



# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®

OF FREMONT NEWARK AND UNION CITY

“Because democracy is not a spectator sport”

## Call to the Annual Meeting

**Saturday, June 10, 2017**  
**9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose  
43326 Mission Boulevard.  
Fremont, CA 94539

Full Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. - \$13.00  
Skipping breakfast? Be sure to arrive by 9:30 a.m.  
Guests are invited.



Anu Natarajan will lead a conversation with our guest speaker, Senator Bob Wieckowski. Mr. Wieckowski represents the 10<sup>th</sup> Senate District in the California State Legislature.

Senator Wieckowski will talk about the infrastructure plans and funding, affordable housing and state of some of his bills. He will also talk about the elections next year and what Californians can hope to see

Use our on-line registration system to register for the Annual Meeting at: [lwvfnc.org/meeting](http://lwvfnc.org/meeting). Here you can register for just the meeting or breakfast and the meeting. You do not need to have a PayPal account to register and pay online just click on Pay with Debit or Credit Card. You can also register and pay by cash or check from our online registration system. Lastly, you may also pay at the meeting by cash or check made out to LWVFNUC.

### **Registration with Breakfast not accepted after Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

Pre-payment of annual dues is encouraged. A drawing for a free 1 year membership (2018 - 2019) will be held for all prepaid members at the meeting.

**The meeting should conclude by 11:30 a.m.**

Directions:

1. Go South on Mission Blvd. from the intersection of Stevenson and Mission Blvds.
2. Just south of Mission San Jose, turn left on Mission Tierra.
3. From Mission Tierra turn left on Dominican Terrace. Follow the signs for parking.
4. Park in the Upper East parking lot. Meeting place is directly in front of the parking lot.

## June 10, 2017 Annual Meeting Order of Business

Call to Order	Syeda Inamdar
Introductions	
Introduction of Parliamentarian	
Appoint Minutes Approval Committee	Syeda Inamdar
Credentials Report	Evelyn La Torre
Adoption of the Rules of the Day	Syeda Inamdar
Adoption of Order of Business	Syeda Inamdar
President's Report	Pauline Weaver
By-laws Changes	Pauline Weaver
Proposal, Discussion and Adoption	
Treasurer's Report	Peter Starr
Motion: Increase annual membership dues to \$70 for individuals and \$100 for household membership	Peter Starr
Presentation of Proposed Budget	Peter Starr
Motion, Discussion and Adoption of Budget	
Adoption of Recommended Program	
Re-adoption of local and regional positions Issue for Emphasis Consideration and Adoption of Action Priorities	Carolyn Hedgecock Anu Natarajan Alex Starr
Report of the Nominating Committee	Andrea Schacter
Nominations from the floor Election of Officers and Directors	
Introduction of the New Board	Syeda Inamdar
Advice to the Board	Syeda Inamdar
Update from last year Direction to the Board	
Adjournment	

# **Rules of the Day**

## **VOTING**

Voting is limited to members of the League of Women Voters of Fremont, Newark and Union City. Each member shall be entitled to one vote only. Absentee or proxy voting is not permitted.

## **QUORUM**

A quorum for the annual meeting shall consist of 15 percent of members.

## **ADOPTION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF THE DAY**

A majority vote is required to adopt the Order of Business and the Rules of the Day. Both the Rules of the Day and the Order of Business may be amended by a majority vote before adoption. After adoption, a two-thirds (2/3) vote is required to make changes.

## **DEBATE**

Debate shall be limited to two (2) minutes for each speaker. No person may speak twice to a question until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity to do so.

## **ADOPTION OF BUDGET**

A majority vote of members present and voting is required to adopt the budget.

## **ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS**

A two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present and voting is required to amend the by-laws.

## **ADOPTION OF PROGRAM**

Debate and voting on proposed program will occur first, then on non-recommended items in the order in which consideration was voted. Wording of local program items may be amended by a majority vote of members present and voting, provided that the amendment does not enlarge the scope or change the intent of the program item.

## **NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

Immediately following the presentation of the nominating committee report, nominations may be made from the floor, provided that the consent of the nominee has been obtained.

