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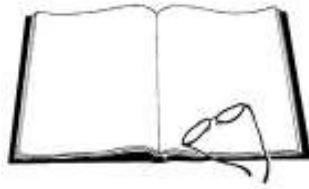
An important part of our Annual Meeting is the business session. Admittedly, it is not as much fun as the luncheon nor as interesting as the speaker, but there are several things we need to accomplish each year that the entire membership needs to participate in. We need to elect Officers and Directors for 2014-2015. We need to approve a budget and this year several Board members have some changes to the Bylaws that they recommend that the membership approve. Our Bylaws require thirty day written notice of each of these items. This issue of *CoastLines* is dedicated to those notices. For completeness we repeat the notice of this year's Annual Meeting. If you have not made your reservations please do so as soon as you can.

ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 14 AT 9:30 COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS GOLD BEACH

The League of Women Voters of Curry County will hold its Annual Meeting at Docia Sweet Hall at the Fairgrounds in Gold Beach on June 14th. There will be a social time from 9:30AM-10AM to meet and greet your fellow members! At 10:00 AM the business meeting will convene which includes a number of items, budget, bylaw proposals and elections. Lunch will be served around noon. There is a choice of Vegetarian or Quiche Lorraine for \$12 including; salad bar, dessert and beverage.

Our guest speaker will be Mr. Jake Conde, Assistant District Attorney of Curry County. He will be discussing a serious situation that we should all be aware of. About 30% of the jail inmates are mental health clients who have gone off their medications and committed crimes. Sheriff Bishop confirms this proportion, which matches the statewide average. This important topic is one which all League members should be interested in because it is likely to be a major Public Safety issue in the months ahead. Educating our fellow citizens might be an important role for the League. Please come hear this important message so you can help guide our future.

For lunch reservations and a choice of what you want to eat, email Lucie La Bonté – labontelucie2@gmail.com by June 5th. Guests are welcome!



Dear Members and Friends,

One of the things I have learned through my years of League membership is that process does matter. We take great pride in calling ourselves a *grassroots* organization. We want our members involved in every decision the League makes. That is why every study the League does, whether at the national, state or local level, includes answers to consensus questions to the members so that their views can be included in the final report. This part of the study process keeps the study leaders in touch with the views of the members. The study process guarantees that this communication takes place and it is one of the reasons that our studies are viewed across the political spectrum as being thorough and well researched.

Each year we have an Annual Meeting to transact our necessary business: elections, adopting a budget and considering next year's activities. In addition to those issues we are going to consider some changes to our Bylaws. Nothing radical is being proposed but several Board members made the important effort to propose some amendments that will bring the Bylaws up to date. This subject might not excite you but making sure that our rules are what we want them to be is an important part of having a well run League. I urge you to review the proposed changes before coming to the meeting.

I have also included a proposed agenda for the meeting. The agenda does not become final until it is approved by the members at the start of the meeting. Please review this agenda. If there is something you wish to add, modify or delete please let me know. I will include an updated version of the agenda in the program that is distributed at the meeting.

Finally, I urge you to come to the meeting early enough to participate in the social time before the business meeting. We have many new members. We want them to meet and get to know many of the "old timers" so that everyone can feel a part of this growing organization.

Everyone has to make sure that League continues make a difference!!

Al Wilson

The League of Women Voters of Curry County



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2014-2015 ANNUAL MEETING PROPOSED AGENDA

Editor's Note: The agenda for the Annual Meeting will be approved near the start of the meeting. A proposed agenda is provided here to all members to consider amendments that they would like to make. These can be submitted to League President, Al Wilson. at al@ruffandsluff.com. A final proposed agenda will be included in the Annual Meeting program that will be distributed prior to the meeting. Adoption of the meeting's agenda is one of the first items of business at the meeting and further amendments may be made at that time.

