

**League of Women Voters – Grand Traverse Area
Annual Board Planning Retreat
Donna Hornberger’s home
6730 Mission Ridge
Traverse City, Mi 49686**

Monday, June 13, 2011 9:30 AM

Welcome and introductions

Approval of the Minutes:

B. Berry/J. Watts moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2011. **Approved**

M. Grover/J. Watts moved to approve the 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes as corrected. **Approved**

Approval of the Appointed Board Members

M. Grover/I. Brophy moved the appointment of the following members to the Board for 2011-2012:

Inara Kurt	Kathryn Dean
Beverly Newson	Mary Beeker
Barbara Ort-Smith	Mary Lee Orr

Approved

The Basics

*LWV Mission and Principles

*Non Partisan Policy

The President appointed a committee: P. Laarman, A Wettlauer, I. Kurt to propose revisions to the Non Partisan Policy

*The LWVMI and LWVUS chain of command was reviewed.

*The President should be notified ahead of time when letters to the editor, contacts with legislators, emails, and action alerts are to be sent.

*Reimbursement Policy. J. Howard

Forms and procedures were reviewed.

*Dues reminders will be sent in two weeks.

*FY 10 Leadership List was reviewed

*FY 10 Calendar was reviewed

Programs Planning for 2011-12

September 28 General Membership Meeting: Report from The Education Committee on Public School Academies.

Other suggestions: Consensus on LWVUS Federal role in Education, Consensus meetings on Leelanau’s Energy and Migrant Worker studies

*Voter Service
TBD

Leelanau Unit

Work on new studies: Energy and Migrant Workers

Benzie Unit

Will recess until September

LWVUS Convention June 8 – 12, 2012 Washington D.C.

Budget J. Howard

Cash on hand 6/12/2011	\$12,979.58
Education Fund 6/12/11	\$ 3,899.89

Fundraising

Wreath sales Chrm: I. Brophy and J. Watts
Holiday Openhouse
 Dec. 3 in TC J. Howard's home
 Leelanau
 Benzie
Voter sponsorships B. Newson

Directory/Handbook

Need someone to take this over

Voter B. Berry

The Voters will be reduced from eight to six issues:

Jan/Feb
Mar/Apr
July
September
October
Nov/Dec

Sponsorships will still be \$100

Board Members will be asked to write articles for the Voter

Committees

*Education I. Kurt

The Committee will meet at R. Alff's home on Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at 3:00 PM to plan a program panel discussion on Public School Academies for the September General Meeting.

*Natural Resource Committee ML. Orr

A committee will be formed to work on facilitating a joint effort by the leagues in other Great Lakes states to create Great Lakes Ecosystem positions in their states. LWVMi Board will assist in this effort.

Annual Meeting 2012

Suggestions:

- Introduce the Board
- Award presentations with press coverage and photos
- Publicity before and after
- Recruit a manager for this event
- Suggestions for speakers:

GRAM Sustainable Environment

Keith Charters

-Location: It was moved by V. Mikesell/P. Laarman to hold the 2012 Annual Meeting at the Top of the Park. **Approved** L. Crandall will make the contact.

Membership

V. Mikesell and J. Howard will maintain a data base

Publicity

Public Service Announcements will be handled by L. Crandall

Website: Mary Beeker

Other

V. Mikesell requested that an agenda and Board packet be sent in advance of Board Meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM

A potluck lunch was served.

Submitted by Pat Laarman, Secretary