

MINUTES
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLLIER COUNTY
EDUCATION FUND
Wednesday, March 2, 2011
Olde Cypress Library

Present: *Rose DiBiasi, *Joyce Fletcher, *Lydia Galton, *Jinny Johnson, Paul Kardon, *Anne Lewallen, *Tom McCann, *Mollie Ottina, Sandy Parker, Vi Steffan *Bernice Schmelz, and Donna Suddeth,

*board members

Board members absent: Marjorie Joder, Eileen Mann and Chris Straton

TOPIC	ACTION
Call to order/confirmation of quorum	With a quorum present, Lydia Galton called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.
Consent agenda -	MOTION: The consent agenda was unanimously approved as amended. The financial report was filed for audit.
Budget	The General Fund budget was presented at the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approved subject to minor adjustments, including PayPal costs. The financial report was filed for audit.
Voter Services	After a discussion of the Voter Services program, a MOTION to accept the Education Fund Program was unanimously approved.
Forums	An Education Series is being developed. It will likely be a four-part program put on in collaboration with the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce and other organizations (Education Foundation, Collier County Public School District and possibly others). Breakdown would be as follows: - Point of view of students (Collier County Public School District) - Point of view of the teachers (Education Foundation) - Point of view of parents (to be determined) - Point of view of the community (LWVCC) These forums will likely take place in late summer or early fall. The Water Quality Forum will be held on Tuesday, March 29, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Telford Building at NCH downtown. A blast email will be sent out about the forum. The Chamber is handling publicity.

Audio visual equipment	Given the constant changes in technology and the weight of the AV equipment being proposed, the board decided not to proceed with this purchase at the current time.
General meeting location	<p>Lydia expressed a strong desire to stay at the Hilton and seek underwriters to cover expenses (approximately \$250 per monthly meeting). The decision to seek underwriters was tabled for the incoming board.</p> <p>The LWVCC General Meeting will continue to be the second Monday of the month next season. A subcommittee (Anne Lewallen & Mollie Ottina) will ascertain luncheon choices and AV expenses.</p>
Banner	Lydia shared the mockup of the proposed LWV banner, after which the group provided input on the importance of all words in our name having the same font weight and the necessity of including the registered trademark symbol. Two banners will be ordered.
Board meeting location	Board meetings in April and May 2011 will be held at US Trust on Seagate, gathering at 9 a.m. and starting the meeting at 9:15.
Convention	Joyce Fletcher, Paul Kardon, Kathleen Slebodnik, Kathy Ryan, Lydia Galton and Charlotte Nycklemoe will attend the LWV-FL convention in late March.
Unfilled board needs	Lydia reminded us that we are still seeking chairs for communications, development, membership and website.
Campaign for Leadership	Tom McCann discussed this two-day program that is a workshop for civic leaders. In the prior year, 70 attended. The League has been asked to participate and to be one of the sponsors of the event. The program on civic leadership is being designed to interest citizens in participating in civic discourse, volunteering for boards, and considering a run for public office. The board unanimously decided to both participate in and serve as a sponsor for this effort.
Review and adjourn	MOTION to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by
Jinny Johnson, LWVCC Secretary