PROPOSED AGENDA

- 9:30 Social
- 10:00 Call to Order
- I. Introductions
- II. Procedural and Administrative: (Approve agenda and minutes of 2013 meeting; appoint reviewers of minutes of this meeting, appoint parliamentarian)
- III. Financial: Treasurer's Report - Kathi Lindsay
Approval/Adoption of 2014-2015 Budget
- IV. President's Report - Al Wilson
- V. Voter Service Report - Shirley Nelson and Charlie Alexander
- VI. Membership Report - Kathi Lindsay
- VII. Proposed Bylaws Amendments - Milt Nelson
- VIII. Proposal to Retain All Current Positions - Shirley Nelson
- IX. Suggested Local Program
- X. Fund Raising Project for 2014-2015 (including appointment of Project Chair)
- XI. Election of Officers: (A) Report from Nominating Committee Chair, (B) Nominations from the Floor, (C) Elections
- XII. Appointment of Chairs for 2014-2015: (A) Unit Chairs, (B) Publicity/Public Relations (C) Voter Service, (D) Membership Leadership Development
- XIII. Other Business
- XIV. Adjournment
- 12:00 Lunch Served; Speaker: Jake Conde, Curry County Assistant District Attorney
- 1:15 Meeting of the 2014-2015 Board of Directors

BROOKINGS UNIT MEETING RESCHEDULED FOR MAY 15 IN GOLD BEACH

The Brookings Unit Meeting scheduled for May 14 has been merged with the Gold Beach Unit Meeting. The merged meeting will be on Thursday May 15 at 5:30 PM in the Gold Beach City Hall. The subject is National Popular Vote. This is an important topic dealing with Presidential elections. All members are urged to attend one of the May Unit Meetings to learn about this important proposal. It has come before the Oregon Legislature several times and is surely coming up in 2015.

PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET

League of Women Voters Profit & Loss Budget Overview July 2014 through June 2015

Income		
Fundraisers		750.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings	1.00	
Total Investments		1.00
Program Income		
Annual Meeting (1)	250.00	
Holiday Meeting (1)	210.00	
Donations (2), (4)	500.00	
Bulletin Sponsors (3)	400.00	
Membership Dues (5)	2,190.00	
Total Program Income		3,550.00
Total Income		4,301.00
Expense		
Educational Expenses (6)		
Bulletin Postage (3)	110.00	
Bulletin Copying (3)	110.00	
Website	200.00	
Voter Service	150.00	
Total Educational Expenses		570.00
Administrative Costs		
Admin Postage	25.75	
Admin Office Supplies	10.00	
Admin Copying	10.00	
Total Administrative Costs		45.75
Business Expenses		
Gift Memberships (7)	175.50	
LWVOR PMP (8)	921.25	
LWV National PMP (8)	1,038.50	
LWVOR Assess	45.00	
Registration Fees	50.00	
Total Business Expenses		2,230.25
Operations		
Fundraising Expenses (9)	250.00	
Total Operations		250.00
Travel and Meetings		
Holiday Meeting (1)	210.00	
Annual Meeting (1)	250.00	
Del. State Convention	250.00	
Total Travel and Meetings		710.00
Total Expense		3,806.00
Net Income (10)		495.00

Notes to 2014-15 Budget

1. Meetings Income shown exactly as expenses for same below
2. Fundraisers, theater party or coupon books or other
3. Bulletin Sponsors, income should be \$180 more than expense
4. Donations, direct mail appeal and/or donation jar appeals at all significant public meetings
5. Membership Dues, total of membership bills
6. Education Expenses, based on last year
7. Gift Memberships, proposed for three members
8. PMP, calculated exactly per January 31, 2014 count
9. Fundraising Expenses, amount could change based on chosen event
10. Surplus assumes profit from donations and fundraising of \$1000. Without that income we have a deficit of \$505.

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Text which has been deleted or replaced is shown with a ~~strike through~~. Replacing or added text is shown in *italics*. Numerous typographical errors have been corrected and are not mentioned here.

