



Monthly Member Meeting Sept 13, 2017

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| <p>Tonight's agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendment to Bylaws • Adoption of 2017-18 Budget • Approval of August Minutes • State Presidents' Meeting Highlights • Treasurer's Report • Committee Reports • Observers at Local Municipal Meetings • Adjourn to subcommittee meetings <hr/> | <p>Article III Membership, Sec. 7. Quorum. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.</p> <p>Message from Maeve about remembering we need to hold to the non-partisanship nature of League. Let's protect democracy by engaging people. Inform the electorate is our goal. Great Decisions Program coming the library in October.</p> |
| <p>Amendment to Bylaws</p> <p>Per the recommendation of the State LWV, we propose to change our <u>By-Laws</u> from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A majority of members in attendance will constitute a quorum to conduct business at all membership meetings of LWVSHEB. <p>to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 members in attendance will constitute a quorum to conduct business at all membership meetings of LWVSHEB. <hr/> | <p>Name Tags: next time</p> <p>Bylaw amendment: NA - we are covered with our current bylaws. We need a majority of Board of Directors.</p> |
| <p>Adoption of Budget & Approval of Minutes</p> <p>Vote on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of 2017-18 Budget • Approval of August meeting minutes <hr/> | <p>Budget: Discussion last time was that we should tweak the budget. State does assessment of membership in January and we start paying local dues after that. Motion to approve: Maeve 2nd: Jo Johnson All in favor</p> <p>August minutes: Minutes should include how many members in our League. We will include starting October 2017 Motion: Janice 2nd: Valerie</p> |
| <p>Reports</p> <p>State Presidents' Meeting Highlights</p> <p>Treasurer's Report: Luan Burton</p> <p>Committee Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voter registration and voting access: Maeve Quinn • Education: Ruth Rank & Valárei Ortega Van Sickle • Environment: Stephanie Szemetylo and Luan Burton • Communications Committee <p>Observers at local municipal meetings: Maeve Quinn</p> <hr/> <p>Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manitowoc-Sheboygan Watershed; September 21 from 7:00-9:00 pm at Manitowoc City Hall. Members interested in carpooling should email LWV Sheboygan Treasurer, Luan Burton luan.burton@gmail.com • WI Fair Voter Map: What's a Gerrymander? September 26 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Mead Public Library (the Loft). • Wisconsin Academy: What's going on in our Great Lakes? September 27 from 7:00 - 8:30 at Mead Public Library (Rocca Room). <hr/> | <p>No president's meeting highlights - will revisit in October when President is in attendance</p> <p>Treasurer's report: See attached. Submitted by Luan Burton</p> <p>Box in the back for treasury contributions/donations. Ask Luan if you need a receipt</p> <p>Voter registration: Minutes submitted by Maeve Quinn. See attached.</p> <p>Education: Next meeting Sept 28 Nick Dussault discussion on Fair Voter Maps at the Library on 9/26. Specifically discuss the case before the Supreme Court.</p> <p>2nd speaker: Healthcare Literacy and state office will help us find a</p> |

speaker

3rd speaker, in November: Money and Politics
What is Citizens United, what non-partisan groups have speakers?
Date TBD*

Great Decisions promotion
Get this list from library - Tuesdays in October at Mead

No minutes to attach at this time. Summary will be given at October meeting.

Environment:

Aug 14 meeting with Pres of LWV Manitowoc Cty
She coached us on how to get environment committee going - forms to plan forums/issues meeting

We can have a cross pollinating and supportive relationship with Manitowoc.
Notes of meeting 9/28: See attached. Submitted by Luann Burton

Aug 31 meeting
Watershed management project
Financially sported by Brookby Foundation WI, and Lake Michigan chapters are spearheading this
Mid-late October Speaker:
Spotlight on Wi Watershed - Sept 21, 7pm - City Hall * Manitowoc
Arranging carpool - email luan.burton@gmail.com

National Marine Sanctuary meeting Sept 21 - Margaret is going the Yacht Club *

Sept 27 What's going on in our Great Lakes at Mead Library 7pm-8pm Dr. Valclump *

WI rep on LWV LM region board - we are trying to find a member to feed the list.

Alexandra Nugent: Freshwater Stories Lab
University of Illinois - collected stories of people who live on the lake. Connected through stories to minimize partisanship. Facts don't move people, they keep people in the box. Draw out their stories to get people talking. We influence each other more by stories, not by facts.

Communications:

We have met and discussed issues

1. Streamline email with software
2. Website
3. Print Material development

Voter Education

We will meet on 9/26 to discuss which topic will be next:

1. ACA and Healthcare Options - including enrollment issues

2. Getting Money out of Politics

Upcoming Events

| Event | Date | Time |
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| Wisconsin Academy: What's going on in our Great Lakes? | Oct 27 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm |
| Great Decisions | Oct 3 | 4:00pm - 8:00pm |
| Great Decisions | Oct 10 | 4:00pm - 8:00pm |
| Great Decisions | Oct 17 | 4:00pm - 8:00pm |
| Great Decisions | Oct 24 | 4:00pm - 8:00pm |

Observers!

Maeve Quinn statement:

So many meetings are open to the public.

We want to start implementing a program of Observers who can go to government meetings open to the public in Sheboygan County.

These observers can report back to our League meeting - any issues of note which coincide with our education/outreach efforts.

We encourage the committee members to sit in on some of these meeting.

Carol - citizen members are often welcome at these meetings.

List of available meetings attached.

Speakers Bureau

Ignite Sheboygan - Oct 16 at 5:30pm

John Binder will talk about his registration group.

20 slides, 15 seconds each

Next meeting: challenge each member to bring a friend

October 18, 2017 at 6:30 pm

Mead Public Library - The Loft (3rd floor)

Motion to adjourn:

Karen Berge

2nd Ann Hurdle

| Income 2017-2018 | | | |
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| | July | August | To Date |
| Dues | \$125.00 | \$0.00 | \$125.00 |
| Donations | \$0.00 | \$40.00 | \$40.00 |
| Dividend | \$0.17 | \$0.17 | \$0.34 |
| Total | \$125.17 | \$40.17 | \$165.34 |

Agenda
LWV Voter Rights/Access Committee
September 13, 2017

1. Accepted Minutes of 8/10/17
2. Review/Reflect on Women's Equality Day 8/26/17
 - A) LWV joined the Granny Caucus in their celebration of Voting Rights
 - B) Items provided: Joan shared small LWV handouts, stickers, and LWV pins
 - C) Materials created: Maeve adapted John Binder's Go Vote Plymouth sheet to share the City of Sheboygan information.
 - D) We should definitely participate in the event next year. It was a fun and effective event. We educated people about voter registration and provided them with information about the four different ways they could register to vote (blue voter registration sheet). Walking around the Farmer's Market with the placards that shared the year and the important event impacting women was very powerful. The history skit that Deb Sabol-Williams directed was fantastic. This show was staged several times throughout the morning. The actresses were brilliant! Next year it was suggested that the skit end with a couple of songs highlighting the importance of voting instead of having a 30 minute singing program at the bandshell at 11:30am.
3. We have decided that our local league will participate in the National Voter Registration Day on Tuesday, September 26th
 - A) Material needed – Maeve and Mary Lynne will work to get this information together. Volunteers will be able to pick up packets of information on Monday from Mary Lynne's home.
 - B) Members of the committee will approach Libraries and coffee shops to get permission for having a table available for voter registration throughout the day. Details regarding volunteering (where and when) will be shared via email messages from the Voter Rights/Access Committee. If any LWV member would like to volunteer, they should contact maeve.quinn@earthlink.net.
 - C) It is the hope that either a Big sign and/or table tent with LWV Voter Registration will be created for these tables on Tues. Sept 26.
 - D) Mary Lynne will coordinate a Training session the week before for our volunteers and this information will be shared
 - E) Two LWV volunteers will have a Voter Registration Table at the Fair Maps/Gerrymandering event at Mead Public Library (9/26)
 - F) Interested volunteers will share their interest in volunteering via the group email that will be shared.

4. We will be getting an update in October regarding request to have polling station changed in Longfellow school district neighborhood.
5. We will be getting an update on the request for the DMV to host one late night during the week to accommodate citizens who work first shift (current hours are M-F 8:30am-4:45pm).
6. We reviewed the latest version of John Binder's GO VOTE PLYMOUTH that was modified to include Sheboygan information (blue sheet). It was suggested that it could be made into a tri-fold which would allow more space for photos/graphics.
7. We would also like to work on including more visual/graphic information for the documents re photo ID and proof of residency.
8. Starting in October – we would like to schedule regular days/times for LWV volunteers to host Voter Registration Days (below are sample days/times)
 - A) At libraries every Tuesdays from 3-5 (sample idea)
 - B) At local coffee shop every Thursday from 9-11
 - C) At local high schools at lunch commons area the first Wednesday of each month
 - D) Food Pantries
9. Our goal is to get more of the 18,000 unregistered adults in Sheboygan County registered for 2018.

