LWV Polk County Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting Friday, July 16, 2021 Corrected

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Attendees

Sandy Sheets, Vicki Lowe, Ivette Herrera-Singh, Natalie Alexich, Larry Rankin, Linda Donaldson, Karen Freedman, Jiwa Farrell, Katy Pace Byrd, Eileen Swiler, Bobbie Harris, Jerry Weeks, Charlene Bennett, Terry Lauretta

Absent: Andy Crossfield, Emily Crain

Notes

- Meeting called to order at 12:09pm with Vicki presiding, briefly.
- Ivette reported quorum was present and established.
- Minutes with minor correction done and to be resent, Katy moved, second by Jiwa, to approve minutes from June 25th, 2021, passed unanimously.
- Treasurer's Report, Terry
 - o Checking \$19,157.72
 - Savings \$250.71
 - o Ed Fund \$2,407.49

- We budgeted \$0 this year and were surprised by two donations of \$500 (Lois Cowles Harrison contribution level)
 - Some are paying the \$100 and \$130 (household) Susan B. Anthony contribution level
- PO Box went up \$40 over budget
- State dues are being billed quarterly this year instead of one lump sum
- Membership dues are behind this time of year and Linda is working on sending reminders
- We have a net income of \$4,453.21 but this is not accounting for some expenses we have had
- Nonprofit Status was filed on June 25th, takes a while to receive documents that allows us to solicit contributions
- Working on Policy Review with Sandy and getting things cleaned up with the Corp. status
- Emily is to follow up with the committees, two weeks before meeting, on their reports to know what is going on with each committee
 - One of the policies Terry's group review is If committee is not responsive, will not the be chairs of committee
- Katy If anyone wants anything to be on the July/August newsletter please send now
 - Put information on the Eddie Yates Memorial which Terry will add something about soliciting donations and to dedicate the tree something in November as a one year anniversary
 - Will add information about speaker Dr. Ethelene Jones coming the the DEI meeting on August 30th
- Question about Vicki's art fundraiser "United We Stand" status it is table for the moment
- In-Person Meeting Committee Report, Linda
 - Good response for Zoom
 - Time of day lunch time was a popular choice from 1130am 1pm
 - Members pay for their own lunch

- Having a set price and menu
- Bringing a brown bag or having potlucks in venus where food is not provided
- Stressed about new members to be recognized
- Committee chairs can present ideas
- The group discussed dates during the year (please review Linda's report)
- Jerry has been researching hybrid meetings for members who prefer this options
- Locations
 - Vicki was looking into restaurants
 - Natalie was looking into libraries
 - Linda was looking into churches
- Comments
 - We would blend in Hot Topics
 - Meetings cannot all be held in Lakeland
 - The importance of Zoom/hybrid meetings
- Sandy to send email regarding BOD meetings/times
- Meeting was adjourned at 12:39pm
- It was discussed and we would like these meetings to be recorded friendly reminder.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ivette Herrera-Singh, Secretary