## **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

The privilege of the floor is extended to guest members from other Leagues. This includes participation in discussion and debate but not in voting.

# **Proposed Bylaws Amendment**

## **League of Women Voters of Fremont, Newark and Union City**

Background: During the 2016 LWWVUS National Convention, delegates approved amendments to Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws pertaining to Types of Membership. Requirements around voting membership in League were changed. Voting membership is now open to non-citizens and to individuals 16 years of age or older. As League policy requires consistency in the first three articles of the Bylaws of all Leagues, this memorandum explains how state and local Leagues and ILO's should amend their own bylaws to reflect those of LWWVUS.

Each League board should review and approve the language. Because this is a conforming amendment, it is not necessary to bring this issue to all members. Please note that Leagues cannot specify something different than the amendment approved at the LWWVUS National Convention.

The previous language read:

### **Article III, Section 2. Types of Membership.**

A. *Voting Members.* Citizens at least 18 years of age who join the League shall be voting members of local Leagues, state Leagues and of the LWWVUS;

(1) individuals who live within an area of a local League may join that League or any other local League;

(2) those who reside outside the area of any local League may join a local League or shall be state members-at-large; (3) those who have been members of the League for 50 years or more shall be life members excused from the payment of dues.

B. *Associate Members.* All others who join the League shall be associate members.

The new language as approved at the LWWVUS National Convention reads:

### **Article III, Section 2. Types of Membership.**

A. *Voting Members.* Persons at least 16 years of age who join the League shall be voting members of local Leagues, state Leagues, and of the LWWVUS;

(1) those who live within an area of a local League may join that League or any other local League;

(2) those who reside outside the area of any local League may join a local League or be state members-at-large; (3) those who have been members of the League for 50 years or more shall be life members excused from the payment of dues.

B. *Associate Members.* All others who join the League shall be associate members.

## PROPOSED LWVFNUC BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

Category Description	Actual 10 Mths	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Comments
<b>REVENUE</b>	*	*	*	*
<b>Collected Dues</b>	5,940.00	5,900.00	<b>6,700.00</b>	Based on current membership (Approx 110) and assuming dues increase is approved
<b>Unrestricted Donations</b>	*	*	*	*
Member Donations	151.00	1,000.00	<b>1,000.00</b>	Need Active Fund Raising
NM/Business Donations	200.00	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Local Business Donations
<b>Fundraising Activities</b>	*	*	*	*
Election Services	196.17	70.00	<b>70.00</b>	Poll Workers
Home Owner Assoc. Elections	826.00	1,000.00	<b>1,000.00</b>	Home Owners Association Elections
Voter Registration Affidavits	0	1,000.00	<b>1,000.00</b>	Funds expected from Registrar of Voter
<b>Other Income</b>	368.55	*	*	Miscellaneous Revenues
<b>Interest</b>	0	20.00	<b>50.00</b>	Earnings on CD Account with Fremont Bank
<b>Reserves</b>	*	5,990.00	<b>7,475.00</b>	Amount needed to break even
<b>TOTAL BUDGET REVENUES</b>	*	17,030.00	<b>17,345.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	*	*	*	*
<b>Operating Costs</b>	*	*	*	*
Office Rent	760.00	700.00	<b>760.00</b>	Our Share of Estimated Costs for Running the Office
Office Supplies & Equipment	0	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	For our League Office
P.O. Box Rent	0	130.00	<b>135.00</b>	P.O. Box Rental Fee
Telephone/Internet	749.48	625.00	<b>900.00</b>	For Office, Answering Service, and Internet
Taxes & Fees	0	20.00	<b>20.00</b>	California SOS - SI-100 filing fee
Insurance	0	300.00	<b>300.00</b>	Liability Insurance offered through state league
Website Services	310.40	300.00	<b>300.00</b>	Web-site Hosting, Domain Registration, and Gmail
Bank Charges	53.80	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	New Checkbook and other fees
Paypal Fees	0	75.00	<b>50.00</b>	Payments to PayPal for processing credit card payments
<b>Admin &amp; Membership</b>	*	*	*	*
President	0	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Expenses that the President may incur
Board Expenses	0	100.00	<b>100.00</b>	Includes print costs for Board, Observers, and Annual Retreat
Membership Committee	0	200.00	<b>200.00</b>	Membership Outreach/Membership Renewal
Membership Brochure	0	300.00	<b>300.00</b>	Printing Expenses
Membership Directory	203.67	300.00	<b>250.00</b>	Handbook & Postage