Government Meetings OPEN to the Public in Sheboygan County

Sheboygan County

There are 25 County Supervisors representing the 25 Districts in Sheboygan County.

The County Board meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the County Board Chambers on the 5th floor of the Courthouse (615 North 6th Street, Sheboygan) with the following exceptions:

- In April in even-numbered years, the Board also meets the second and fourth Tuesdays
- In September, the fourth Tuesday
- In October, the Tuesday preceding the final Tuesday of the month (Budget introduced) and the final Tuesday of the month (Budget Hearing)
- In November, the first Tuesday (Budget Adoption)

Members of the public may address the County Board during the meeting.

County Board Standing Committees meet as follows:

- Executive Committee – 4th Monday at 4:00 PM, subject to change
- Finance Committee – 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 3:30 PM
- Health & Human Services Committee – 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 8:30 AM
- Health Care Center Committee – 2nd Tuesday at 9:00 AM
- Human Resources Committee – 4th Thursday (2nd Thursday as needed) at 3:30 PM
- Law Committee – 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 4:00 PM
- Planning, Resources, Agriculture & Extension Committee – 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 4:15 PM
- Property Committee – 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 4:30 PM
- Transportation Committee – 1st & 3rd Monday at 9:00 AM

More information at <http://sheboygancountywi.iqm2.com/citizens/default.aspx>

City of Sheboygan

The Common Council meets the first and third Monday of each month in the Common Council Chambers in City Hall. Meetings begin at 6 p.m.

All meetings are open to the public

- *Finance and Personnel Committee – first and third Monday of each month at 4pm
- *Public Safety – second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 5pm
- *Public Works – second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm
- *Mead Public Library Board of Trustees – fourth Thursday of each month at 3:45pm

Many other city committee meetings dates/times as well as agendas may be found at

<http://publicweb.ci.sheboygan.wi.us/AgendaMinutes/Committees/Show-Committees-Table.aspx>

Minutes of Environment Committee 09/28/2017

In attendance: Stephanie Szemetylo, Ellen Klusmeier, Margaret Ahrnsbrak, Ken Eberhardt, Luan Burton

- Need a catchy title and more specific description of the lecture. Stephanie will contact Krista Grimm and come up with something.
- During introductions at the beginning:
 - Present LWVSC mission; emphasize nonpartisan. Maybe Jennifer Balma of LWVMC will share what she said at their event, or we can use the text in their brochure. Luan will ask.
 - Share during introductions re: our September events and events happening after 10/23
 - gerrymandering (<https://www.facebook.com/events/533906206948720/>)
 - voter registration
 - plug for our league FB page
 - next meeting date for county league and envir committee
 - reminder to silence cell phones
- Create a brochure about our league to have at the event; get Stephanie content and she will produce it. Luan will ask if we can use LWVMC as a template.
- Write introduction for Krista. Luan
- Ask Krista if she needs mileage or anything. Luan
- Ask Krista about reporting needed to have the event count toward the grant. Luan
- Tell Krista to confirm re: projecting her PowerPoint with Angie the admin at Maywood 920-459-3906. Luan
- Bring membership forms. Luan
- Create a sign-in sheet. (Include column for “want more info re LWVSC.”) Luan
- Ask Maywood re: a mic. Ellen
- Share the meeting details with Andrea K. of WI league, and Jaci Collins, Cathy Cole, and Jennifer Balma of LWVMC
- Tell SEAS (Luan), yacht club (Luan), youth sailing (steph), Lakeshore Natural Resources Partnership (Luan), Forward Sheboygan (Luan) about the event.; they can share our FB event page.
- Create/print flyers and brochures, create FB event page. Stephanie
- Post flyers. Ellen & Margaret
- Take photos. Ken
- Write press release and submit to Sheboygan Press. Bill & Luan Burton
- Get the event in the Sun, Beacon, and on Maywood FB page. Ellen & Linda Shimon
- Include our event in LWVSC newsletter. Luan
- Event is from 7-8:30 p.m.
- Next committee meeting will be during the committee breakout session at the end of the October 18 member/public meeting.