

2009 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 and Emeryville are called to the Annual Meeting to approve a budget, adopt a program of study and action, elect a new Board of Directors to carry out these decisions and to hear a talk by Linda Craig, LWVC Advocacy Director.

Thursday, June 4, 2009

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 Call to Order** Mim Hawley, Action VP
- Introduction of Parliamentarian & Secretary
 - Determination of Quorum & Adoption of Order of Business
 - Accepting 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes
 - Appointing committee to review 2009 minutes
- Budget Report and Adoption Tom Coulter, Budget Chair
- Adopt Program and Local Support Positions. Jean Safir, Program VP
- Board's Summary Report of the Year Mim Hawley, Action VP
- Introduction of Outgoing Board
- Report of Nominating Committee Sherry Smith, Chair
- Election of 2009-2010 Officers and Board
- Directions to New Board from Members
- Presentation of Awards. Mim Hawley, Action VP
- 7:30 Speaker: Linda Craig, Advocacy Director, LWV California, on
"How the May 19 Election will affect the Future of the
State Budget Process"**
- 8:30 Adjournment**

* The charge for supper is \$15. Please call the office -- 843-8824 --- by June 1, the last day to make a reservation. You may also bring your own food. Please also let us know if you would like a ride; we will be happy to arrange one for you.

PROPOSED BUDGET 2009-2010

INCOME		
Dues		19,465
Contributions		8,300
Community Lunch		13,500
Scrip		40,000
Product Sales		100
Program meetings		1,200
Contract Services		1,000
LWVB Foundation		9,000
Dividends - Money Market		50
Transfer from other assets		20,137
TOTAL INCOME		112,752
EXPENSES		
Per Member Payments (US, CA, BA)		15,560
Action		2,000
Program		2,000
Election Services		3,000
Convention subsidies		3,000
Administration		
Office Rent		10,992
Salary, Fringes & Taxes		13,000
Professional Fees, IRS 990		500
Insurance		1,500
Supplies, Copies & Postage		3,600
Phone, FAX, Internet		2,100
Computer Software & Supplies		600
other Taxes & Fees		200
Equip. Purchase & Maintenance		1,000
Board		100
Total Administration		33,592
Voter Newsletter		7,000
Development & Community Outreach		
Community Lunch		9,000
Scrip		37,500
Prod. Sales		100
Total Development Expenses		46,600
TOTAL EXPENSES		112,752

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,
 - Civics Education and
 - Instant Runoff Voting

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 8th 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:	Nominations from the floor
Recording Secretary:	Angharad Jones
Treasurer:	Bill Chapman
V.P. Action:	Linda Swift
V.P. Administration:	Diane Akers
V.P. Election Services:	Phoebe Watts
V.P. Membership:	Jane Coulter
V.P. Program:	Nominations from the floor

Directors:

VOTER Editor:	Alice Kisch
Education Director:	Helene Lecar
Environmental Concerns:	Gail Schickele/Carol Stone (co-directors)
Health Care:	Ursula Rolfe
Nominating Committee Chair:	Nominations from the floor
Directors at Large:	Mim Hawley
	Jean Safir
	Sherry Smith