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OF SAN DIEGO**

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4901 Morena Blvd., Ste. 104
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ANNUAL MEETING 2009

- ❖ Brunch
- ❖ Speakers
- ❖ Business Meeting

**Saturday, May 30, 2009
10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m.**

**Serra Mesa/Kearney Mesa Library
9005 Aero Drive
San Diego 92123**

Speakers:

**Sgt. Judith Woods, SDPD
Sgt. Lynda Oberlies, SDPD**

“How Is San Diego Law Enforcement Addressing Violence against Women?”

- * Domestic Violence, Family Justice Center
- * Pimping, Human Trafficking, Prostitution
- * Vice, Sex Crimes, Child Abuse

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Every member present is a voting delegate. Join other Leaguers to discuss next year's program and budget and elect officers and directors.

Please bring this workbook with you to the meeting. Your participation and cooperation is essential.

PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 10:00 REGISTRATION & Brunch
- 10:15 WELCOME Norma Damashek, Co-President
- 10:30 SPEAKER Introduction by Anne Hoiberg, Co-President,
International Relations Director
Sgts: Judith Woods and Lynda Oberlies, SDPD
- 11:15 PRESENTATION OF AWARD TO BETSY STEVENS Peggy Finch, VP/Membership
- 11:20 CALL TO ORDER Norma Damashek, Co-President
ORGANIZATION
- Credentials Report
 - Adoption of Order of Business
 - Adoption of Convention Rules
 - Introduction of Parliamentarian, Pages, Timer & Secretary
 - Appointment of Committee to approve 2008 Minutes
- MINUTES OF THE 2008 Annual Meeting Sharon Allen, Secretary
- TREASURER'S REPORT Jill Elsner, Treasurer-Nominated
- 11:35 PROPOSED 2009-2010 PROGRAM Debra Blum, Program Member
Motion to retain all positions-does not require a second
Motion to consider the proposed update to the City Government Position—does not require a second.
Motions to consider any other items in the Program Planning List—does not require a second.
Discussion on each motion
Final Vote on each motion (simple majority for board recommendations;
3/5 majority for other programs)
- 12:00 PROPOSED 2009-2010 BUDGET Alice McCauley, Budget Committee Chair
Presentation, motion to adopt, discussion, vote
- 12:25 2009-2010 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS Laurel Pfab, Committee Member
- Nominating Committee Report
 - Nominations from the floor
 - Election of Officers and Directors
 - Introduction of continuing Officers & Directors
- 12:30 PRESIDENT'S REPORT to the membership Norma Damashek, Co- President
- RESOLUTIONS & DIRECTIVES to the new board
Resolutions require a vote. Directives do not.
ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
- 1:00 ADJOURN

LWVSD PROGRAM PLANNING REPORT, 2009

(based on written Unit Report Forms from Program Planning)

Beryl Flom, Program Co-Chair

Note: Information on the report forms was brief with little detail, so the Board is reluctant to support a new study at this time. We encourage members with specific interests to join the appropriate committee (specified below) and work to develop recommendations for program in more detail. Any study proposed by a member at the Annual meeting must designate a chair of the study.

REQUIRES A MAJORITY VOTE

1. Retain all positions but modify city government position as presented. Recommended by the Board
2. Update of City Government Positions resulting from consensus meetings, March 9-14, 2009.
Recommended by the Board.

Note: Sections to be deleted are marked with a strikethrough. Sections to be added are in bold italic print. Items to be suspended are enclosed in brackets.

Government structures and Procedure: LWVSD supports ~~the current Council Manager system of government. The~~ ***a city government with*** structures and procedures ***that*** promote responsive, responsible and efficient government with adequate checks and balances of power, with equal opportunities for citizens and with provisions for citizen participation.

Mayor: ~~The Mayor, as political and legislative head of the City, should develop an annual legislative program. [The Mayor should remain a member of the Council. He/she should have the authority, in conjunction with the Council, to hire, fire, and give policy instructions to the City Manager.]~~ ***** He/she The Mayor*** should have salary and staff commensurate with full-time responsibilities. ('95) The Mayor should be involved in the planning of the budget from the beginning of the budget process. (00) In the event of a vacancy in the office of Mayor, a special election should be held if the vacancy is for a year or more. ('83) ***The Mayor should respond to requests for information from the public or the City Council in a timely manner. It is very important that the Mayor arrange to hear concerns from individual citizens and citizen groups on a regular and consistent basis in a public venue.***

City Council: Council members should be nominated and elected by districts; they should have salaries and staff commensurate with full-time responsibilities as the city's legislative and policy-making body. ~~Council should have the authority to hire, and fire and give direction to the City Manager.~~ ('95) In the event of a vacancy on the Council, a special district election should be held if the vacancy is for a year or more. If the vacancy is for less than a year it should be filled by appointment as provided in the City Charter. ('83) ***There needs to be adequate balance between the legislative branch and the administrative branch of City Government. Members of the city council should elect a council president to serve a term of one year. The council president should set the council agenda. Three or more council members should have authority to place an item for consideration on the docket. The City Council should take responsibility for ensuring that legislation and policies that have been enacted are carried out.***

[**City Manager:** The City Manager should be appointed by the City Council and should be responsible for the enforcement of laws and ordinances, for preparation and execution of the budget and for the flow (though, not the control) of information to the Council. The City Manager should receive policy instructions from the Mayor and Council ("95") ********

Chief Operating Officer: The qualifications required of the city's chief operating officer should be defined in the City Charter.

