



WATCHDOG

Annual Meeting and Convention Edition

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

DATE: Monday, May 14, 2018

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: Bob and Marcia Harris' Home – 6075 Spring Canyon Road

WHO: Everyone

DINNER: Catered – Cost of \$20

Please let Terri or Marcia know if you can attend so we get an accurate count.

Our League has shown some excellent progress this year and broadened into arenas we have never thought of in the past. The Annual Meeting gives us a chance to socialize and plan for the next year. We need everyone involved in planning and helping us continue to improve. Please mark your calendar and come. Your opinion is very important!!

The next few pages contain the minutes of last year's Annual Meeting, the Current and Proposed Budget, and the Nominating Committee report. We will discuss and approve them at the meeting, so take a minute and look them over.

COME MEET OUR INTERN AND STUDENTS FROM WEBER STATE CHAPTER!!



STATE CONVENTION INFORMATION

May 11-12, 2018

The Salt Lake League is sponsoring state convention this year. They have an interesting agenda and you can attend both activities or just one. **Register by May 3 at lwvutah.org.**

THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAN ATTEND AND VOTE AT CONVENTION – EVERYONE IS INVITED.

On **Friday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m.**, the Salt Lake League will host an evening at the historic Peery Hotel with former KUTV Channel 2 reporter Rod Decker. There will be a cash bar followed by dinner. Tickets are \$36.

Following that, on **Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**, the Convention will meet in the Utah State Capitol Board Room. Continental breakfast will be provided by the Salt Lake League. The \$27 fee for convention includes a box lunch. Jen Christensen, Political Outreach Coordinator for Better Days 2020, will join us for a special lunchtime presentation about their activities leading up to the 2020 anniversary of women's suffrage -- including an update on sending Martha to Washington.

Hard copies of the program will be available for order for \$5.

You must register by May 3, 2018.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

First Vice-President – Patti Ehle

Second Vice President – Leah Murray

Secretary – Gail Meakins (1 year term)

Treasurer – Carole Lapine and Evelyn Bertilson



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WEBER COUNTY
ANNUAL MEETING
April 10, 2017
Zucca's Restaurant

Present: Terri McCulloch, Susan Skordos, Marilyn O'Dell, Evelyn Bertilson, Leah Murray, Marcia Harris, Margaret Rostkowski, Eloise Runolfson, Lynnda Wangsgard, Karen Burton, Linda Mitchell, Suzanne Dawson, Arlene Anderson, Lynn Carroll, Carole Lapine, Angela Choberka, Lou Shurtliff, Patti Ehle, Roberta Glidden, Marcia Thomas

Minutes from 2015 Meeting

There were no changes to the meeting minutes from the April 11, 2016 annual meeting. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

Budget

Marilyn O'Dell presented the Treasurer's Report. She reviewed the financial statement information.

The 2017-2018 proposed budget was reviewed and approved. The only item not included in the budget is an estimated \$350 for our share of the state cost for tax attorney services.

Marilyn said our Chapter currently is organized under two non-profit designations, 501(c)(3) and a 501(c)(4). The 501(c)(4) designation was established to cover lobbying activities, but the League does very limited lobbying and the State Chapter has encouraged all Utah chapters to do away with 501(c)(4) accounts. We agreed to move our Education Fund Balance, which is currently in a 501(c)(4) account, into our 501(c)(3) checking account. We also agreed to move our savings account balance into the checking account. After these changes are made, we will have one 501(c)(3) account for the Chapter.

Nominating Committee

Marcia Harris, chair of the Nominating Committee, reported on new officer nominations, including:

Third Vice President - Sarah Lovato
Secretary - Patty Ehle
Co-Treasurer - Carole Lapine (one-year term) (disburses)

New officers were accepted by acclamation. All other officers will remain in their positions, including:

President - Terri McCulloch
First Vice President - Karen Burton
Second Vice President - Leah Murray
Co-Treasurer - Evelyn Bertilson (receives)

2017 Convention

Our Chapter will host the 2017 State Convention on April 28 and 29th. Terri provided a handout with information about the convention. **There is no limit to the number of people who can attend and vote at the Convention. Everyone is invited.** The cost is \$35 for both days. For dinner on Friday, the cost is \$25. For Saturday, the cost is \$10.

