

## Minutes

### Brown County League of Women Voters

March 09, 2015

Present: Julie Winn, Pam Raider, Shari Frank, Cathy Rountree, Robyn Rosenberg Bowman, Judy East, Mary Perez, Robert Perez (Mary's grandson), Susanne Gaudin and Sara Vasquez (director, Emergency services)

Minutes of February 09, 2015 written by Sue Cannavo approved as posted.

Treasurer report – Marge not present no up to date figures. Check for We The People written.

Correspondence: Letter from Brown County Community Foundation – Dorothy Stewart scholarship will be awarding \$417 to student. At this time there are no students who have applied in category of environment or citizenship. Group votes to not award this year if can't find student and award next year. Conservation Day at State House is March 24<sup>th</sup> – State League is member of Conservationist League of groups.

Sara Vasquez has lengthy presentation on Emergency Services in Brown County and what they cover and what their needs are as well as various challenges we are facing as a county. She stresses importance of all citizens being able to stay in home for several days. Can access them through county website EMA link. County has only six generators and no really good emergency shelter sites since Y does not have back-up generator.

#### Current Business:

Meet Your Legislators – was big success may have to consider new location to accommodate crowds

-Fiscal Viability Study: Meeting with Auditor went well.

Vision 2020 Update: Nothing new to report. Partnership did not meet in January and February – do not seem interested in pursuing anything else.

2015 State Convention (Date April 17-19 2015): Multiple activities planned – hiking, tour of park and Historical Center. Shari Frank in charge of silent auction – send items to her for storage. Will be sending out convention reservation form on line. Will need help from members on silent auction and registration. Next committee meeting is this Friday. Peaceful Valley Heritage group wants to do presentation in library with Jim Glass as part of event but not official league sponsored event.

Community Conversations planned for this summer – Ruth to take the lead. June 25 – History and Natural Resources. August 27 – Cultural and Historical Assets and Sept. 24 – Performing Arts.

Who's Where – Pages have been assigned for updating – due end of March.

#### New Business:

Sunshine Week – Met at Democrat – decided to do piece on our Fiscal Study as example of transparency in Government.

Yellowwood Project – April 18<sup>th</sup> at Forest office – League to do panel for public – try to see if an get INDOT and/or DNR to be apart. Sometime in May or June.

Annual Meeting – Vote to hold on Wednesday May 27<sup>th</sup>. Principal Dr. Abbie Oliver suggested as possible speaker

Website/Newsletter: Need to post the dates discussed in these minutes as well as information and sign up forms for State meeting.

Committees:

Health care: Nothing new to report.

Membership: Pam is resigning from position on state Membership and leadership Development Committee she is in charge of Brown County and Monroe County.

Observer Corps: Meetings have been well attended of late.

Partnership: Not met in November, December, January or February

Next Board meeting is April 13, 2015, 10 am BC Library.

Pam Raider

Secretary

League of Women Voters of Brown County