Citizen Participation: We found no need to update the current position. We reaffirm the current position and emphasize the importance of citizen participation to ensure good government.

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\*\*Items enclosed in brackets will be suspended pending the 2010 election regarding making permanent the executive mayor (strong mayor) form of government for San Diego)

**THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS WOULD REQUIRE A THREE-FIFTHS MAJORITY TO PASS**

- **Proposal for Local Study on Charter Schools** (no scope was given in the Program Planning notes)

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this study. Charter Schools are regulated and funded largely by the State, so a study with consensus and a position that develops from it would necessarily be limited to local Charter Schools. The Board suggests that people interested in school topics join the Education Committee chaired by Ruberta Castro

- **Proposal for Wording Change in Existing Position**

- 1) Add to the end of the position on Urban Development (p. 11), **environmental appropriateness** as a criterion for Sound Community Development. The section currently reads:  
“Community Development: Sound community development should first meet a community need and then be evaluated with the following criteria:

- Allow for needed change;
- Consider the unique population for the community;
- Contribute to an aesthetically pleasing environment;
- Be financially feasible;
- Contribute to pride in the community;
- Promote the opportunity for the inclusion throughout the community of various ethnic, minority and economic groups;
- Take into consideration the physical nature of the community”

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend these changes. It considers the term “physical nature of the community” to be adequate, especially since the term “environmental appropriateness” is undefined. Any change in concepts of a position must be done by a study update, not just a vote at the Annual Meeting.

- 2) Add a phrase to the same section of the Urban Development position that reads: **The development of economically and racially balanced communities in all parts of the city as well as in newly developed areas.”** – Vote by concurrence at the Annual Meeting.

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this change. The existing position already includes the concept of balance. The proposed statement is unclear and adds nothing new to the existing position. In addition, concurrence is usually a vote to adopt a position of another League, not a vote to add a statement that has not be studied or gone through consensus.

- **Other Suggestions Mentioned in Program Planning**

- 1) Water and Sewage in Coronado Study

**Board Comments:** If a local unit wants to do a local study, they can definitely do that. The consensus procedure would have to be developed by the Board. The League does have positions on water and sewage which might apply to the Coronado situation.

- 2) Continue City Government Update Study

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this proposal. The committee that has just completed the City Government Update has chosen to disband. Our overall City

Government position should be revisited after the 2010 public vote on whether to retain the strong mayor form of government.

- 3) Redevelopment non-profit corporations (CCDC and SEDC)

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this proposal. Redevelopment is a complex topic based on state law and falls beyond local purview. The LWVSD has been testifying on transparency and openness in redevelopment for the last year or so and it will continue to do this.

- 4) Update position on parks

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this study. This topic was not defined in the Program Planning notes. It is very broad and needs to have a scope. Those interested in parks might attend the Public Policy Committee and work on defining the issues for needed study.

- 5) Drop Position on South Bay Planning

**Board Comments:** The Board does not recommend this suggestion. The LWVSD inherited this position when we merged with the LWV of South Bay. It is not advisable to drop a position unless it conflicts with other positions.

### **DOES NOT REQUIRE A VOTE OF THE MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Issues for Education and Advocacy**

Note – The Program Committee appreciates these suggestions for Unit and Luncheon topics. People who would like to join the Program Committee should contact Beryl Flom. Action on them would initiate at the committee level.

- 1) Waterfront – protection from unwise development – being discussed by the Public Policy Committee, chaired by Norma Damashek
- 2) Charter Schools – see above
- 3) Public Transportation – needs to be brought to the Public Policy Committee
- 4) Civil Service vs. Privatization (trash collection, water, etc.) – action has been coming from the Public Policy Committee
- 5) Early childhood education in the local schools – topic for the Education Committee
- 6) Combined downtown Central Library and High School – needs to be brought to the Public Policy Committee (on 4/8/09, the San Diego Unified School District rejected this concept)
- 7) Teaching specific classes on civics, geography, and history rather than social sciences – topic for the Education Committee
- 8) SEDC and CCDC – testimony has been given on redevelopment by the Public Policy Committee who will continue to follow it
- 9) Why SDUSD is closing schools – topic for the Education Committee, covered at the February 2009 luncheon with Dr. Grier
- 10) Combining city and county libraries – topic for the Public Policy Committee
- 11) Chollas Creek – topic for the Natural Resources Committee
- 12) Airport – topic for the Public Policy Committee and the County League
- 13) Affordable housing – topic for the Public Policy Committee and the County League.

