

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ALAMEDA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES, September 18, 2025
Online via Zoom

Board members present: Anna Crane, presiding; Keasha Martindill, Genevieve Yuen, Susan Hauser, Linda Lyons-Justus, Jeff Cambra, Paul Beusterien. **Other members present:** Marilyn Ng, Neil Reubenstein

Call to Order: Anna Crane called the meeting to order at 7:05. Keasha moved, Susan seconded, and we accepted the agenda. Keasha moved, Paul seconded, and we approved the consent agenda.

League Leadership/Succession Planning: We reiterated the necessity of developing candidates to undertake leadership positions in the league, with emphasis on the position of voter services in particular. We were reminded of the responsibilities of the position, which includes conducting forums for candidates and country wide offices, submitting information to vote 411, and coordinating with the league. It was suggested that Susan Gonzales and Thushan be considered as potential candidates to lead the committee in the upcoming elections.

Bay Area League: It was proposed that we establish a liaison within the Bay Area League, in which Linda volunteered to send updates about the LWVA's involvement with free speech programs in schools. It was agreed on by the board that synopses would be written and sent to Linda by the members most intimately related to those programs.

Alameda Democratic Club: In meeting with the Alameda Democratic Club, we were able to convey the positions of the league and identified areas of synergy and compatibility between both organizations, most notably being the advocacy for voter registration and education.

Free Speech Panel: We discussed the details of the free speech event taking place on Tuesday, November 18th at the Frank Bette Center for the Arts. Members expressed concerns over accessibility issues, and we explored various other venues for consideration (Harbor Bay Club and the Alameda Food Bank) which will be brought up to the event coordinator, Paula, for further contemplation.

Open Floor: No comments were made.

Anna Crane adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm.