

League of Women Voters of St. Croix Valley

Board and Committee Chair Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2025, 4:00 p.m. — 5:00p.m. via Zoom

Board Members Present: Beth Wood, Irene Bugge, Kris Surbaugh, Evanne Hunt, Kate Manecke, Barb Katt, Rita Kearn, Patty VanNevel,

League Leaders: Janet Lestock, Vicki Harmon, Kay Brooks

4:00 – 4:06 Welcome and Board/Committee Chair Conversation

4:06 Business Meeting is called to Order -- Irene

LWV Oath Recited

Approve Agenda

Unanimous approval of the agenda. One addition: add discussion on the Readers' Theater

Approve Minutes

Unanimous approval of the minutes for the February 18, 2025, meeting. Edited version was sent this afternoon.

Membership

Current Membership: 96

Current Business

Events to add to Planning Calendar – Add June 21, 2025, for 2025 Valley Wide Pride Event in Hudson.

Immigration Forum April 8 – The speaker has a conflict and may do the presentation via Zoom; Barb is talking with another attorney who can give the presentation in person. Barb will know for certain on Friday.

Nominations Committee Update – Irene referred everyone to the annual meeting agenda. All officer slots are filled with nominations.

Annual Meeting April 27 – Irene referred everyone to the annual meeting agenda.

- We will have a budget to present.
- Kris will create slides that contain Committee reports; slides will run during the meeting. Chairs are to get their information to Kris by April 5.
- Recommended handouts for attendees:
 - Vicki has a questionnaire for about the Readers' Theater;

- 2025-2026 Proposed Budget; Member List,
- List of officers with contact information,
- LWV Oath,
- Annual Report, available on website.

Create an email for members to share information – Kay and Evanne asked for the topic to be tabled.

LWVUS Federal Judiciary Study/Survey – Beth proposed we have a meeting that accommodates the review team’s schedule. We will email the membership inviting everyone to join if interested.

Foundational Structure Reorganization – Katrina and the Committee have had one productive meeting. and are moving forward.

Unanimous agreement to cancel Board Meeting on April 15.

Old Business

Tami provided a written report on the dues structure change including the transition to new membership dues software called ChapterSpot required by the LWVUS. She recommended: Continue to delay re-routing of members to new system via website changes and resume reminders from our own (Mailchimp, as in 2024), starting with 1/12025.

Vicki reported she needs assistance to write the grant application for the Readers’ Theater. The deadline is in August.

Vicki is looking for additional readers for her presentation at the annual meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:09 pm.

Next Meeting – Annual Meeting April 27, 2025, Amery Community Center at 2:00 pm