



Annual Meeting
April 26, 2018, 6:30 - 8:30, Winter Park University Club

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Carol Davis at 7:18 PM

Welcome – Carol Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary's Report – Sandi Vidal

Sandi called for any updates to the last year minutes.

Having none, Adrienne Katz made a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Ann Helmuth seconded.

Motion Passed. All in favor.

Treasurers Report – Leslie Feinberg

Our net income is \$3083.

The expenses were less by \$1500.

Membership renewals have been slower.

There is a revenue of \$35,000 for Hot Topics.

The budget was offset by \$5,000 in unplanned revenue thanks to Leaguers in Action (LIA)

Higher Per Member Payment (PMP)

This year we supported the Florida League.

Our merchant costs were higher.

We now have a new website.

We did increased attendance and have greater event participation.

Added new categories for membership.

While we exceeded our budget, we ran under on expenses.

The budget for 2018-2019 \$90,029 (see budget)

LIA raise revenue by over \$4000

Adopt a precinct - we expect \$2800 revenue

LIA – expenses will increase for additional events

Increase in education expenses

\$3100 subtracted from PMP- reduced membership

No new committees, but budgets will be maintained

Added Her Story

Student memberships are now free

Approve 2018-2019 Budget

There was a motion to accept the 2018-2019 budget made by Michelle Levy.

It was seconded by Sara Rich.

Motion passed- all in favor.

Presentation of LWVOC 2018-19 Program – Leesa Bainbridge

Carol Davis gave highlights:

2nd chance campaign will be on the ballot

Thank you to the Government committee- we will have a caucus about open primaries at the National meeting

Leaguers in Action – we are getting calls from all over about what we are doing.

Committees are Action Groups- our groups are building coalitions including First Fifty, and we are working towards all sustainable energy

Affordable Housing and Quality of Life is our new committee.

We will be working with the state on poverty and children's issues.

Vote on Program- Leesa Bainbridge

1. Voter Services
2. Gun Safety
3. Natural Resources
4. Education
5. Affordable Housing
6. Government

7. Juvenile Justice
8. Transportation
9. Health Care

A motion was made to accept the 2018-2019 program by Theo Webster.

It was seconded by Gene Stoccardo

Motion passed- all in favor.

Presentation of Proposed Bylaw Changes – Patricia Grierson

We have simplified language, changed things to what we are doing, reformatted, putting into new categories.

A motion was made to accept the Bylaw changes as presented by Andrea Kobrin

It was seconded by Barbara Knappe

Motion passed- all in favor.

Presentation of Officer Slate– Terry Gillam

There was a call for any nominations from the tables. None were made.

Terry Gillam presented the new slate:

Leesa Bainbridge – Co- President

Gloria Pickar- Co-President

Pay Grierson – First Vice President

Reanna Stout- Second Vice President

Karen Estrin- Treasurer

Sandi Vidal- Secretary

Directors:

Andrea Kobrin, Barbara Granade, Theo Webster, Margaret Stewart, Sara Rich, Christine Bramuchi, Angela Melvin, Carmen Torres

Nominating Committee:

Terry Gillam- Chair

Elizabeth Bosserman

Brenda Alston

Ann Helmuth made a motion to accept the slate of directors.

Sandra Powers seconded.

Motion passed- all in favor.

Terry introduced nominating committing- Barbara Granade, Dean Johnson, Marty Sullivan, Reanna Stout, and Terry Gilliam.

Leesa introduced Carol gave her kudos for her work with voters registration and all of the work she has done for the league. She gave Carol the President's award for service.

Keynote – Carol Davis

- Talked about the strong women who came before us
- Susan B Anthony
- Sojourner Truth
- Harriett Tubman
- There was a connection between the abolitionists and the league
- Spoke about Frederick Douglas as a friend of the league
- Women of the league were about gaining power through the vote for women
- Women demanded an amendment to the constitution
- The league was in the press because of Carrie Chapman
- Alice Paul- true grass roots activist- went to jail
- Influential women
- Ida B Wells-Barnett wrote books about the south- the Chicago league had her name put on a street
- Eleanor Roosevelt- fought for civil rights
- Talked about her civics and government teachers and the influence they had on making sure kids voted

Special Recognition

- Dean, Andrea, Ann
- Margaret Stewart
- Reanna Stout
- Maura Smith
- Saudi Ellis
- Ann Patton
- Lisa Adkins

Closing Comments – Presidents

Michele Levy- Orange County has been very prominent since 2006. Diedre McNabb made the league visible. Then there was Pam Goodman. Patti Brigham.

Talked about how Patti has made the Gun Violence Issue prominent.

Moving office to Orlando.

Patti gave rousing comments –

Shelby Pickar- read a statement from her grandmother Gloria Pickar.

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Sandi Vidal. Secretary

May 14, 2018