

**MINUTES
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLLIER COUNTY
EDUCATION FUND
Wednesday, December 1, 2010
Hilton Naples**

Present: Ann Campbell, *Lydia Galton, *Jinny Johnson, *Anne Lewallen, *Eileen Mann, *Tom McCann, *Bernice Schmelz, *Mollie Ottina, Sandy Parker and Vi Steffan

*board members

Board members absent: Rose DiBiasi, Joyce Fletcher, Marjorie Joder and Chris Straton

TOPIC	ACTION
Call to order/confirmation of quorum	With a quorum present, Lydia Galton called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.
Consent agenda -	<p>MOTION: The minutes were unanimously approved as amended.</p> <p>Finance:</p> <p>The board discussed possible potential procedures regarding deposits and check writing in Marjorie Joder's absence due to illness.</p> <p>MOTION: The Assistant Treasurer has the authority to conduct all banking transactions on behalf of the LWVCC. Unanimously approved.</p> <p>Certain concerns were noted regarding our current situation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Treasurer not bonded - Two signatures not required, regardless of check amount <p>Overall, we are not operating under prescribed business guidelines in our financial procedures. Vi Steffan will share AAUW procedures with Lydia re financial responsibilities.</p> <p>The Finance Committee will meet to develop a job description for the Assistant Treasurer. Additional items to be covered will include procedures for PayPal, a job description for a possible intern, the appropriate segregation of duties and the formulation of recommendations to be presented to the board so that we adhere to best practices in this field.</p> <p>Sandy Parker will contact Mary Lynn Moser to join the Finance Committee.</p> <p>Anne Lewallen will follow up re Marjorie's health.</p>

	Contributions were collected for flowers for Marjorie, which Anne will order once she ascertains where to send them.
Application to Community Foundation of Collier County for portable audio system	Lydia will further research both the product under consideration and the funding possibilities for this purchase.
VOTE pins to sell	The board decided not to purchase VOTE pins for resale at the present time. (LWV-FL is offering them to chapters at \$15 per pin, with a suggested sale price of \$20 or \$25.)
Possible program proposal for state and/or local study - Ranking Choice Voting/ Instant Runoff Voting - Running and Winning	<p>Lydia clarified that “instant runoff voting” and “ranked choice voting” are the same thing. Ranked choice voting has been approved by LWV-FL. Why not advocate for Collier County? Good for school board elections? If we decide that we want to advocate in this area, member support will be sought via program proposals at the Annual Meeting.</p> <p>At the March general meeting, a demonstration of “instant runoff voting” will be presented. This could also be a possible speaker topic. We would first need to flesh out the subject in committee and work out a timeline to assure that we have the volunteers to move the issue forward.</p> <p>Lydia will talk with Chris Straton about possibly taking on this issue by forming a committee and working with Tom McCann to get this effort under way. Mrs. Galton will also confirm with Jennifer Edwards that it is a viable possibility. In addition, an inquiry will be made with LWV-Florida and LWV-St. Petersburg to see if/how they are proceeding</p> <p>Sandy suggested an additional topic: changing the law to put solar panels on the roofs of schools and government buildings or in their parking lots in partnership with utilities, thereby generating sufficient electricity for the location. She will prepare a proposal for State consideration. Ann Campbell suggested healthcare reform as a topic.</p> <p>Lydia withdrew the running and winning issue.</p>
Amendment survey update	Survey results will be available on December 8.
Strategic direction of LWVCC/suggestions and job description for development chair	Once again Lydia underscored the need for a development chair.
New business	A decision was made to provide more notice for general meetings. As soon as a monthly meeting has occurred, that information will be removed from the LWVCC website, and the following month’s information will be posted.
Review and adjournment	MOTION to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Jinny Johnson, LWVCC Secretary