

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLLIER COUNTY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – GENERAL FUND
NORTH COLLIER GOVERNMENT CENTER
March 2, 2009**

Present: Chris Straton, Sandy Parker, Bernice Schmelz, Marge Joder, Marilyn Bogen, Kathleen Slebodnik, Rose DiBiasi, Stu Warshauer

Absent: Anne Lewallen, Lydia Galton, Judy Weintraub

The meeting was called to order by President Straton at 11:35 a.m.

Secretary's Report:

The Board minutes of January 5, 2009 were approved.
The Board minutes of February 2, 2009 were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The report as of February 28, 2009 was accepted and filed for audit.

Old Business: Budget - The paper distribution of the Voter was discussed. It was decided to keep \$300 in next year's budget for this expense. A letter will be sent with their renewal form to those members receiving a paper copy requesting a voluntary contribution if they wish to continue receiving a mailed copy.

The yearly Roster is sent with the April Voter to members who receive mailed copies.

Chris will call LWVF to see if state anticipates a dues increase in 2009-10.

Marge Joder moved to remove from the table a motion made in February to recommend that members at the annual meeting raise annual dues from \$65 per person to \$75 per person and \$37.50 for a second household member. After the motion to remove from the table passed, the discussion noted that some expenses had been trimmed to cover the anticipated shortfall, and the original motion to raise annual dues failed.

New Business: The April Board Meeting will address the subject of adding membership categories as a means of obtaining additional financial support from our members. It was felt that member approval at the annual Meeting was not needed to initiate this program.

Committee Programs for 2009-10 must be finalized by March 20 for inclusion in April's Voter. Board members are asked to stay after the General Meeting on March 16 to finalize program planning.

Chris is unable to attend the next Board meeting scheduled for April 6.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Slebodnik
Secretary