## PROPOSED LWVFNUC BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

Category Description	Actual 10 Mths	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Comments
<b>Conventions &amp; Workshops</b>	*	*	*	*
Conventions	0	3,000.00	<b>3,000.00</b>	Even Years are National, Odd Years are State
Workshops	150.00	150.00	<b>150.00</b>	Costs for members to attend meetings not in Tri-City Area
<b>League Financial Support (PMP)</b>	*	*	*	*
PMP - National	3,024.00	3,100.00	<b>3,100.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$32.00, Household \$16.00
PMP - State	2,646.00	2,700.00	<b>2,800.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$28.00, Household \$14.00
PMP - LWVBA	94.50	110.00	<b>110.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$1.00
Supported Memberships	0	120.00	<b>120.00</b>	Scholarships, Free Renewals from Drawing at Annual Meeting, other free memberships granted by the Board.
<b>Meetings</b>	*	*	*	*
Meeting-Hospitality	0	200.00	<b>200.00</b>	Coffee, Food, Beverages, Etc.)
Annual Membership Meeting	0	250.00	<b>400.00</b>	Printing of Meeting Handouts, Speaker's Breakfast, Printing and Postage for the Call to Annual Meeting
Meetings-Facilities	585.45	200.00	<b>200.00</b>	Room Charges for Meetings and/or Donations
<b>Voter &amp; Committees</b>	*	*	*	*
Voter Newsletter	126.05	500.00	<b>350.00</b>	Expenses to publish 10 issues of the Voter, including Postage
Program Committees	0	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Studies (Energy, Local, Etc.)
Ed Committee	0	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Various Studies
Action Committee	0	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Advocacy and Outreach
Publicity	50.00	50.00	<b>100.00</b>	Flyers, Tri-City Voice
<b>Smart Voter &amp; Voter Service</b>	*	*	*	*
Smart Voter	0	800.00	<b>800.00</b>	Smart Voter/Voter's Edge Donation
Voter Service - Misc.	0	400.00	<b>400.00</b>	Local Pros & Cons, Easy Voter Guide
Voter Service Forums	3,230.66	2,000.00	<b>2,000.00</b>	Candidate forums, Room Charges, Projects, etc.
<b>TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES</b>	*	17,030.00	<b>17,345.00</b>	

## **Proposed Program and Issues for Emphasis**

### **League of Women Voters of Fremont, Newark and Union City**

#### **General Background**

Our League has local government, environment, social and education positions. Alameda County Council has positions on children's health and Alameda County education. Positions are the basis for any action or advocacy by the League.

**NO CHANGES TO OUR EXISTING LOCAL POSITIONS WERE SUGGESTED BY MEMBERS OR THE BOARD FOR THE COMING YEAR AT OUR ANNUAL PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING.**

Members are asked to consider re-adopting all local positions. The full text of all local positions can be found in the Membership Directory and Information Handbook or on our website at: [www.lwvfnuc.org/public/localpositions.pdf](http://www.lwvfnuc.org/public/localpositions.pdf).

Members are further asked to re-adopt all LWV Bay Area positions. These can be found at: [www.lwvbayarea.org/advocacy.html#positions](http://www.lwvbayarea.org/advocacy.html#positions).

At the Program Planning meeting members sent the following Issues for Emphasis to LWVUS:

1. Campaign Finance Reform
2. Gun Violence Prevention

Members also wanted emphasis at the state and local level on:

1. New ways to obtain funds for affordable housing – to replace the use of redevelopment funds that are no longer available.
2. Novel suggestions for campaign financing on a state level
3. Allocation of water resources in California emphasizing agricultural vs. urban water use.

## **Action Group Watch List 2017-2018**

### **Education and Juvenile Justice**

Monitor impact and implementation of State legislation on our local schools.  
Monitor land use issues with regard to school facilities, especially near TOD.  
Encourage implementation of AB 537, the Safe Schools Act of 2000.

### **Land Use**

Monitor Fremont Central Business District issues including Washington Healthcare District and the Family Resource Center.  
Monitor Patterson Ranch issues.  
Monitor Warm Springs land development issues near BART and nearby commercial area.  
Monitor issues of private open space (Fremont).  
Monitor effect of increased housing units on transportation and schools.

### **Ongoing**

Monitor local elected and appointed bodies including Brown Act issues.  
Support development of affordable housing.  
Assist Voter Service with forums and facilitate educating the public on local election issues.  
Conduct LWVC legislative interviews.  
Interview local newly elected or appointed officials in Tri-City area. Post online.  
Support use of LWVC community college positions.  
Monitor local implementation of environmental quality issues.

### **Alameda County**

Monitor Measure A (Health issues). \*  
Monitor transportation issues that affect Tri-City area.  
Monitor mental health issues and services. \*  
Monitor Alameda County budget. \*  
\* - indicates cooperation with Alameda County Council of Leagues

### **LWVBA**

Monitor local decisions for regional impacts in housing, transportation, land use, and regional governance.  
Send a representative to LWVBA Interleague network.

### **LWVC**

Support LWVC legislative priorities and Calls to Action.



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 (LWVFNUC)  
 REPORT FROM NOMINATING COMMITTEE  
 MAY 1, 2017**

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Andrea Schacter (chair), Evelyn LaTorre and Kathy Steel-Sabo, met in March, 2017 to begin the process of nominating LWVFNUC officers and directors for the next two-year term—July, 2017 through June, 2019. We continued our task via telephone and email, until developing the slate below.

According to our by-laws, in odd numbered years, (of which 2017 is one), the following offices needed nominees: President, VP of Voter Services and Secretary. Additionally, the by-laws allow for up to 11 Directors. The total number of board members, including all officers and directors, must be an odd number.

The Nominating Committee is grateful to all who agreed to be nominated for these board positions, and who, if elected by the membership at our annual meeting in June, will allow our League to thrive and meet the challenges and obligations facing us during the next two years.

We submit the following slate of candidates, all of whom have agreed to be nominated:

**Officers:**

President.....	Syeda Inamdar	2017-2019
Vice President of Voter Services.....	Sets Amann	2017-2019
Secretary.....	Mary Miller	2017-2019

**Directors:**

Membership Chair.....	Evelyn LaTorre	2017-2019
Voter Editor.....	Alexandra Starr	2017-2019
Director at Large.....	Kathy Bray	2017-2019
Director at Large.....	Sam Neeman	2017-2019
Director at Large .....	Shirley Gilbert	2017-2019
Director at Large.....	Jo Szeto	2017-2019
Director at Large.....	Andrea Schacter	2017-2019

**Nominating Committee**

Chair.....	Andrea Schacter	2017-2018
Member.....	Evelyn La Torre	2017-2018
Member .....	Kathy Steel-Sabo	2017-2018

To all nominees, the membership wishes to thank you for stepping up so that our League remains a strong, vital and respected part of our community.

**INTRODUCING THE NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
AND 2018 NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

<b><u>OFFICERS</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>TERM</u></b>
President	Syeda Inamdar	2017-2019
Administrative VP	Miriam Keller	2017-2018
Voter Service VP	Sets Amann	2017-2019
Co-Program VP	Carolyn Hedgecock	2016-2018
Co-Program VP	Anu Natarajan	2016-2018
Treasurer	Peter Starr	2016-2018
Secretary	Mary Miller	2017-2019

**DIRECTORS**

Membership Chair	Evelyn LaTorre	2017-2019
Voter Editor	Alexandra Starr	2017-2019
Director at Large	Kathy Bray	2017-2019
Director at Large	Sam Neeman	2017-2019