

Brown County League of Women Voters  
Minutes of the March 12, 2012 Board Meeting

The Board of the League of Women Voters of Brown County convened for its regular monthly meeting at 10:00 March 12, 2012 at the Brown County Public Library. Present were Pam Raider, President, Julie Winn, Vice President/Secretary, Marge Cook, Treasurer, Janet Kramer, Mary Perez, Nonie Daniels, Kristi Seastrom and Susanne Gaudin.

The February minutes were read and approved with minor corrections (Gaudin, Raider). The Treasurer's report showed \$3,324.77 in our bank account, with about \$850 in the Ed Fund, and \$200 added to the Scholarship. Pam announced that the League received a \$250 grant from the Lions Club for expenses related to Who's Where and other endeavors. Julie agreed to send a thank-you note to the Lions Club for this grant.

The State League Convention will be May 5-6 in Kokomo (President plus 2 can attend as voting members), and the National Convention will be in Washington DC June 8-11.

We sent in our support for the Michigan League position on the Great Lakes. Members are to be reviewing state and national positions in preparation for our Annual Meeting. Pam, Judy and Julie reviewed their attendance at the Presidents' Day events February 18. It was confirmed that Indiana Public Access Counselor Joe Hoage would participate in a conference call with Pam, Julie and Brown County Democrat Editor Sara Clifford to mark Sunshine Week, results of which would be published. Janet reported she had completed the questions for our candidates forums but wanted to review together at the end of the meeting, and did not yet have a date by which the candidates must respond. Per Susanne's suggestion, it was agreed we would meet March 23 to go over procedures and final plans for the forums. These are now scheduled for April 12 (local candidates) and April 19 (the Democratic candidates for the 9<sup>th</sup> District). Candidates running unopposed in the primary will not be speaking at the forums.

There will be a regional training for League members from south central Indiana march 24 at the BC Public Library at 10:00. Local members attending should bring salads and desserts.

We have met with the Election Board and drafted skits for poll worker training to take place April 30-May 1 at 6:00 pm.

We will host a Vote Center forum at 7:00 pm on May 24. The Annual Meeting is set for Monday, June 11, supper to be served at 6:00k, meeting to follow. We will investigate a local caterer and let participants know the price.

We will have a table at the first night of the Health Forum (April 13, 4-7) but probably not the next day as well. On Earth Day we'll focus our efforts on air and water. Janet

will contact Cathy Paradise and the Health Department regarding water and septic issues, respectively.

Janet reported that the Partnership, under the leadership of Mark Lindenlaub, is rejuvenating its focus on 2020. April 24 will see a gathering of 2020 subcommittees at the high school, and we will supply food for the meeting.

Nonie reported on a meeting on the Nashville noise ordinance. Marge reported on the most recent County Commissioners' meeting. Susanne reported on state developments, including an upcoming meeting with the Indiana Bar Association to look at partnering on citizenship issues/promotion – Indiana was 48<sup>th</sup> in voter turn-out last election. Susanne also updated us on the IDEM initiative (moratoria in effect at the moment, and IDEM continues to want a joint town-county project).

A vertical banner is priced at \$321.93. The Board voted to OK the purchase pending decision on what style-logo to include.

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Winn  
Vice President/Secretary