Article III Section 2: (1) individuals who live within ~~an area of a local League~~ *Curry County* may join that League or any other local League;

Article IV Section 1: The officers of the LWVCC shall be a president, who shall be elected for a one-year term; a ~~first vice-president, a second vice president,~~ a secretary and a treasurer who shall be elected for two-year terms. The ~~first vice-president~~ and treasurer shall be elected in the odd numbered years and the ~~second vice president and~~ secretary shall be elected in even numbered years.

Article IV Section 2: In the event of the absence, disability, resignation or death of the president, the ~~first vice-president~~ shall assume the office until the end of the president's term. If the ~~first vice-president~~ is not able to serve as president, the board shall fill the vacancy until the end of the term from among the elected directors.

Article IV Section 3: The ~~First Vice-President~~. The ~~first vice-president~~ shall assist the president in ways determined by the president and board. Article IV Section 4 is deleted and the subsequent articles renumbered.

Article V Section 1: The board of directors shall consist of the officers of the LWVCC, *up to* five directors elected by the annual meeting; ~~(and not more than) four directors appointed by the elected members of the board.... All appointed directors shall serve until July 1st of the next year.~~

Article VI Section 1: There ~~shall~~ *should* be ~~at least three~~ *one or more* general membership meetings each year.

Article VII Section 1: The nominating committee shall consist of five members. The chair and two members, who shall not be members of the board *but shall represent the three units*, shall be elected for two-year terms in even numbered years at the annual meeting.... ~~The board for the remainder of the term shall fill vacancies.~~

~~Article VIII Section 1:~~ The Principles are concepts of government adopted by the national convention and ~~supported by the League as a whole.~~

Article VIII Section 3: Any other changes in the program may be made provided the information concerning the proposed change has been sent to all members at least two weeks before a ~~general membership~~ *unit* meeting at which the change is to be discussed and that final action by the ~~membership~~ *board* is taken at a succeeding meeting.

Article IX Section 2: Annual dues shall be payable on ~~May 1~~ *July 1* of each year. Any member failing to pay dues by ~~September 1~~ *October 1* shall, after notification, be dropped from the membership rolls.

Article IX Section 4: To be added at the end of the current text: *A paper copy of each board meeting's minutes shall be retained by the secretary. Paper copies of financial records shall be retained by the treasurer. Paper copies of studies, action, and reports shall be retained in files by the president.*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: Board, League of Women Voters Curry County

RE: Slate of Board and Nominating Committee Candidates

As requested, here is the list of LWVCC Board and Nominating Committee Candidates for 2014-2015:

President	Lucie La Bonté	2015
Vice President	Alyssa Babin	2016
Secretary	Charlie Alexander	2016 (will revisit in 2015)
Treasurer	Kathi Lindsay	2015
Director	Kathy Wilson	2016

Nominating Committee:

Chair	Karen Jennings	2016
Member	Linda Elfman	2016
Member	Charlene Enoch	2016

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Nowlin,
Chair, Nominating Committee

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May and June 2014		
Port Orford Unit Meeting	May 13; 1 to 3 PM	Port Orford Library
Brookings and Gold Beach Merged Unit Meeting	May 15; 5:30 - 7 PM	Gold Beach City Hall
LWVCC Board Meeting	May 20; 1 to 3 PM	Finish Line Office Svcs. Gold Beach
LWVCC Annual Meeting	Jun 14; 9:30 AM	Curry Cty Fairgrounds, Gold Beach

Membership Invitation

WE NEED YOU WITH US!

JOIN NOW!

Name/Names _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

____\$60 ONE-YEAR individual membership is due on July 1 of the current year.

____\$90 HOUSEHOLD (for one-year membership for the current year) for two members who share an address

____YES, I would like to receive *CoastLines* by email, saving LWVCC over \$10 a year in postage and printing.

Please make your dues checks payable LWVCC, listing the year (2013-2014) on your check, and return with this application form to: LWVCC Treasurer; 36858 Highway 101; Port Orford, OR 97465

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