## **NEW 50 YEAR LIFE MEMBER**

The following is a member who has now reached the goal of 50 years with the League ! At this point members do not have to pay dues and, of course, are recognized for their dedication to League values over a life-time. We applaud this remarkable woman!

### **Betsy Stevens**

Betsy Stevens first joined the League in 1959. She joined what was then called the Clairemont Evening League and Eleanor Barton was president.

She was active on the foreign policy committee, dealing with issues such as the Marshall Plan and food surplus. Governor "Pat" Brown was telling California that water was a serious issue. The result was the water system that brings water from Northern California to Southern California, the California Aqueduct.

She was inactive for awhile but always kept up her support and membership. In 1990 she moved to Rancho Bernardo and again had enough time to be a regular at the Rancho Bernardo unit.

## **Message from VP Administration**

Dear Leaguers,

On the following page you will find the Nominating Committee's report regarding our Board and officers and directors. We will be voting on these suggestions. As you will see, there are a few vacancies. What you do not see is that, even in the filled positions, a back-up person, an apprentice, is needed. Many positions such as Treasurer, Voter Editor, Secretary and Administration do not have committees to help them and so they do not have anyone trained to step in to take on the job, if needed. These positions require particular skills that some of you may have or be interested in learning. An apprenticeship is an excellent way to see if the job might be something that you would enjoy. I would hope that each of you would stop and think about many of these positions and ask yourself if you would be willing to step up and "try one on for size". If it fits, you will have grown as an individual. If it doesn't, then you've at least learned that.

Try it. You'll Like it! Join our leadership team.

Jeanne Brown, VP Administration

**LWVSD NOMINATING REPORT 2009**

The candidates listed below have been nominated by the committee. Further nominations may be made from the floor if the nominee has agreed to have her/his name put forward.

**Board members to be elected for two years (unless otherwise noted):**

- Treasurer.....Jill Elsner (2010)**
- Secretary.....Dolores Hansen Nelson (2011)**
- VP-Membership co-chairs.....Peggy Finch & Peg Bates (2011)**
- Unit coordinator.....Jody Tadder (2011)**
- VP-Voters service.....Laurel Pfab (2011)**
- Director-Action.....Kathleen MacLeod (2011)**
- Director -Education.....Ruberta Castro (2011)**
- Director-at-large.....Susan Baer (2011)**

**Nominating committee to be elected for one year:**

- Nominating committee chair.....Vacant**
- Nominating committee members.....Sharon Allen & June Reardon (2010)**

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Continuing Board members:

- Co-Pres./International relations.....Anne Hoiberg (2010)**
- Co-Pres/Public policy chair.....Norma Damashek (2010)**
- VP-Administration.....Jeanne Brown (2010)**
- VP-Program co-chairs.....Beryl Flom & Shirley Larson (2010)**
- International relations co-chair.....Rebecca Booth (2010)**
- VOTER editor..... Faye Rose (2010)**
- Public Relations.....Kathleen Hughart (2010)**

Off-board directors are appointed by the Board

LWVSD BUDGET PROPOSAL

For the Fiscal Year 2009/2010

INCOME	FYE	FYE	EXPENSES	FYE	FYE
	7-01-08	7-01-09		7-01-08	7-01-09
	Budget	Proposed		Budget	Proposed
ADMINISTRATION			ADMINISTRATION		
Annual Meeting	500.00	0.00	Annual Meeting	500.00	
Board Retreat			Bank charges	30.00	39.16
ILO Rental income	1,325.00	1,300.00	Board Retreat	100.00	
Interest Income	2,500.00	2,022.00	Board Publications	50.00	
			Bulk mail permit	180.00	180.00
Transfer from Savings	16,924.45	250.00	Copying & printing	700.00	598.63
			Delegates' exp.	2,500.00	1,200.00
			Franchise tax	10.00	10.00
			Insurance:		
			Liability	1,700.00	1,579.85
			Workman's Comp	210.00	183.05
			League Promotion		
			Internet/Web	900.00	819.00
			Office Supplies	1,200.00	999.00
			Payroll, incl. taxes	20,000.00	13,089.00
			QB Payroll Tax Serv	250.00	245.00
			Postage:	380.00	187.00
			Permits & Licenses	25.00	45.00
			Rent	10,000.00	6,573.00
			Repairs & maintenance	500.00	535.00
			Telephone, incl. voice mail	1,300.00	1,407.00
			Utilities	3,500.00	2,637.00
			President's allowance		
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	21,249.45	3,572.00		44,035.00	30,326.70
ADVOCACY:SD,CA,US				100.00	0.00
STUDY/CITIZENS INFORMATION			STUDY/CITIZENS INFORMATION		
General Meetings/Tours	9,000.00		General Meetings/Tours	7,000.00	
24/09/08 Fire Luncheon		1,435.00	24/09/08 Fire Luncheon		1,718.05
28/10/08 Redistricting Luncheon		1,115.00	28/10/08 Redistricting Luncheon		783.59
25/11/08 Time to Get Real Luncheon		1,935.00	25/11/08 Time to Get Real Luncheon		1,659.44
27/01/09 Landfill Bus Tour		500.00	27/01/09 Landfill Bus Tour		556.63
23/02/09 Dr. Terry Grier-not complete		1,510.00	23/02/09 Dr. Terry Grier-not complete		1,433.16
19/3/09 Media & Democracy- not complete		1,250.00	19/3/09 Media & Democracy- not complete		1,099.10
			Earth Day Fair	125.00	
			Program Committee		
			Printing	500.00	601.76
			Postage		13.39
			Publications		
TOTAL STUDY/CITIZENS INFORMATION	9,000.00	7,745.00		7,625.00	7,865.12
DEVELOPMENT			DEVELOPMENT		

