

**Monthly Board Meeting Minutes  
December 2021**

Meeting Date:	December 6, 2021	Meeting Location:	Google Meet Link
Meeting Time:	7:00 - 8:00 P.M.	Next Meeting	January 3, 2022 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

In attendance: Courtney Winell, Carolyn Sturgis, Teri Chaplin, Kristin Brace, Paula Manley, Karen DeVries, Chris Van Eyl, Kathi Harris, Laurel Horman, Joan Long, Karen Joseph

Agenda Item	Presenter	Notes
Approval of Previous Month's Minutes	Courtney / Kristin	Discussion and approval of meeting minutes from November 2021 meeting Carolyn motioned to pass, Teri seconded. Approved.
Website Update	Teri/Carolyn	Update on current status of LWVGGRA website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Teri and Carolyn are waiting to hear back from the person working on our site and will follow up.</li> </ul> Integration for online payments will be essential for accepting donations moving forward.
Financial Report	Carolyn	Expenses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Carolyn will reimburse herself and Karen this week. No other expenses this month.</li> </ul> Income <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o No mail or donations as of last Sunday (there is a check coming from Kristin).</li> </ul> Checking Account Balance \$8,771.94
Membership Report	Courtney/Teri	3 new members during the month of November  Membership count is 56 members  Membership renewal letters sent. Follow up letters to be sent to those that have not renewed. We will also share about the awkward timing of our unit taking over dues request letter

		that resulted in some people being asked to renew shortly after paying the previous year's dues.
Fundraising Committee Report	Karen	<p>Fundraising Committee met on 11/17</p> <p>Chipotle fundraiser on 12/15 from 4-8 pm, 28th St location</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Use code when ordering online or show flyer or mention the League in person and we'll get 33% of the sales</li> </ul> <p>In January, we'll have a CustomInk fundraiser - people can buy League gear</p> <p>In February, we'll have a fundraiser through Schuler Books spanning the anniversary of the League.</p>
Voter Services and 411 Report	Elianna	<p>Elianna not present.</p> <p>Courtney had cards made up with QR code that leads to SOS site so people can check registration status, sign up for absentee ballots, etc. We should take some to the Chipotle fundraiser so members can take some to hand out to personal contacts.</p>
Voting Equipment Testing Recap	Courtney	<p>Report compiled of observation of voting equipment testing ahead of the November election. Courtney is working on a presentation.</p> <p>Some locations could have better practices - lock up machines, have others present for testing, etc. Courtney and Teri will make these recommendations.</p>
MDW Grant Update	Courtney	<p>Planning to schedule informational town hall in January using the materials provided by LWVMI.</p> <p>Will be inviting local election officials to participate in the conversation.</p> <p>Karen and Courtney recently met with Tina Porzondek and asked if she'd participate in the town hall. She also suggested asking Gerrid.</p> <p>Will be virtual.</p>
November Volunteer Recap	Courtney	No events held during the month of November.
Dues Assistance/Scholarship	Elianna	Tabled until next month.

<p>Upcoming Events/Planning</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Coordinating with LWV Holland Area to plan an event.</p> <p>MDW 2021 Grant Presentation – January</p> <p>Working with LWV Great Lakes Area ILO to hold a virtual event in February.</p> <p>Paula shared that Leagues do program planning in January - look at LWVUS positions (State positions on off years); look at League Management section on LWVUS website</p>
<p>Additional Items and Open Forum</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Teri will put together a formal comparison between Google Meets and Zoom; so far, GM is \$6 cheaper.</p> <p>Kathi shared:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PROACTIVE is working on a Decline to Sign initiative to help people understand why they don't have to sign the Secure MI Vote petition. She's getting t-shirts, etc.</li> <li>- Voting Access for All - last meeting is a lunch, Kathi will share link, they meet 12:30 every Friday.</li> <li>- Will share a report on the outcome of the survey about the voting process for inmates.</li> </ul> <p>LWVMI and three plaintiffs are suing the apportionment committee for the maps that were created.</p>
<p>Holiday Celebration</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>Pour a glass of your favorite beverage and grab a snack as we toast to our success during 2021 and celebrate the Holiday season!</p> <p>Motion to end the meeting, seconded, adjourned.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>		<p>Monday, January 3 at 7 pm via Google Meets</p>