



# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MAINE

## LWVME Board of Directors Meetings

Friday, May 19, 2017

Seminar Room, Curtis Memorial Library, 23 Pleasant Street, Brunswick, Maine

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Present: John Brautigam, Helen Hanlon, Barbara Kaufman, Ann Luther, Stephanie Philbrick, Jill Ward, Polly Ward, Cathie Whittenburg

Absent: Joanna Bowers, Linda Lord, Barbara McDade, Coleen Tucker

### Preliminaries

- Call to order – 3:45 p.m.
- Approval of Minutes from March Meeting. Ann Luther moved to approve minutes, Barbara Kaufman second. Unanimously approved.
- Note there were two email votes since last board meeting on by-laws change and 2017-2019 proposed program. Both were approved.
- Treasurer's Reports – Ann Luther reported on LWVME and the Downeast chapter. Polly Ward reported on Portland chapter. Reports filed for audit.

### Board Operations & Governance

- Convention update - We are pleased to note this is the largest registrations for Convention since 2003.
- LWVUS Council will be this June in D.C. Jill Ward will attend.
- MCCE request for \$500 Ed Fund support of Founding Father's Day Event w/Seth Waxman. . Polly Ward moved to ask the Ed Fund to approve this request. Barbara Kaufman second. Unanimously accepted.

### Committee Items

- Fundraising - A fundraising letter for LWVME C4 will go out next week detailing legislative acidity.
- Communications - There was no Spring Voter this year but there will be a Summer Voter in July.
- Advocacy – LWVME has joined with the Brennan Center on a FOIA request concerning the Trump Election Commission.
- Membership – Note the report in the Convention book.

### Coalition Partners Updates

- Alliance for Maine Women. Helen Hanlon noted that there were five representatives from LWVME at the Women's Day at the State House.

### Local League Development

- Portland – Barbara Kaufman reported on the chapter's annual meeting. She was pleased to note that Ann Luther received the Emily Farley Award.
- Downeast – No report.
- Brunswick – No report.
- Bangor – No report.

**Adjourn** - 5:13 p.m.