

LWV of Lackawanna County Meeting
Wednesday, August 18 2010, 5:30 p.m. Room 524, OHara Hall, University of Scranton

Attendance: Bonnie Oldham, Dan Schreffler, Andrea Mulrine, Jean Harris, Tom Welby

Minutes: Previous minutes on-line at www.lwvlackawanna.org

Membership/Treasurer Report: Discussion on offering membership payment plans – like 2 or 4 payments. Also to highlight donation only options – add to renewals forms.

Will send separate mailing for:

- updated membership forms to encourage members to share with their friends/family.
- forms to the event candidates.
- updated membership brochures.

In addition, will mail membership forms to the candidates.

Bylaws – send out and ask for approval to membership.

Old Business:

- Bonnie followed up with Campus Women's Center to see if they will pay ½ of the costs of the film "Iron Jawed Angels".

Presidents Report

Summer events: Andrea spoke to the Keystone College summer Civics class. Andrea spoke on challenges of a nonprofit, and LWVLC activities – forums, etc.

National Convention: we did not attend.

Naturalization Ceremonies:

Bonnie will represent us on May 21 and July 23. Refreshments were provided and tasty! Bonnie will continue to support these. There are about 50 new citizens each time. The next one is in October 15 at noon. We received a donation of \$50 of baked goods.

Common Cause: Andrea met with Carney and staff – discussed finance reform bill – the Fair Elections Act.

Planning for the Fall:

Candidate Events:

Discussed our reach vs. resources to do the events, and how to get what we do to the public. Do we use DNET/SmartVoters, a voter's guide, public events with ECTV, for our website; use "survey monkey" to survey candidates, etc?

- 1) Facebook site – concern is comments that may make us appear bias. Dan to set up.
- 2) TV taping of our limited debates and then posted on our web site.
- 3) Survey monkey voter's guide instead of interviews. Dan to set up – survey 113th.
- 4) Business card type handout to make aware of election info on our web site.
- 5) Debates: House races, State Senate – 112th (Smith, Morgan), 113th (Murphy, Lapolla), 114th (Kavulich, Naylor), State Senate (Blake, Scavo). Possible dates at U of S Brennan Oct 12, 25, 27: Keystone: week of Oct 18th. 7pm – 1:15. Ask members to be time keepers. Andrea will contact ECTV, the candidates, and Monroe.

Program for 2010 – 2011

Campaign school – in January. Women's History Month. March is Women's History Month. Lunch with the League in the spring.

Voter registration – send schools a survey on what they do. Use list from NEIU to solicit what they do (via mail or online – give options.

Next meeting to be held at 520 O'Hara Hall (Corner of Jefferson/Linden), 9/15/2010 at 5:30PM. October 20, Nov 17.

Respectfully submitted, 08/28/10, D. Schreffler.