



Board Meeting
Friday, February 28, 2025 @ 12:00 PM
The Bartow Public Library

After confirming a quorum of Board Members (Charlene Bennett, Diane Allen, Linda Donaldson, Ben Graffam, Breezi Hicks, Jo Shim, and Eileen Swiler) the meeting was called to order at 12:07 PM. Karen Freedman was committed to a state-wide meeting and arrived a little late today.

Diane Allen gave the Treasurer's Report: We currently have \$23,564.86 in our main account. Our debit card account holds \$657.88. Recent expenses include \$3,100.00 to LWVUS for membership, \$621.00 for Insurance, and \$26.50 a monthly fee for our MailChimp account. Recent income includes a \$2,000.00 grant from LWVFL for our monitoring of the local Canvass Board.

Business:

Jo Shim moved for permission to meet with the management of The Well in Lakeland to frame up a potential contract for monthly use by our LWV for board and membership meetings. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Jo Shim and Ben Graffam will report back on this process at our next board meeting.

Linda Donaldson moved that our Budget Committee would be made up of Paula Mims, Diane Allen, and Katy Byrd. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. It was noted that since this committee must be formed at least two months before the Annual Meeting, our Annual Meeting of 2025 could not occur before April 28, 2025.

Karen Freedman moved that the LWVPC should reimburse Jo Shim \$400.00 for her payment to the vote411.org program, a fee that we must pay to operate this system. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Jo Shim moved that LWV Polk County reimburse Jen Cordova for the registration fee of \$195 for attending LWVFL Lobby Days (March 11th -March 12th) in Tallahassee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Our next board meeting will be March 28, 2025, at noon, tentatively scheduled for the Main Branch of the Lakeland Public Library (waiting for conformation).

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03pm.