **open**
 - Secretary (2-year term): Nona Beining
 - Directors (3-year term if elected by membership, 1-year term if appointed by the board): **3 openings**
 - o Finance/Development
 - o Program & Advocacy
 - o Membership
- Nominating Committee (1-year term):
 - o One member: **open**
 - o Two board members: Nona Beining, Sherryl Andrus
 - o Chair: **open** (one of these three people)

President: Jane Kettler – president, bio read, no other nominations – elected to a 1 YR term
Pres-elect: open – no nominations. Nominating committee will keep working.
Secretary: Nona Beining – no other nominations, bio read. 2 YR term
Directors: 3 openings. Liz Braden (membership) volunteers leaving 2 more
Nominating: (member position) Lauren Hofland, plus 2 board already, Kathy Manny motion to Sherryl and Lauren will decide which of them will be the Chair. Bill Burton second. All in favor. Motion carried.



Business

Nominations from the floor

- Delegates to the LWVWI annual meeting: **8 openings** (members)
 - June 8, 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., **Greenlake, WI**
- Adoption of LWV DEI policy verbatim (vote)
- Local program: diversity, equity, and inclusion focus (vote)
- Bylaws change: redefine quorum for meetings (vote: 2/3)
- Other vacancies
 - Sub-Committee
 - Environmental Education & Action: **co-chair open**
 - Roles
 - Marketing: **open**



LWV Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy

"LWV is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to the organization's current and future success in engaging all individuals, households, communities, and policy makers in creating a more perfect democracy.

There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, gender identity, ethnicity, race, native or indigenous origin, age, generation, sexual orientation, culture, religion, belief system, marital status, parental status, socioeconomic status, language, accent, ability status, mental health, educational level or background, geography, nationality, work style, work experience, job role function, thinking style, personality type, physical appearance, political perspective or affiliation and/or any other characteristic that can be identified as recognizing or illustrating diversity."

- Adopt verbatim
- Vote

Bylaws Change

"Article IV, Section 7: Quorum

Current:

"A majority of members in attendance will constitute a quorum to conduct business at all membership meetings of LWVSHEB."

Proposed:

"The number of members in attendance will constitute a quorum to conduct business at all membership meetings of LWVSHEB."

- Vote (2/3)

Delegates:

Luan is going as President (outgoing)
Jane Kettler is going as President (incoming)
Sue Grasse will be 3rd member
Sherryl Andres will be 4th
League Sheb. Will pay 1/2 application fee

Budget: see above

DEI: adoption of LWV DEI policy – motion to adopt verbatim – Sherryl Andres
Second – Bill Burton
All in favor – motion passes

Local program: Each committee will appoint 1 member champion who will champion DEI this focus internally and programmatically.

Motion to accept the adoption of focus of program year with committees appointing....

Lauren

Second – Sherryl

All in favor – motion passes

Bylaws Change Quorum

Proposed: the number of members in attendance will constitute a quorum to conduct business at all membership meetings

Motion to accept as written – Kristin

Second – Ellen Klusman

Judy Northern as co chair of Environment –

Marketing role is still open

Announcements

- 100 year Anniversary - Sue Grasse
- Kondo Your Condo discount sale and other merchandise - Lauren Rose Hofland
- Membership renewals - Betsy Laswell
- Cake, appetizers - Sue Grasse



Committee signup sheet for Centennial celebrations

Upcoming Events

Friday, June 8
LWVWI Annual Meeting
8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Green Lake Conference Center
22011 State Hwy 23
Green Lake, WI
www.lwv.org/wisconsin/calendar



Social Media

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Next meeting

July 10, 6:30pm
6:30-8:00 p.m.
tbd.