

LWVNM Board Meeting

May 17, 2014

Santa Fe Hilton

Minutes

Attendance: Meredith Machen, Andrea Targhetta, Lee Lockie, Barbara Calef, Cheryl Haaker, Dick Mason, and guests

1. President Meredith Machen called the meeting to order
2. The proposed agenda was approved
3. The Board minutes from the April 5, 2014, meeting were approved
4. Voter Guide questions for the candidates are due to Meredith by July 10th
5. Dick Mason will be coordinating the candidate forums for Attorney General, Secretary of State Treasurer, and Auditor. Invites go out June 4th just after the primary for the forums which will be held in September.
6. There was a discussion of the 2014 LWVUS Convention that will be held in Dallas June 6-10 Campaign Finance is the recommended study. Human trafficking is recommended for concurrence. There is a challenge to the Board proposed slate – A group of members are putting forth the President of the LWVFL for LWVUS President.
7. The LWVUS is paying for a table at the NOW Convention that is being held in Albuquerque June 27-29. Dick Mason is coordinating volunteers for the table.
8. There was discussion of some of the Directions to the Board from the Council meeting (see below)
9. The meeting was adjourned.

Directions to the Board from Council Attendees

1. La Palabra (LP) – When sending out electronically, consider providing a list of the most crucial articles in the cover e-mail with an easily clickable link to the electronic article in the attached LP so that readers can get to the articles of most interest to them.
2. Limit the number of issues that that the League participates in in order to focus on those most critical.
3. Consider changing the name of the LWV to appeal to both sexes
4. Consider asking for financial support for a paper version of La Palabra (LP) from both members and legislators. Should determine the true cost of producing & mailing a paper LP.
5. Determine what gives LWV the publicity that leads to support/membership. What role is played by activities, newsletters, Voters Guide, etc.?
6. Could we follow the natural resources concurrence process to adopt a position on infant mental health and prenatal care?
7. Continue efforts to get the MVD to follow the National Voter Registration Act – assisting people with voter registration. This is especially bad in small counties like Los Alamos.

Submitted by Dick Mason, Approved by Board on 7/19/14