

# 2011 CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

*Please bring these four pages with you to the meeting.*

All members of the League of Women Voters of Berkeley, Albany & Emeryville are called to the Annual Meeting to approve a budget, adopt a program of study & action, elect a new Board of Directors to carry these out, and listen to a talk by journalist Peter Schrag.

**Thursday, May 26, 2011**

**5:00 to 8:30 pm**

**Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley**

## AGENDA

**5:00 Registration and greeting old and new friends**

**5:30 Buffet supper \***

**6:30 Speaker: journalist Peter Schrag on "How We Made the Mess and How We Might Fix It"**

**7:30 Call to Order . . . . . Sherry Smith, President**

- Introduction of Parliamentarian & Secretary
- Determination of Quorum & Adoption of Order of Business
- Accepting 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes
- Appointing committee to review 2011 minutes

Budget Report and Adoption . . . . . Tom Coulter, Budget Chair

Adopt Program and Local Support Positions. . . . . Ginette Polak, Program VP

Board's Summary Report of the Year . . . . . Sherry Smith, President

Introduction of Outgoing Board

Report of Nominating Committee . . . . . Sherry Smith, President

Election of 2011-2012 Officers and Board

Directions to New Board from Members

Presentation of Awards. . . . . Sherry Smith, President

**8:30 Adjournment**

\* The charge for supper is \$15. Please call the office -- 843-8824 --- by Friday, May 20, the last day to make a reservation. You may bring your own food. Please let us know if you would like a ride; we will be happy to arrange one for you.

**PROPOSED BUDGET 2011-2012**

<b>INCOME</b>		
Dues		<b>19,770</b>
Contributions		<b>7,000</b>
Community Lunch		<b>13,500</b>
Scrip		<b>40,000</b>
Product Sales		<b>100</b>
Program meetings		<b>1,200</b>
Contract Services		<b>1,000</b>
LWVB Foundation		<b>9,000</b>
Dividends - Money Market		<b>0</b>
Transfer from other assets		<b>6,431</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>98,001</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Per Member Payments (US, CA, BA)</b>		<b>13,835</b>
<b>Action</b>		<b>2,000</b>
<b>Program</b>		<b>2,000</b>
<b>Election Services</b>		<b>4,000</b>
<b>Convention subsidies</b>		<b>3,000</b>
<b>Smart Voter</b>		<b>500</b>
Administration		
Office Rent		11,316
Professional Fees, IRS 990		550
Insurance		800
Supplies, Copies & Postage		3,600
Phone, FAX, Internet		2,100
Computer Software & Supplies		600
other Taxes & Fees		500
Equip. Purchase & Maintenance		1,000
Board		100
<b>Total Administration</b>		<b>20,566</b>
<b>Voter Newsletter</b>		<b>5,500</b>
Development & Community Outreach		
Community Lunch		9,000
Scrip		37,500
Prod. Sales		100
<b>Total Development Expenses</b>		<b>46,600</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>98,001</b>

## PROGRAM

### The Board recommends:

- (1) Retain all current positions (see below).
- (2) Begin no new local study.
- (3) Emphasize the following for education and action:
  - Climate Change,
  - Health Care, and
  - Open Government

### SUMMARY OF LOCAL SUPPORT POSITIONS

(See complete "Local Support Positions" for details. It is available at the League office to members upon request, or at <http://lwvbae.org>)

**Local Government Structure:** Policies that promote effective, efficient, economical and visible local government, representative of and responsive to all citizens.

- A. City Charter and Elections
- B. Council-Manager Form of Government
- C. Open Meetings
- D. Board, Commissions, and Committees--Standing and Ad Hoc

**City Finances:** Policies that support a tax structure that is flexible, broad-based, equitable, economical, easy to administer, and capable of producing adequate revenue.

- A. City budget
- B. Revenue and taxation

**Planning:** Planning policies aimed at achieving and maintaining a healthy, safe and livable physical environment for a diverse population. There should be a balance of residential, commercial, industrial and institutional uses, a variety of densities and housing types, and programs to enlarge the economic base.

- A. Economic development
- B. Transportation
- C. Zoning
- D. Housing
- E. Rent control (Berkeley only)
- F. Infrastructure

**Local Government Services:** Basic city services and amenities for all residents based on an overall evaluation of needs and available resources.

- A. Recreation
- B. Library
- C. Health and Mental Health
- D. Services and resources for children and youth

**Education:** A system of public education which meets the needs of all children, efficiently organized and administered, and supported by adequate funds for operation and facilities.

- A. Elementary through High School
- B. Community College

**Social Policy:** Promotion of social justice by securing equal rights for all and providing services to meet special needs.

- A. Equal rights
- B. Senior citizens
- C. Juvenile justice

**Civics Education:** LWVBAE supports civics instruction as a priority in the K-12 public schools and school efforts to prepare all students to be informed, active citizens. Basic civic knowledge and skills should be taught at least by the end of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**SUPPORT POSITIONS OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

These positions have been voted on at the Annual Meeting of each of the Leagues of Alameda County. Changing or dropping one of these positions must be approved by five of the seven Leagues of Alameda County.

**The Board recommends:**

Retain current Alameda County positions on:

- Juvenile justice, and
- Children's mental health services
- Alameda Co. Board of Education & Alameda Co. Office of Education

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**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

*LWVBAE Board, Officers and Directors*

**Officers:**

President:	<b>Sherry Smith</b>
Recording Secretary:	<b>Angharad Jones</b>
Treasurer:	<b>Bill Chapman</b>
V.P. Administration:	<b>Diane Akers</b>
V.P. Membership:	<b>Jane Coulter</b>

**Directors:**

**Jane Barrett**  
**Jinky Gardner**  
**Helene Lecar**  
**Fran Packard**  
**Ginette Polak**  
**Gail Schickele**  
**Carol Stone**  
**Li-hsia Wang**  
**Phoebe Watts**

**Nominating Committee:** (search in progress)

Chair:  
 Member:  
 Member: