

Minutes of Annual Meeting

May 18, 2019

League of Women Voters of Collin County



Mission: Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

Vision: We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.

Meeting start time: 12:05 pm

Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 3623 Preston Rd, Frisco, TX 75034

Attendance: 22 members, 4 guests

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Ruth McGuffey. A quorum was confirmed by Secretary Nancy Worst. No changes were proposed for the agenda.

Welcome

Attendees were welcomed by President Ruth McGuffey.

Minutes

Ruth McGuffey proposed that the minutes for the 2019 Annual meeting be approved at the June board meeting. There were no objections.

Motion to Join the LWVTX 501(c)3 Group Exemption

The board had approved a motion to join the LWVTX 501(c)3 group exemption but a vote is required by the membership. Jocelyn Tiner made a motion that joining the exemption be approved. As this had been voted on by the board no second was necessary. The motion carried by voice vote. The board will prepare an application to join the group exemption in the next month.

Proposed Bylaws Amendments

Proposed bylaw changes are needed to make our bylaws consistent with requirements for the group exemption, specific name changes, and to specify that the President may not serve as or perform the duties of the Secretary. President Ruth McGuffey made a motion to accept the proposed bylaw changes. After discussion, the changes were approved by a show of hands.

Treasurer's Report and Proposed Budget

Jocelyn Tiner, Treasurer, reviewed the fiscal report for 2018-2019 and the proposed budget for 2019-2020. The Treasurer made a motion that the proposed budget be accepted. Following discussion, the 2019-2020 proposed budget was approved by voice vote without opposition.

Proposed New Local Programs

Charlotte McKenzie, 1st VP of Programs, presented the two programs voted on by the board: Public Transportation in Collin County and Affordable Housing in Collin County. Public forums are to be held on the topics. Holly Nichols proposed adoption of the two programs for fiscal year 2019-2020. Sharon Hirsch seconded the motion. Both programs were approved by the membership by voice vote.

Additional possible program ideas were discussed but no action was taken.

Nominating Committee Report

Sharon Hirsch presented the slate of proposed officers and board members from the Nominating Committee. They are as follows:

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| President | Ruth McGuffey |
| 1 st Vice President, Programs | Charlotte McKenzie |
| 2 nd Vice President, Voters Service | Janice Schieffer |
| Secretary | Nancy Worst |
| Treasurer | Jocelyn Tiner |

Directors (5 to be elected)

Jacqueline Fleschman
Mary Alice Garza
Sharon Goldgar
Melissa Kenfield
Holly Nichols

Sharon Hirsch moved that the proposed slate of officers be approved. No additional nominations were received from the floor. Slate of officers and board directors was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Accomplishments and Plans

President Ruth McGuffey reviewed the memo delineating accomplishments of the organization during 2018-2019 that was attached to the Annual Meeting Agenda.

Committee reports were given by Janet Imhoff (Membership), Janice Schieffer (Voter Services), Charlotte McKenzie (Programs), Janet Imhoff (State Programs), Holly Nichols (2019 Luncheon), Jeanette Kelley (2020 Luncheon). The 2020 luncheon will be 3/28 at Stonebridge Country Club. Ruth noted that 2020 is the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. The luncheon theme will be related to that anniversary and the 100th anniversary of the founding of the League.

Share Your Ideas

Members were invited to share their ideas for 2019-2020. The following ideas were contributed:

- An update on 2019 legislative changes should be given for members in September (Mary Alice Garza).
- In order to expand the group, we should challenge members to recruit new members (Sharon Hirsch).
- We should go back to the wine tasting place (Holly Nichols).
- We should combine the wine tasting with a talk from the person who gave the women's suffrage talk at the Allen Library.
- The state league will have a meeting in San Antonio in October to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the LWVTX. It will be at the same hotel as the original Texas League meeting, the St Anthony's Hotel.
- The DFW Regional Housing Consortium will have its second quarterly meeting on Jun 5th, 11:30, at the Collin College Preston Ridge Campus in Frisco (Mary Alice Gatz).

Close

Ruth McGuffey gave a thank you to all for braving the weather to attend the meeting, and a thank you to the Officers and Directors for their service. The 2019 Annual Meeting was closed at 1:22 pm.