July 14, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
Conducted remotely using Zoom

Present: Chris Clements, Joan Provencher, Maria Spinozzi, Jean Jacobson, Georgiana Hernandez, Bonnie Chang, Joan Schwarz, Barb Feeney, Pat Patterson, Lisa Janairo, Amber Rotier

Absent: Laura Grueneberg

Meeting called to order by President Chris Clements at 5:32pm

1. Approval of June minutes
   Minutes were approved. Motion: Hernandez, second Jacobson, approved

2. Discussion Agenda (no consent agenda this meeting due to focused discussion of DEI Committee report)

   • Appointment of Board Members - Chris Clements
     ○ Advocacy Director - Joan Schwarz
     ○ DEI Director - Lisa Janairo
     ○ Program Director - Pat Patterson
     ○ Request for nominating committee members--Joan Provencher and Amber Rotier volunteered
     Motion by Clements to approve the above appointments, seconded by Hernandez, approved

   • Approval of Finance Advisory Committee access to Schwab Account - Jean Jacobson

     Motion by Jacobson to approve the following persons to have the indicated access to the Memorial Trust Fund Investment account currently held at Charles Schwab Investments: Jean Jacobson, Helen Horn and Sally Carpenter to have full access including initiating trades and withdrawals from the account and Susan Dietzel to have view only access to the account. Seconded by Spinozzi, approved

   • Approval of programs - Georgiana Hernandez

     Motion by Hernandez, seconded by Janairo to accept possible panelists for the Sept 1, 2021 forum on redistricting: Doug Poland, Attorney with Law Forward (most up-to-date legal information/strategy on gerrymandering in Wisconsin);
Sarah Lloyd, President of the Columbia County Farmers Union (farmer/rural perspective on impact of gerrymandering); Justice Peche, Native Vote Fellow with Wisconsin Conservation Voices (impact of gerrymandering on native communities and response); Peggy West-Schroeder or Carl Fields, EXPO or Ex-Incarcerated People Organizing (effects of prison gerrymandering and EXPO response); Matt Rothschild, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, a nonprofit, nonpartisan watchdog group (financial impacts of gerrymandering); Nakia Wiley, Dane County Redistricting Commission and Special Ed Teacher with Madison Metropolitan School District; Melanie Conklin, Wisconsin Examiner journalist (has been writing about effects of gerrymandering on marginalized communities).

Motion approved

- **Ratification of Executive Committee Actions--Chris Clements**

  The EC considered a budget request for $5200 by Janine Edwards for a Fair Maps proposal FM Budget Request, FM Budget Request**. An initial budget request (last spring) for 11, 600 was not approved. After discussion, the EC approved an altered proposal ($2k billboard, $2k social media, $1200 La Movida) that will be funded by a reallocation from other areas of the budget.

  Signed joint letter to the Assembly, Senate, Governor and Lt. Governor concerning targeted 50% cuts in Transit for Dane & Milwaukee Counties in the pending Biennial Budget Transit.

  The EC approved the review of office administrator Cindy Lindquist in May and approved the recommendation to increase her salary to $25/hour. The rationale for the increase was the increasing complexity from significant membership increases; she produces more under the same time constraints as ever (20 hours/week); she does unpaid work at home; the transition to and training of a new ED (and to another new ED in the next year). This pay rate is in the 2021-2022 budget, and reflects the value that the League puts on Cindy’s work.

  **Motion by Clements to approve all three of these EC actions.** Seconded by Hernandez, approved

- **Volunteer to take August minutes**

  Joan Provencher will not be able to attend the August meeting, so a volunteer is needed to take minutes. Barb Feeney volunteered

- **DEI Discussion and Recommendations** - Lisa Janairo
Lisa presented and the board discussed the following documents

Results of DEI assessment
DEI recommendations

Motion by Janairo that the Board accept the recommendations as proposed by the DEI committee, seconded by Chang, approved

Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm

Respectfully submitted
Joan Provencher, Secretary