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For the Fiscal Year 2009/2010

INCOME			EXPENSES	
	FYE 7-01-08 Budget	FYE 7-01-09 Proposed	FYE 7-01-08 Budget	FYE 7-01-09 Proposed
Direct mail drive	5,000.00	3,755.00	Direct mail drive	600.00
Grant donation		10,000.00	Grant Expenses	198.09
			Postage	548.89
Spring Fundraiser	5,000.00		Spring Fundraiser	3,000.00
La Jolla Moneybook	800.00	760.00	La Jolla Moneybook	400.00
Winter Holiday party	3,000.00	140.00	Winter Holiday party	380.00
				394.10
Donations:				
Members/non-members	4,000.00	3,486.00		
Macy's Coupon			Fundraising Event	
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT	17,800.00	18,141.00		4,400.00
MEMBERSHIP				1,557.08
Dues income	23,090.00	21,309.00	MEMBERSHIP	
			Committee Expenses	500.00
			Postage	26.28
			Printing	13.69
			Supplies	30.00
			Fairs & Parades	475.00
			PMPs	
			ILO	883.75
PMP from Ed Fund @ 50%	5,490.00		LWVUS	871.25
PMP from Ed Fund @ 10%	814.00	383.34	LWVC	4,611.50
			Units Expenses	7,667.00
			Volunteer coordinator	100.00
			Yearbook	8.40
				100.00
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	29,394.00	21,692.34		20,693.45
				14,628.15
NEWSLETTER - VOTER:			NEWSLETTER - VOTER:	
Voter ads and subscriptions	120.00	78.00	Postage	72.68
Transfer from			Printing	1,562.05
Ed Fund @ 45%	1,800.00			
TOTAL NEWSLETTER-VOTER	518.62	1,920.00		4,000.00
				1,634.73
VOTER SERVICE:			VOTER SERVICE:	
Election Services	600.00		Forums/community outreach	396.99
Forums/community outreach	200.00	557.00	Speakers Bureau	50.00
Speakers Bureau	200.00	290.00	Election Services	10.00
Pollworking	300.00	293.00	Printing	
Transfer from Ed Fund @ 100%	250.00			
TOTAL VOTER SERVICE	1,550.00	1,140.00		60.00
				396.99
GRAND TOTAL INCOME	80,913.45	52,368.34	GRAND TOTAL EXPENSE	80,913.45
				56,408.77

Call to Annual Business Meeting

The League of Women Voters of San Diego
invites all members to participate
Saturday, May 30, 2009

Speakers:

Sgt. Judith Woods, SDPD
Sgt. Lynda Oberlies, SDPD

“How Is San Diego Law Enforcement Addressing Violence against Women?”

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Directions to Serra Mesa/Kearney Mesa Library:

From the south: take I-805 or 163 to Mesa College Drive east, which turns into Kearney Villa Road. Turn right on Aero Drive and the library will be on your right, approximately 1 mile down the road. It is across the street from Montgomery Field.

From the north: take I-15 south to Aero Drive turnoff. Turn right on Aero Drive. The library will be on your right, approximately 1 mile down the road. It is across the street from Montgomery Field.

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League of Women Voters of San Diego Annual Meeting
May 30, 2009

Registration deadline is May 28,

Brunch & Registration \$15.00

Name(s) (print for nametag): _____

Member: _____ Phone: _____

Member: _____ Phone: _____

Guest(s): _____ (are welcome to hear the speakers)

Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ Brunch & Registration Donation \$ _____

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