

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HONOLULU
EDUCATION FUND
MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
October 4, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by President Robin Loomis. The meeting was held at the League office, 49 S. Hotel St., #314, Honolulu, Hawaii, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

ESTABLISH A QUORUM: A quorum was established. In attendance were Jean Aoki, Helen Griffin, Piilani Kaopuiki, Robin Loomis, Elizabeth Reilly, Carol Whitesell and Donna Wong. Sue Miller and Debbie Lau Okamura were absent.

MINUTES OF THE September 6, 2012, MEETING: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as circulated. Kaopuiki expressed her appreciation to Griffin for recording and circulating the minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss questions submitted by Sue Miller for Olelo taping, Saturday morning, October 6, 2012, Jarrett Intermediate School in Palolo. Doors open at 10 a.m., taping from 10:30 - 11:00a.m. – No changes were made for the panel consisting of Robin Loomis, Debbie Lau Okamura and Sue Miller.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Project proposal to fund 12 one-half hour Olelo Programs in 2013 - Project Approval Request Form submitted Oct 3 by Elizabeth Reilly. The new project is titled: “Making Democracy Work – Olelo monthly LWV-Honolulu show 2013”. The theme of the first shows would be classic League taken from the League brochure. Reilly stated the request is for \$300.00 EdFund support for studio fees, technician support and supplies for 12 months. Funds would be drawn quarterly. Griffin motioned for approval and the board supported unanimously.

Aoki volunteered to consult over a “democracy” theme.

Wong volunteered to consult on a program idea of “why have quasi- government agencies when there are already cabinet level government agencies overseeing the same areas of responsibility”. Wong also suggested a show on the Citizen’s Guide to Development Plans.

2. Project proposal to fund an essay and video contest. Project Approval Request Form submitted Oct 4 by Janet Mason. The new project is titled: "Money In Politics Video & Essay Contest". The project is co-sponsored by League of Hawaii and Common Cause Hawaii. Mason writes, "The project proposes to capitalize on the November 2012 elections, when voters are more aware of the high cost of financing public elections. It is our sincere hope that it will also engage young people in learning more about this issue, while sharing their ideas with a broader population of voting adults." The contest will be targeted to high school and college students. Entries will be reviewed and judged with winners notified at the end of November. Prize money will be awarded. Common Cause is prepared to absorb 50% of the total project cost, approximately \$2,000. The project request is for \$1,000.00 EdFund support for League's share of administrative costs, volunteer expenses, prize money and plaques. In a telephone conversation with the board, Mason, on speaker phone, was informed that EdFund only reimburses for expenses. EdFund does not pay prior to expenditure.

Griffin motioned for approval to not squelch this worthy project. The board supported unanimously. The board also informed Mason, during the telephone conversation, that if the project succeeds, she should consider returning to the EdFund with a supplemental request to support enhanced publicity for the winners. The board also would like Mason to agree to one Olelo show on her project. She agreed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Reilly informed the board that the two speakers selected for the Monson event on Feb 10, 13, are specialists in disaster preparedness as it relates to planning and use of land.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 1, 2012, 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by Piilani Kaopuiki
Secretary