

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY - MAL UNIT
OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

Date: February 24, 2018 **Time:** 3:00 p.m. **Place:** Greenfield Public Library

Board Members in Attendance: Marie Gauthier, Nicole Moore, Laura Luker, Joannah Whitney, Christine Turner

Board Members Not in Attendance: Marge Michalski

Guests in Attendance: 1

Members in Attendance: 5 (Marie has sign in sheet for count)

Call to Order:

At 3:08pm, Marie Gauthier opened meeting and welcomed members, and everyone introduced themselves.

Our guest speaker, N2N lead organizer Jacqueline Velez, had to postpone. She will attend our March meeting.

Community Outreach — Christine Turner:

- Our next volunteer service day at Stone Soup is April 7. FYI, can get credit at Green Field's Market for volunteer work. Mid-day shift needs most hands. Can register voters there.
- May 5 - 13 is Women Build Week at both Greenfield and Amherst Habitat for Humanity sites. May be opportunity for a LWVFC contingent to volunteer
- Donation drive of feminine products to survival centers?

Voter Services Committee — Ruth Odom:

- Run for Something! forum on March 4 — Facebook Live it form LWV page? Could borrow cameras from GCTV but we need a volunteer to do training and run cameras.
- Update on proposed Recorder civics column
 - Building list of authors/topics, looking solid. Awaiting final list before presenting proposal to Recorder
 - Ideas for additional topics:
 - role of judiciary as a branch of gov't.
 - rold of states in establishing voting boundaries (gerrymandering)
 - youth vote — voting age, pre-registering
- Who owns rights to content?>League or Recorder? 2 week embargo?
- If Recorder declines, possible to publish on LWVFC site instead, later collect into e-book?

Membership Committee — Joannah Whitney:

- Questions about subsidizing member dues
- Nat'l/state per-member payments make up most of membership fees

Social Meet-Ups:

- Several members are working on setting up
- NextDoor listserv — active in Leyden Woods, promote here

Postcard writing: Reconcile State House & Senate versions of omnibus criminal justice reform bill so that it can be brought to final vote.

Marie thanked members for coming and next meeting was scheduled.

Next Meeting: March 17, 2018, 3:00 PM
Location: Greenfield Public Library