The April 28th meeting will be at the Weber County Southwest Branch Library beginning at 6:15 p.m. There will be a tour of the Library led by Sarah Lovato. After the tour, there will be a catered dinner by the Union Grill at the Library and a presentation about the electoral college by Leah Murray and Tom Kruehls. Then the group will go to Historic 25th Street for drinks.

The meeting on April 29th will be at the Ogden Nature Center in the Visitor Center Discovery Room. Breakfast will be served at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will directly follow breakfast. Lunch will also be provided.

Program Ideas for Next Year

Terri asked for program ideas for next year. The following suggestions were made:

- Global warming
- Voter apathy
- Public lands
- Redistricting
- Information about current ballot and bond initiatives like the state income tax increase
- Uniform police force
- Etiquette with public officials
- Food tax
- Ogden School District bond initiative
- Liquor laws
- Grazing rights on public lands
- Information about primaries
- Legislative wrap-up
- Weber County Commission reorganization
- Women's issues and legislative changes that will impact women

Increasing Attendance at Meetings

Terri asked for suggestions for increasing attendance at next year's meetings. We discussed moving meetings to a different night. After the discussion, it was agreed to keep holding meetings on the second Monday of the month. We also agreed that Saturday morning consensus meetings work well.

We agreed to keep sending postcards with the list of dates and programs for our meetings.

We also discussed using Facebook and Twitter to advertise meetings. It was suggested that we schedule a meeting to train League members about how to use Facebook and Twitter.

We will keep using the phone tree for contacting members to remind them about meetings, though this has had mixed results. Leah Murray said she sends an email instead of calling people.

Announcements/Comments

There were several announcements.

Terri said there will be a mixer in May for chapter members. No date or location has been decided, but she will send out the information.

On May 5, there will be a program on the role of science in democracy at Weber State University.

Union Station will be starting a speaker series.

Overview of the Year Report

Terri read the 2016-2017 report for our chapter. A copy is attached. Here are the highlights:

We have increased our voter registration activities a great deal this past year thanks to Leah Murray and Margaret Rostkowski. Our chapter gained new members and continued to monitor the Weber County Commission. We are very fortunate to have intelligent and motivated members who are the reason we enjoy the success we do.

Program highlights included presentations on air quality by Marion Horna; intergeneration poverty by Mike Vaughan; a partisan State School Board by Ann Milner; a tour of the Roy Library by Sarah Lovato; an election wrap-up by Leah Murray; and highlights of the Utah legislative session. We also reached consensus on the state Public Defense Study at our February meeting. And we had a holiday social at the home of Marcia and Bob Harris in December.

Other

Marcia Harris thanked Terri for her great work serving as President of the Chapter. She presented Terri with a gift bag, including two books and a gift card for our local bookstore. Evelyn Bertilson presented Terri with several pots of herbs.

Terri thanked us all for our participation in the Chapter and gave each of us a solar power flower.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m. **Submitted by Marcia**

Weber Country League of Woman Voters Financial Report and Budget

4/4/2018	3/31/2017 - 4/4/2018	3/31/2017 - 4/4/2018	2018 - 2019
	Budgeted	Actual	Proposed Budget
Expenditures			
Annual Meeting	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Boards and Committees			
Meetings/luncheons	\$0.00	\$50.24	\$50.00
Corporation Renewal	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Voter Education	\$50.00	\$400.00	\$500.00
State Convention Expense	\$100.00	\$1,491.00	\$100.00
Meeting Rental	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
501C Fees	\$0.00	\$263.00	\$263.00
LWVUT PMP dues	\$330.00	\$280.00	\$340.00
LWVUS PMP dues	\$1,056.00	\$896.00	\$1,088.00
Printing (Alpha Graphics)	\$0.00	\$137.19	\$400.00
Gifts/Donations	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Internship WSU	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Study Publications	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Expenditures	\$1,676.00	\$3,677.43	\$3,101.00
Income			
Convention Reimbursement	\$0.00	\$922.69	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$206.31	\$1,571.00
Dues	\$1,485.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,530.00
501 3C Refund	\$263.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$1,748.00	\$1,736.31	\$3,101.00
3/31/2018			
Checking Account	\$3,978.74		
Education Fund		\$1,504.32	
Savings Account	\$652.88		
Total Cash Available	\$4,631.62		

