

**League of Women Voters of Orange, Durham & Chatham Counties**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Saturday, April 15, 2017 – Chapel Hill Public Library**

Attending: Pam Oxendine, President; Eva Rogers, Vice President; Krishna Mondal, Director; Pat McDaniels, Director; Amy Jeroloman, Director; Jennifer Rubin, Director (minute-taker for this meeting), Sue Anderson, Nominating Committee

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pam Oxendine called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Amy Jeroloman moved to accept Agenda; Eva Rogers seconded; all approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jennifer Rubin moved to accept Minutes of the March 2017 meeting; Amy Jeroloman seconded; all approved.

Reports

Treasurer's Report

The budget was presented by Pam Oxendine in Susan Marston's absence. Of particular note was that dues are projected to be less next year as new member growth slows, but the amount of PMP at state and national levels increases. To fill the gap, it was felt it would be preferable to embark on fundraising instead of raising dues. It was suggested that we ask for donations at programs and remind attendees and members that the education fund gifts are tax deductible.

Jennifer Rubin moved to accept the budget; Amy Jeroloman seconded; motion passed.

Membership

Eva Rogers reported that the ODC chapter now has 302 members, with five new members joining last week, including two members from Alamance County and one member from Wake County who have chosen to affiliate with ODC. Eva is making efforts to get every new member involved. We lost 35-40 members last year, possibly because individuals chose to participate at the party/partisan level.

Communications

There was a discussion of information flow between ODC members and state, national and local levels. It was agreed to contact the state organization through Mary Parry and ensure that our members receive state LWV information. A note to

that effect will be sent by Jennifer Rubin, with a copy sent to Mary Klenz and Willie Taylor.

## Nominating

Sue Anderson presented the slate:

President: Pam Oxendine, Durham

Vice President: Pat McDaniels, Chatham

Secretary: Tara Fikes, Durham

Treasurer: Cynthia LaMaster, Durham

Director (2017-2019): Jennifer Rubin, Durham

Director (2017-2019): Amy Jeroloman, Orange

Director (2017-2018): Zena Alman, Durham

[Krishna Mondal's term as director is 2016-2018 so it does not need to be voted on.]

Pat McDaniels moved to approve the slate; Krishna Mondal seconded and the motion passed.

## Action Teams

Pam Oxendine asked that each action team report on their group's activities at the annual meeting. Tables will be set up for each team, including the communications team, with sign-ups. We need a health care team leader or co-leaders. Pam will form the team with names from Eva Rogers' interest surveys.

The board discussed ways to increase attendance at action team events. One suggestion was to consider advertising some events and utilize local news media such as radio, to get the public to attend.

The group felt it was worth considering reviving the "Lunch with the League" events. This will be discussed at the next board retreat.

It was announced that Kathy Wright has agreed to be the ODC Program Chairperson. This is a new position that will help track programs and events, keep resource lists of venues and caterers, etc. The position may be an appointed director role, which the president can authorize. The president can appoint up to four directors to the board. Pam Oxendine encouraged all members to attend board of directors' meetings whenever possible.

The board is considering forming an ad hoc Study Group/Team that may look at specific issues for concerted study, such as immigration, water quality, transportation, and other issues that are surfaced by the board or issues teams. Depending on interest, other new teams may include: Fund Raising, Immigration, and Transportation.

## Annual Meeting

The ODC annual meeting will be held on June 8 at Extraordinary Ventures in Chapel Hill at 6:30 p.m. The communications team will send out a “save the date” announcement. E-vites will be sent to all members. A program was discussed and Krishna Mondal suggested the topic of regional transportation. The group felt that was an excellent topic. As noted above, action teams will staff tables at the annual meeting. Pam Oxendine encourages all members to attend the annual meeting.

## Orange County

It was reported that the Orange County unit will have co leaders: Vicki Boyer, Ruth Ann Groh, Amy Jeroloman, Krishna Mondal.

The board suggested that the county leader role be defined with the following responsibilities:

1. Organize unit business meetings at least quarterly to carry out county group activities
2. Maintain awareness of and communicate voter services and election events in the county
3. Create and manage an observer core to monitor local government boards and committees
4. Learn about county issues
5. Keep board updated on county activities and attend board meetings whenever possible; leaders will receive board minutes
6. Maintain awareness of ODC activities and communicate those to county members

## Convention

Pam Oxendine will forward delegate information to board members and delegates. ODC has 15 delegates.

The next meeting is May 13 at 10 a.m.

Krishna Mondal moved for adjournment at 12:01 p.m.