# **LWVHC Board Meeting Minutes April 10, 2025**

Members Present: Ernest Mowell, Nancy Pellegrini, Liz Hill, Marcella Lesher, Mary Landry, Lynn McFarland

Members Excused: Mary Kay Krokowski

**Observers:** Myra Woods

Minutes prepared by: Marcella Lesher Start Time: 11:00 am at the Coop Adjourned: 1:00pm

## **Consent Agenda**

Previous Minutes: MKK Leadership Team: EM/LH/NP/MKK Treasurer: NP Education: ML Student Engagement: KT Home Observer Team: RP Immigration: MCL Nominating Committee: LH/SM/GL Voter Service: LM Membership: NJ/SB Communications: GL

## **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>Motion</u> to adopt the March 13 Minutes – Mary L moved. Lynn M seconded. (Approved) Treasurer's reports for March 2025 - (Accepted)

**Presidents Report:** Presidents not meeting until next week. Liz and Ernest reported on regional meeting. Liz will send her notes to the group. State leaders are prioritizing what LWVNC can do. Our observer/hot team was provided as an example of contributions that leagues can be making on a local level.

### **CALENDAR REVIEW**

# April

3 LWVUS Federal Judiciary Initiative discussion via Zoom at 10:00. (There were about 10 people in attendance with great suggestions. The national league will continue to work for a national advocacy position based on the input from state and local leagues.

13 Radio interview with WTZQ for April program

22 <u>Program</u>: "Local Environmental Advocacy, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" at VFW Center at 2:30. Suzanne Hale/Katie Breckheimer will lead. MaryJo Padgett and David Weintraub will present. Lightning Banner ad has been arranged.

28 8:30am Bird Walk, 20 people max, April 30 rain date—Flat Rock Park, Cathy Ford to lead, Nancy coordinating and did Update listing with photo.

#### MAY

2-4 LWVNC Convention—Liz, Marcella, and Ernest will be attending

## Ernest: Create Bylaws Committee to review these and Standing Rules

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

8 Approve Budget for 2025-26. Finance committee met to draft budget. **(See under New Business)** 

14 <u>Program:</u> Education Team. Lunch and Learn: Henderson County Pathfinders Program, Wednesday, May 14 at 11:30 AM, First Congregational Church, 1735 Fifth Ave W, Maggie Gilliam, Director of the program will be the speaker

24 or earlier Budget, slate, priorities to be sent to membership 30 days before Annual Meeting

## June

24 LWVHC Annual Meeting—sandwiches 5:30-7:30 First Congregational. Save the date went into Update 3/30 and is listed on website home page. RSVP's to be requested. **Preliminary Agenda and other needs will be confirmed at May Board meeting including moderator and parliamentarian.** 

#### See action items

27 National Council—no information

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Budget Approval - Approved as amended by the Board

Nominating Committee presents Slate to the Board—it was noted that nominations can be made from the floor. Teams will be asked to encourage people to put their name up for open director position.

Communications Team - will need more assistance with someone who knows Canva and learns other needs with Liz taking over new roles.

Request for Programs that we purchase additional large roll-up sign while we have funds and for better coverage during program presentations.

MK to send request on May 1 for Team Annual Reports and Report on State of LWVHC

Ernest to contact Jay Egolf, state government official, city government official—Theme to be: How to effectively communicate with your elected officials.

**Create "List of steps to Renew Membership online" in Chapter Spot** 

Ernest is revamping the script for annual meeting. Marcella will be church contact. Mary L. will order refreshments

Mary L. will check with daughter who has purchased the large signs before.

# See action item.

Crystal Cauley letter – See Action Item.

Chapter Spot issues - Nancy/Liz

Discussion -we can team up with the Coop to have a program with LWVHC member, Ted Volsky, who's an environmental scientist/expert in the field including agriculture and food production and the environment. Late summer? Katie Breckheimer brought this to the table. **–See Action Item**.

Possible future programs:

- 1. Tour of Henderson Emergency Ops
- 2. "Planning Board and Land Use"
- 3. "How a bill becomes law"
- 4. "What is the process to Run for Office?"
- 5. Zoom in May on Chapter Spot as a possible program for members.

6. "How Food Choices affect the Environment" by member Ted Volskay - H/OT Team

Next meeting May 8, 11 a.m. at Coop

Lynn will check with the Cystal Cauley memorial group to see if we can participate.

Mary L. will tell Katie to pursue her proposal.