

Highlights Board of Directors Minutes February 6, 2019

President's Report:

- Vicki Umans is officially on a leave of absence. A leave of absence allows us a quorum during meetings.
- The LWV-NYS Convention will take place in Albany this year between June 7 and June 9. So far, those interested are Cathy, Eva, Barbara, Arlene and Judy.
- The Smithtown LWVs will have a 99th Anniversary of the League luncheon on February 26. Judie Gorenstein will be the speaker.
- The North Fork / Shelter Island LWVs seem to be breaking apart We might invite these members to our meetings in venues close to their geographical areas.
- The Nominating Committee has been activated. Afton DiSunno is the chair; send her suggested nominees.

Discussion Items:

- The new communications initiatives have begun. We will use Constant Contact to notify the entire membership of upcoming committee meetings and agendas.
- Judi Roth, Judy Samuelson and Ginny Poveromo will review Non-Partisan Policy and LWV's By-Laws.
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Committee Reports:

- Education – Terese wrote the last Voter article. The committee's liaison at SHHS, Sean Bran, wants to challenge his students to their own competition to see how many students will get voter registration training. Judge Deborah Kooperstein wants to participate in any suitable programs with SH students. The Students inside the SC Legislature will be in Riverhead on April 11. The topic will be armed security at our schools and the program will be monitored by the SC Sheriff's Department.
- Electronic Communications – Our busiest week was November 11, 2018 followed by Jan. 20th, 2019. There were 11 Constant Contacts and 171 likes on Facebook.
- Government will wait and see the result of the new transportation initiative being tested by the LIRR. Meanwhile, they will concentrate on affordable housing and recycling. They are exploring a PIM in April about recycling with a panel discussion.
- On Jan. 31 membership had 123 paid members. We are not raising dues this year.
- Publicity – Arlene has printed the announcements for the Voter Services PIM and the Steve Israel book talk.
- Special Events – The Steve Israel book event will take place on April 4th at Seasons of SH and will be \$65 in advance and \$70 at the door. The committee is working on a Spring tour of Springs on May 30th.
- Voter Services – will be writing to the BoE's for information regarding the voter reforms approved at the opening of the current NYS legislature session.

Upcoming Events:

- Feb 7 – Beat the Winter Blahs Lunch, noon @ Bobby Vans.
- March 12 – PIM, Newest Town Councilmen from EH &SH.