League of Women Voters

Fremont Newark and Union City

Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 9, 2019

The Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of Fremont, Newark, and Union City was held at the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose in Fremont, California on June 9, 2019. A breakfast was held beforehand and Alameda County District Attorney Nancy O'Malley was the keynote speaker. DA O'Malley gave a very engaging presentation on Alameda County's vision for being a crime free county by 2026. The path to realizing this vision includes Restorative Justice, use of Navigation Centers that include mental health services, keeping communities safe while holding people accountable for their actions, breaking the prison pipeline, and investing in people to be re-entered into their communities.

The business meeting was called to order by President Syeda Inamdar at 11:15 a.m. She introduced the current LWVFNUC board members. Board member Alex Starr was introduced as the Parliamentarian for the day.

The credentials report was given by Evelyn LaTorre. Thirty members were in attendance which exceeds the minimum 15% required to establish a quorum of the 107 total membership.

Rules of the day as presented in the Call to Annual Meeting Packet were adopted by voice vote. There were no objections nor abstentions.

The Order of business was adopted by voice vote. Members Jane Mueller, Holly Bell-Walter, and Kay Emanuele will review the minutes of this meeting for additions or corrections. There were no objections nor abstentions.

Syeda gave the President's report. In the 2018-2019 fiscal year the LWVFNUC produced the Voter Information Booklet (VIB), registered youth to vote in coordination with the Register of Voters and the high schools, held community forums, sent delegates to the State Convention, and planned activities for the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment. In addition, League members participated in and supported the youth led Parkland Voter Movement (PVM). Youth leader Michael Dunkle was awarded a scholarship to the State Convention for his leadership in the local PVM. Julie Dunkle, parent leader in the local PVM also attended and gave a workshop on their local experience and how to engage youth to register and to vote. Both Julie and Michael have been nominated for a National Award for their success with PVM.

Peter Starr gave the Treasurer's Report for FY 2018-19 and proposed budget for FY 2019-20. The revenue for FY 2018-19 is higher than proposed for FY2019-20 because of the VIB income. The next VIB will be in the FY2020-2021 budget. The current year ended with a \$9,000 surplus between budgeted income and expenses which is carried into FY 2019-20 as assets. The budget for FY 2019-2020 includes \$5,000 for the 100th Anniversary expenses. Local businesses will be asked for donations. The proposed budget for FY 2019-20 also includes \$1,000 donation to the 19th Amendment Memorial which is being put together by the LWVUS in Washington, D.C. Peter made a motion to approve the board

recommended report and proposed budget for FY2019-20. A second to the motion was not required because the motion was from the board committee. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Carolyn Hedgecock reported on the recommended program for FY 2019-20. She gave a brief history on how positions are taken and used on the local, regional, state and federal levels. She then proposed readoption of the current positions which are found in the member handbook. The Program Planning Committee also proposed three issues for emphasis in FY 2019-20 which are: 1) Housing /Sheltered/ Unsheltered; 2) Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; and 3) Immigrant communities. Finally the members also recommend to the LWVC the following three issues: 1) Schools and Communities First Campaign – Proposition 13 Reform; 2) Climate Justice/Address Plastics; 3) Criminal Justice Reform. Carolyn made the motion to adopt the Program Planning Committee recommendations. No second to the motion was required because the motion was from a board committee. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Alex Starr gave the Action Committee report and provided an updated handout. Of priority in 2019-20 is the Schools and Communities First Campaign to reform proposition 13. It is expected to be a difficult campaign. Alex made a motion to adopt the Action Committee recommended priorities. The motion was seconded by Doug Ford (required because the recommendations were updated). There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Andrea Schacter gave the Nominating Committee report. The committee presented a slate of candidates for specific positions, however, there are still vacancies to fill. In addition, the President and Voter Service VP candidates each committed to serving the first year of the term only. Vacancies brought to the Annual Meeting for 2019-21 were 2 Director at Large positions and Historian. Vacancies for FY 2018-20 were 1 Director at Large position. Nominations were taken from the floor. Evelyn LaTorre was nominated and agreed to run for one of the Director at Large positions for FY 2019-21. Michael Dunkle was nominated and agreed to run for the vacant Director at Large position for FY 2018-20. Alex Starr made a motion to accept the nominations as amended and the motion was seconded by John Smith. The motion passed. The Board of Directors membership is:

President	Syeda Inamdar	2019-21
Admin VP	Miriam Keller	2018-20
Voter Svc VP	Sets Amann	2019-21
Program VP	Martha Kreeger	2018-20
Secretary	Mary Miller	2019-21
Treasurer	Peter Starr	2018-20
Voter Editor	Alex Starr	2019-21
Membership	Amy Gunnarson	2019-21
Publicity	Judy Chong	2019-21
Publicity	Shirley Gilbert	2018-20

Historian	vacant	2019-21
Dir at Large	Ellen Culver	2018-20
Dir at Large	Carolyn Hedgecock	2018-20
Dir at Large	Michael Dunkle	2018-20
Dir at Large	Evelyn LaTorre	2019-21
Dir at Large	vacant	2019-21

Syeda asked for Advice to the Board. Holly Bell-Walter recommended that when registering youth, they be given a post card to address to themselves which we can then mail out close to election time to remind them to vote. Alex made the announcement that attendees at the State Convention expressed admiration for the success of our local youth led PVM.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15

Mary Miller

Secretary