

League of Women Voters of St. Croix Valley

Board and Committee Chair Meeting Minutes

June 17, 2025, 4:00 p.m. — 6:00p.m. at Champs Bar, New Richmond

Board Members Present: Irene Bugge, Beth Wood, Kate Manecke, Evanne Hunt, Kris Surbaugh, Patty Van Nevel, Barb Katt, Edna Early,

Others present: Katrina Larsen, Kathy Streitz, Vicki Harmon, Tami Holcomb, Nancy Stewart, Janet Ellinger, Kay Brooks, Janet LeStock

4:00 – 4:30 Welcome and Social Time

4:30 – 5:30 Business Meeting is called to Order

LWV Oath Recited

Approve Agenda

Unanimous approval of the agenda with these additions:

- Los Amigos program
- [Suff the Musical](#)

Approve Minutes

Unanimous approval of the minutes for the May 20 meeting.

Financials – Kate Manecke reported on the profit and loss statement. Attached at end of these minutes.

Membership

Current Membership: 104. Another person has joined; we are waiting for the paperwork.

Current Business

- 100 Women Who Care –Barb reported they have a good first draft proposal. This is an opportunity to apply for a \$10K grant. Deadline is July 25. Area is Polk and Burnett counties.

She asked the Board to reexamine the Vote411 program; should it be included in the proposal? Consensus was no, Vote411 is not a good use of the money.
- Non-Partisan Policy – Katrina reported on the updated policy. The update is ready for review by the membership.

- Transition to ChapterSpot and LWV SCV website fixes – Tami reported the website problems should be fixed. Transition still has problems. Our League continues to use the LWVSCV League website for renewals and new members.
- Summer Picnic. Consensus was a get together was important. Consensus was to plan a picnic in a centrally located public park. Plan to reach out to Carolyn and see if she and Vicki Harmon would take the lead on organizing.
- Los Amigos program – Edna reported that our League supports this program. Actions we will do are listed on the handout attached to the end of the minutes.
- [Suff the Musical](#) – Beth asked if we are interested in group tickets. Consensus was to let people go on their own rather than organize a group. Show is April 11 & 12, 2026 at the Orpheum.
- August 26: 19th Amendment Rally with 3.5 – Beth reported that 3.5 wants to work with our League on a rally about the SAVE Act on July 29. They also want to collaborate on a rally on August 26 about the 19th Amendment. More information is coming and details will be in the Newsletter.
- 2026 Planning/prioritizing meeting in November – Consensus was to combine the November board meeting with a planning meeting.
- Irene led everyone in thanking outgoing Board Members and Committee Chairs: Kate Manecke (Treasurer), Patty VanNevel (Director at Large and Co-Chair Voter Services), Rita Kearns (Director at Large and Co-Chair Voter Services) Nancy Stewart (Budget Committee Chair).

Old Business

None

Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Next Meeting

July 15, 2025, 4:00 – 5:00 pm – Welcome New Board, Approve 2025-2026 Budget

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Profit and Loss by Tag Group

July 1, 2024 - June 16, 2025

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Donations	
Individual	5,586.32
Other	4,737.13
Total Donations	10,323.45
Membership dues	5.00
Donation	30.00
Local Dues	508.27
State/National Dues	4,139.13
Total Membership dues	4,682.40
PayPal Sales	111.90
Total Revenue	\$15,117.75
GROSS PROFIT	\$15,117.75
Expenditures	
Administrative	
Computer/Web	598.70
Entertainment Meals Gifts	231.15
Legal Fee/Insurance Prem.	400.00
National/State Membership Dues	3,875.00
Office/General Administrative Expenditures	210.00
PayPal Fees	-2.31
Postage/Copies	55.83
Room Rental	200.00
Total Administrative	5,568.37
Member Services Committee	
Advertising	83.44
Printing	202.54
Total Member Services Committee	285.98
Printing/Copying	38.95
Program Services	
Booth Fee	50.00
Speaker Gift/Fee	450.00
Total Program Services	500.00
Voter Services Committee	
Copies	73.18
Postage	232.00
Signs	549.98
Supplies	1,193.64
Total Voter Services Committee	2,048.80
Total Expenditures	\$8,442.10
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$6,675.65
NET REVENUE	\$6,675.65

Cash Basis Monday, June 16, 2025 06:13 PM GMT-05:00

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An Introduction to the LOS AMIGOS PROGRAM

Some of our members have become aware of an effort called "Los Amigos Program."

This program supports immigrant families in our area who are food insecure and need assistance with various household items. Right now the program is working with 100+ families (800+ persons). The League of Women Voters promotes that we locally connect and partner with pro-immigrant groups by co-hosting events, fundraising, information sharing and more. The following information explains how you can support this program financially as well as with specific household items.

Any questions? Contact **Janet Ellinger (612.817.9742)** or **Edna Grotjahn Early (651.269.3408)**.

1. **Send checks to: St. Croix Valley Food Bank, PO Box 377, Hudson, WI 54016. Write Los Amigos Program in the memo!**
The preferred amount is \$25/30, (as \$25 a month can feed a family of four) with the option of making your donation recurring.
2. **\$25/30 cash cards from Adli's.** These individuals feel comfortable and safe going in Aldi's stores. **Send Aldi's cards to Petrona Melgarejo 1093 County Road. N, Roberts, WI 54023.**
3. **Household items are needed.** These items will change frequently.
FIRST! All items must be photographed and sent to **Petrona's cell: 612-655-2298.**
SECOND! The items need to be delivered and your help (and/or a friends) is greatly appreciated. Many of the people we serve do not have vehicles.
THIRD! Confidentially the recipient's address is sent to you if you are making the delivery.
FOURTH! Be discreet in conversations with others, respecting the privacy of the recipients.