



# 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, 2023**

**9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Starting with our speaker**

Acacia Creek  
34400 Mission Blvd.  
Union City, CA 94587

Buffet Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. - \$15.00  
Skipping breakfast? Be sure to arrive by 9:00 a.m.  
Guests are invited.



Bob Wieckowski was appointed to the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board on January 11, 2023, by Senate President pro Tempore, Toni G. Atkins. Prior to his appointment, in 2014, Senator Wieckowski was elected as a member of the California State Senate, representing District 10, where he served two terms in the California State Legislature.

Before his career in public service, as a small business owner and bankruptcy attorney, Senator Wieckowski helped hundreds of families and seniors persevere through economic hardship, keep their homes, and live with dignity. He began his career in public service working as a policy aide to Congressman Don Edward, where he worked on the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978, which created new reorganizing tools for business and individuals. Before being elected to the Legislature, he served on numerous boards and commissions, was elected in 2004 as City Councilman and eventually served as Vice-Mayor in the City of Fremont.

In 2010, Robert Wieckowski was elected to the California State Assembly to represent the 20th Assembly District, where he served as Chair of the Committee on Environment Safety and Toxic Materials. In 2012, he was elected to represent the 25th Assembly District.

Robert Wieckowski earned his B.A. in political science from University of California Berkeley and earned his J.D. degree from Santa Clara University School of Law.

### TO REGISTER

To register and prepay for the buffet breakfast online, go to our website at [lwvfrnuc.org](http://lwvfrnuc.org) and click the “Prepay with Credit Card” link under “2023 Annual Meeting”. You do not need to have a PayPal account to pay online with a credit card. If you wish to pay by check go to our website, [lwvfrnuc.org](http://lwvfrnuc.org) and click on “Pay with Cash or Check”. Use cash or check made out to LWVFNUC to pay at the door. **Registration with Breakfast not accepted after May 31, 2023.**

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

## June 10, 2023 Annual Meeting Order of Business

Call to Order	Angelina Reyes
Introductions	
Introduction of Parliamentarian	
Appointments:	Angelina Reyes
Committee to Approve the Minutes	
Budget Adjustment Committee	
Credentials Report	Dennis Godden
Adoption of the Rules of the Day	Angelina Reyes
Adoption of Order of Business	Angelina Reyes
President's Report	Angelina Reyes
By-laws Changes	None
Treasurer's Report	Peter Starr/Syeda Inamdar
Presentation of Proposed Budget	Syeda Inamdar/Peter Starr
Motion, Discussion and Adoption of Budget	
Membership Benefits of Club Express	Dennis Godden
Adoption of Recommended Program	
Re-adoption of local and regional positions	Andrea Schacter
Issues for Emphasis	
Consideration and Adoption of Action Priorities	Miriam Keller
Report of the Nominating Committee	Kay Emanuele
Nominations from the floor	
Election of Officers and Directors	
Introduction of the New Board	Angelina Reyes
Advice to the Board	Angelina Reyes
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 LWVFNUC BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023**

	<b>Actual 07/22 03/23</b>	<b>Fiscal 2022-2023 Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2023- 2024</b>	
<b>REVENUE</b>	*	*	*	*
<b>Collected Dues</b>	6,580.00	6,400.00	<b>6,000.00</b>	Based on current membership (Approx 100)
<b>Unrestricted Donations</b>				
Member Donations	210.00	1,000.00	<b>2,000.00</b>	Need Active Fund Raising
NM/Business Donations	245.00	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Local Business Donations
<b>Restricted Donations</b>	*	*	*	
In-Kind Donations	*	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Supplies Donated by Members
<b>Voter Information Book</b>	*	*	*	
VIB Revenues	77,000.00	97,000.00	*	Gross Revenues from Voter Information Booklet
<b>Youth Voter Movement</b>	*	*	*	
YVM Revenues	*	*	*	Revenue for merchandise and other charges
YVM Donations	3010.02	900.00	<b>700.00</b>	Expected YVM Donations and Grants
<b>Annual Meeting Revenues</b>	*	*	<b>600.00</b>	Collection for AM Breakfast (15x40)
<b>Fundraising Activities</b>	*	*	*	
Other Fund-Raising Rev.	*	50.00	<b>100.00</b>	Miscellaneous fundraising
Home Owner Assoc. Elections	*	50.00	*	Home Owners Association Elections
Voter Registration Affidavits	*	*	*	Contract with ROV has not been finalized
<b>Other Income</b>	*	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Miscellaneous Revenues
<b>Interest</b>	*	20.00	<b>1,000.00</b>	Earnings on Savings Account with Poppy Bank
<b>Reserves</b>	*	5,731.00	<b>14,474.00</b>	Amount needed to break even
	*	*	*	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	87,045.02	111,301.00	<b>25,024.00</b>	

