

MINUTES
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLLIER COUNTY
GENERAL 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 9:15 a.m.
Consent agenda	<p>MOTION to approve the consent agenda as amended was unanimously approved.</p> <p>The financial report was filed for audit.</p>
General Fund budget	<p>The General Fund budget was presented at the recommendation of the Finance Committee.</p> <p>After discussion on specific points, the board voted to approve the 2011-2012 budget.</p>
Bylaws	<p>Bernice Schmelz, chair of the ad hoc Bylaws Committee (including Eileen Mann, Tom McCann and Mollie Ottina) presented the committee's recommendations.</p> <p>After a detailed review of the two reports (Version One in the board packet and Version Two passed out at the meeting), Version Two was approved, with the exception of whether the president and first vice president would be elected in odd- or even-numbered years. Bernice agreed to meet with her committee again and provide a recommendation on the election year for an email vote.</p> <p>As a result of recommendations from board members, the board also approved proposed revisions to Article VII, Section 3, and Article IX, Section 4. (Proposed changes include a two-year term for the president, having the immediate past president serve on the board for one year and several other proposals.)</p> <p>Therefore, after Lydia's one-year term ending April 2012, LWVCC will be seeking a one-year President to succeed her, after which the term will be two years.</p> <p>NOTE: After the board meeting, Lydia presented the</p>

	<i>wording for the “two-year presidential term” bylaws to the entire board for an email vote, with results to be reported. The issue of a two-year term was approved at the board meeting, as noted above.</i>
Spotlight candidates	New members: Charlotte Nycklemoe, Nina Ribinski, Alan Horton and Deanna Pearlmutter. Long-term members: Kathy Ryan, Susan Calkins, Ann Allen and Anne Lewallen.
Programs for 2011-12	After an individual review of the five programs and minor modifications, a MOTION to adopt all programs as amended was unanimously approved.
Member orientation	The next new member tea, to be held on March 11 at 2 p.m., will take place at Lydia’s home instead of Sandy Parker’s.
Other	Capitol Reports by our lobbyist can be found on LWV Florida’s website. Joyce Fletcher expressed a willingness to coordinate a periodic gathering of members to discuss the reports (likely to be held every couple of weeks), and several board members noted an interest in participating. Vi Steffan, chair of the nominating committee which also includes Sheilah Crowley, Eileen Mann and Tom McCann, will propose the following board candidates for approval at the annual meeting: President: Lydia Galton First Vice President: Joyce Fletcher Secretary: Donna Suddeth Treasurer: Vi Steffan Directors: Paul Kardon, John Levy, Linda Penniman and Mollie Ottina
Review and adjourn	MOTION to adjourn was unanimously approved at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Jinny Johnson, LWVCC Secretary