

# League of Women Voters of St. Croix Valley

## **Board and Committee Chair Zoom Meeting Minutes**

July 15, 2025, 4:00-5:00 pm via Zoom

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Board Members Present: Kathy Streitz, Kris Surbaugh, Beth Wood, Barb Katt, Evanne Hunt, Katrina Larsen, Kay Brooks, Edna Early, Vicky Harmon,

**4:00 – 4:10 Welcome and Conversation**

**4:30 Business Meeting is called to Order**

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**LWV Oath:** *"We do solemnly swear that we will empower voters and defend our democracy. That we will faithfully execute our civic responsibility as nonpartisan advocates. We do this fearlessly, reflectively, and collectively. We act from a place of hope and collective power. We affirm that we will work to provide democracy education and election administration support, restore and defend voting rights protections, abolish the Electoral College, protect democracy organizations and fight for reproductive freedoms. We will not be deterred from these tasks. So, join us to protect life, liberty, freedom and justice."*

### **Approve Agenda**

Unanimous approval of the agenda with two additions: Unite and Rise initiative, captain request; SAVE Act Teach-In, ask members who attend to bring a plate of cookies.

### **Approve Minutes**

Unanimous approval of June 17, 2025, minutes.

### **Financials**

Katrina Larsen

### **Current Business**

- Proposed LWV SCV Budget for 2025-2026

Katrina Larsen reported as of July 14, there was \$17,961.70 in our checking account. \$8,300 is being encumbered for the Per Member Payment (PMP) coming in August and the payment we owe National for members coming in through our website. That leaves \$9,661.70.

There is \$7,940 of expenses budgeted leaving \$1,721.70 as a cushion as we start a new fiscal year..

Katrina Larsen shared the budget at the annual meeting; she received no feedback.

Unanimous approval of the budget.

- Non-Partisan Policy Table of Guidance

Katrina Larsen reported that the committee continues to work on the guidance document. No policy changes are planned. Unanimous approval of the Table of Guidance.

- Member Services

Kathy Streitz & Katrina Larsen reported they have been working on our membership list. There is still some hesitation about the exact number of members.

They are also working on a new membership form, focusing on listing interests that may attract new members.

- Summer Picnics

Vicki Harmon reported on the two picnics scheduled for August. Dates are on the website calendar and includes the flyer. She asked board members to bring one bottle of wine to the picnics. There is \$100 in the budget to reimburse expenses.

- Update on transition to ChapterSpot and LWV SCV website fixes

Tami Halcomb did not attend but sent a report. Katrina reported that the Gravity Forms is still an issue. Barb asked for a note to be added to the website; Evanne will add a note and suggest everyone use the paper copy.

- Board Discussion: Non-Partisan Partnerships/Collaborations/Opportunities: e.g., GROWW, Project 3.5, Indivisible, etc. How much can we take on? How do we decide?

Discussion ensued. We want to be strategic with our efforts and resources. The Guide is meant to help people know what they can say and do when meeting the public.

- Additions to Calendar

No additions.

- Unite and Rise initiative, captain request - see the newsletter for details.

- SAVE Act Teach-In, Kris will send a reminder email and ask members who attend to bring a plate of cookies.

**Adjourned Meeting at 5:11 pm**

**Next Board Meeting:**

August 19, 2025, 4:00 – 5:00 pm via Zoom