

Minutes of the 52nd Annual Meeting of LWVMHR May 24, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:15. A quorum was present (22 members). The president announced that in the absence of the Secretary, Lee Ridgway would take minutes. Lee Cane was announced as parliamentarian. The president asked approval for the annual meeting minutes to be approved by the Board at its next meeting, and it was granted.

Dorothy Winrow presented the Treasurer's report and the proposed budget. She noted that the actual fund-raising for this past year was low, resulting in a deficit of about \$800. As a result assets were down \$825. There were no questions. Margaret Sellers thanked Jim Mahoney and Dorothy for their work on the Budget Committee and moved that the budget be accepted. Shirley Kobran seconded the motion, and the budget was approved.

A number of changes to the LWVMHR bylaws were proposed and moved by Lee Ridgway.

- The first eliminated the requirement that half of the directors be elected each year. It was seconded by Renee Sachs and passed with 19 votes, no opposing.
- The second added the duty of reporting financial status to the Board to the duties of the Treasurer. Margaret Sellers seconded it and the motion passed with 21 votes, no opposing.
- The third called for enumeration of the duties of the Directors, replacing the generalized list. Ethel Little seconded it and the motion passed with 18 votes, no opposing.
- The fourth added the section on Distribution of Funds on Dissolution required by the state. Dare Thompson seconded it and the motion passed with 20 votes, no opposing.
- The fifth added general meetings to the requirement of fifteen members constituting a quorum at annual and consensus meetings. Renee Sachs seconded it, and the motion passed with 19 votes, no opposing.
- The sixth changed the time for nominating committee appointments by the Board to its next meeting instead of immediately following the election. Margaret Sellers seconded the motion and it passed with 20 votes, no opposing.
- The seventh clarified the time frame for action by the Nominating Committee to appoint a chairman, not a Board member. Shirley Kobran seconded the motion and it passed with 20 votes, no opposing.
- The eighth removed the word "proper" from the phrase "proper Board of Directors." Cindy Bell seconded the motion and it passed with 20 votes, no opposing.

Lee Ridgway moved that the standing rule "Persons joining the League on or after March 1st will be members through the following League year" be changed to set the date as February 1st. Shirley Kobran seconded it and the motion passed.

Lee Cane moved that the three extensions to local program (Ulster County Shared Services Study, Dutchess County Shared Services Study and Solid Waste Study) be adopted. Doug Thompson seconded it, and the motion passed.

Election results were:

Dare Thompson, President 2012-2014

Jean McGarry, Secretary 2012-2014

Esther Stickley, Cindy Bell, Cindy Lanzetta, Anne Needham, Margaret Sellers, and
Laura Walls; Directors 2012-2014

Jolanda Jansen, Director 2012-2013

Lee Cane, Kathy Germain, and Cynthia Lowe; Nominating Committee 2012-2013

Meeting adjourned 7:45 to listen to Hugh Reynolds speak.

Respectfully submitted, Lee Ridgway