

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ALAMEDA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES, November 20, 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:** Neil Reubenstein, Li Volin

Call to Order: Anna Crane called the meeting to order at 7:02. Li moved, Keasha seconded, and we accepted the agenda. Susan moved, Keasha seconded, and we approved the consent agenda.

Legislative interviews for 2026: We re-emphasized the importance of legislative interviews not only to spread awareness about candidates and their policies, but to increase league visibility. Furthermore, both Paul and Anna expressed interest in participating in the event, and the league agreed to continue seeking a third participant for the interview process. Moreover, we discussed and approved that the upcoming legislative interviews will continue to be held over zoom for convenience.

General Member Meeting: The League confirmed the next general member meeting will occur on Saturday January 24th, with a secondary date set on January 31st. It was further specified that the meeting will be located in the Alameda Hospital at 2070 Clinton Ave.

Voter Services: It was drawn to our attention the ongoing vacancy in our “voter services” position in the league, and the urgency to fill this role was re-iterated, especially in regards to the upcoming local elections. Susan and Anna both offered to meet with a potential candidate in which to lead this program. Additionally, Keasha will handle publicity and set up Zoom meetings for the 2026 AUSD City and Council Forums in representation of the League. We also acknowledged a possible collaboration with a parent-led group in Alameda who wants to poll familial and parental concerns before next year’s election. Jeff agreed to set up a meeting date with the organization, and to seek a better understanding of their political values.

Bay Area League: We discussed the new revisions made to the Bay Area League positions, including the decision to stop the push for legislation to create a commission; instead focusing on various other concerns with sustainability. It was commented that the wide variety of subject items listed in the document resulted in duplicative statements or caused a lack of clarity in the stances. It was therefore suggested that Li create a letter with a compiled list of edits regarding the conflicting technical terms mentioned in the document, and that the league would review and approve of the changes.

LWVA Holiday Party: The League also began planning our annual holiday, in which Anna graciously offered to host. It was decided that we would meet at her house on December 7th at 3:00pm.

Alameda Family Services: The Alameda Family Services helps to coordinate services for children in schools throughout Alameda county. Susan introduced the organization's new program to provide intensive mental health services for young people in a state of crisis, and encouraged the league to donate in support. Anna agreed to include this program in our next newsletter.

Open Floor: Li reminded and encouraged the League to attend the Alameda Welfare Council yard sale occurring this month at 1112 Broadway.

Anna Crane adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.