	<b>Actual 07/22 03/23</b>	<b>Fiscal 2022-2023 Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2023-2024</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	*	*	*	*
<b>Operating Costs</b>				
Office Rent	1,025.00	900.00	<b>1,200.00</b>	Our Share of Estimated Costs for Running the Office
Office Supplies & Equipment	*	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	For our League Office
P.O. Box Rent	*	176.00	<b>240.00</b>	P.O. Box Rental Fee
Telephone/Internet	918.91	1,100.00	<b>1,400.00</b>	For Office, Answering Service, and Internet
Taxes & Fees	41.00	20.00	<b>100.00</b>	California SOS - SI-100 filing fee
Accounting Services	1,500.00	3,000.00	<b>3,500.00</b>	Tax Consulting and Accounting Software
Insurance	51.26	60.00	<b>60.00</b>	Liability Insurance offered through state league
Website Services	3,424.80	4,000.00	<b>1,000.00</b>	Zoom, Web-site Hosting and Domain Registration
Club Express	*	*	<b>600.00</b>	Anticipated Monthly Subscription
Bank Charges	64.00	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Bank fees that may occur
Paypal Fees	71.84	130.00	<b>100.00</b>	Payments to PayPal for processing credit card payments
<b>Admin &amp; Membership</b>				
President	*	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Expenses that the President may incur
Board Expenses	*	100.00	<b>100.00</b>	Includes print costs for Board, Observers, and Annual Retreat
Membership Committee	*	200.00	<b>250.00</b>	Membership Outreach/Membership Renewal
Membership Brochure	*	*	<b>100.00</b>	Printing Expenses
Membership Directory	443.36	275.00	<b>250.00</b>	Handbook & Postage
<b>Conventions &amp; Workshops</b>				
Conventions	*	3,000.00	<b>3,500.00</b>	Even Years are National, Odd Years are State
Workshops	*	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	2,450.00	3,200.00	<b>2,500.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$32.00, Household \$16.00
PMP - State	2,800.00	2,900.00	<b>2,900.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$28.00, Household \$14.00

	<b>Actual 07/22 03/23</b>	<b>Fiscal 2022-2023 Budget</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2023-2024</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	*	*	*	*
PMP - LWVBA	262.50	300.00	<b>270.00</b>	Per Member Fee \$1.50
Supported Memberships	30.00	100.00	<b>70.00</b>	Scholarships, Free Renewals from Drawing at Annual Meeting
<b>Meetings</b>	*	*	*	*
Meeting-Hospitality	325.13	250.00	<b>500.00</b>	Food, Beverages and “We Care” fund.
Annual Membership Meeting	*	300.00	<b>600.00</b>	Printing of Meeting Handouts, Speaker's Breakfast, Printing and Postage for the Call to Annual Meeting
Meetings-Facilities	144.00	200.00	<b>200.00</b>	Room Charges for Meetings
<b>Voter Information Book</b>	59,716.14	85,000.00	*	Gross Expenses from Voter Information Booklet – none for 2023-2024 fiscal year
<b>Voter &amp; Committees</b>				
Voter Newsletter	*	20.00	*	
Program Committees	*	50.00	<b>200.00</b>	Additional Event/Program Expenses
Action Committee	*	50.00	<b>50.00</b>	Advocacy and Outreach
Publicity	*	500.00	<b>500.00</b>	Flyers, Advertising, Outreach
<b>Voter Service</b>	*	*	*	*
Voters Edge Donation	*	1,500.00	<b>1,500.00</b>	Voters Edge Donation
Voter Service Outreach	131.32	400.00	<b>50.00</b>	Local Pros & Cons, Easy Voter Guide
Voter Service Forums	3,025.93	200.00	<b>100.00</b>	Candidate forums, Room Charges, Projects, etc.
YVM Expenses	601.01	1,000.00	<b>2,614.00</b>	\$114 Web Hosting, \$1500 Registration Drive Supplies, \$1000 Website Improvements
<b>Lobbying Activities</b>	*	20.00	<b>20.00</b>	Estimated
<b>Philanthropic / Community Fund</b>	2,500.00	2,000.00	<b>250.00</b>	
<b>Unbudgeted Expense</b>	85.40	50.00	*	Current year expense from categories that will be inactive during the next fiscal year.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>79,611.60</b>	<b>111,301.00</b>	<b>25,024.00</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.

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 [lwvfnuc.org](http://lwvfnuc.org). Choose "ABOUT" from the website menu and click "Local Positions".

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

At the Program Planning meeting held on January 28, 2023, approximately 10 members attended. We were asked by LWVC to choose LWVFNUC's top 3 Issues for Emphasis for the state League to focus their efforts on during the next two years—2023 through 2025. Additionally, we were asked to include a statement about how we want LWVC to act regarding each issue. Members decided to submit 5 Issues for Emphasis, as we could not come to consensus on only three. Thus, we submitted the following Issues for Emphasis to LWVC. Additionally, we decided to focus on these same issues at the local level, while agreeing that we will maintain flexibility when responding to local issues, as vital local items may arise that we will want to act upon in programming, advocacy or education efforts.

1. **Combating Climate Change** -Support legislation/initiative that reduces the impact of climate change in our state.
2. **Gun Violence Prevention** - Initiate and/or support legislation/proposal that has the effect of reducing gun violence in our state.
3. **Criminal Justice Reform** - This includes the issues of the militarization of police, racial justice, use of force and reimagined juvenile justice. We suggest that the state League initiate and/or support legislation/proposal that has a good chance of resulting in positive change and reduction of police brutality.
4. **Housing Crisis and Homelessness** - Support legislation/proposal that increases the availability of housing at all income levels, especially very low, low, and moderate-income levels. Additionally, policy standards regarding housing should be consistent among all cities in the state. Regarding homelessness, we suggest the state League assist/support the legislature in developing innovative and creative solutions in responding to the homelessness crisis.
5. **Making Democracy Work** - While we understand that this is an ongoing area of emphasis, we offer the following: We believe that civics education in schools, as well as among adults outside of school, provides vital knowledge about how government and this country works. We would like the state League to help local Leagues develop a program that can be taken to schools and community groups to provide civics education. Continuing to engage youth in the voting process is critically important.

# Action Group Watch List 2023-2024

## Education and Juvenile Justice

- Monitor impact and implementation of State legislation on our local schools. Monitor land use issues regarding school facilities, especially near TOD.
- Encourage implementation of AB 537, the Safe Schools Act of 2000.
- Monitor Juvenile Justice Reform as part overall Criminal Justice Reform. \*

## Land Use

- Monitor land and environmental use.
- Monitor issues of private open space in TriCity Area.
- 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 to newsletter and on our website.
- Monitor local implementation of environmental quality issues.

## Alameda County/TriCity Area

- Monitor Measure A (Health Care Services) Measure A1 (Affordable Housing). \*
- Monitor transportation issues that affect Tri-City area. Monitor mental health issues and services. \*
- Monitor Alameda County budget. \*
- Monitor ACWD (Alameda County Water District). \*
- Monitor Union Sanitary District. \*
- Monitor Oversight of Public Protection Agencies (AB1185 and related). \*
- Monitor issues related to Registrar of Voters. \*

\* = indicates cooperation with Alameda County Council of League of Women Voters

## 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.

## LWVUS

- Support LWVUS legislative priorities and Calls to Action.
- Support Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion efforts in all aspects of civic life.



## Nominating Committee Report – May 2, 2023

The Nominating Committee submits the following slate of nominees for election as officers and directors in addition to all Board positions for clarity.

<b><u>BOARD POSITIONS</u></b>	<b><u>ROLE(S)</u></b>	<b><u>NOMINEE 2023</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT MEMBER</u></b>	<b><u>TERM</u></b>
<b><u>OFFICERS</u></b>				
<b>President</b>	ACC Rep.	Angelina Reyes Dennis Godden	Angelina Reyes	2023 - 2025
<b>Voter Services V. P.</b>		OPEN	Sets Amann (Acting)	2023 - 2025
<b>Secretary</b>		Rita Manning	Rita Manning	2023 – 2025
<b>Admin. V. P.</b>			Sam Neeman	2022 - 2024
<b>Program V. P.</b>			Andrea Schacter	2022 - 2024
<b>Treasurer (1 year)</b>		Ron Nusenoff	Peter Starr	2023 - 2024
<b><u>DIRECTORS</u></b>				
<b>Director</b>	Voter Editor D.E.I. (begin 7/2023)	Giana Udoh	Evelyn LaTorre Jane Mueller	2023 – 2025
<b>Director</b>	Historian	Patricia Schaffarczyk	Patricia Schaffarczyk	2023 - 2025
<b>Director</b>	Communications	OPEN	Ruth Narayan (resigned)	2023 - 2025
<b>Director</b>	Social Media	OPEN	Fatima Khawaja (resigned)	2023 - 2025
<b>Director</b>		OPEN		2023 -2025
<b>Director</b>		OPEN		2023 -2025
<b>Director - (1 year)</b>	Membership	Linda Dewlaney	Dennis Godden (resigned)	2023 - 2024
<b>Director</b>	H.O.A.		Carolyn Hedgecock	2022 - 2024
<b>Director</b>	Action Co-Chair		Miriam Keller	2022 - 2024
<b>Director</b>	Action Co-Chair		Syeda Inamdar	2022 - 2024
<b>Director</b>		OPEN		2022 - 2024

**We also submit the following to serve on the 2024 Nominating Committee:**

Kathy Kimberlin (Chair, Open, Open)

Our League is fortunate to have volunteers working directly with our Board as follows:

**Hospitality** – Evelyn LaTorre and Lynn Locher

**Membership** – Elaine Sanchez

Respectfully,

Kay Emanuele (Chair), Lynn Locher, Sybil Smith & Board members Dennis Godden & Patricia Schaffarczyk

**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