

LWVSC CONVENTION 2019
"Celebrating Democracy, Embracing Diversity"
May 4-5, Town and Country Inn and Suites, Charleston, SC
PRELIMINARY AGENDA

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

8:00 AM — Registration, light breakfast

9:00 AM — Opening Plenary Session — Welcome

Adoption of Rules and Agenda

Appointment of Parliamentarian, Secretary, and Credentials Chair

Credentials Report

Introduction of LWVSC Board and Catherine Cotten, LWVUS Board

Roll Call of local leagues

9:30 — Address by Jennifer Bremer, Statewide Coordinator for Fair Elections, LWVNC, on the redistricting issues in North Carolina

10:00 — Response from LWVSC and Questions

10:20 — Break

10:30 — Treasurer's Report

Proposed Budget for 2019-2020

Proposed Slate of 2019-2020 Board and Nominating Committee

Proposed Changes to the Bylaws

Proposed Program of Action and Study

Proposed Concurrence re Open Primaries

11:15 — Legislative Update

11:45 — LUNCH

Remarks from Catherine Cotten, LWVUS Board

Presentation of Membership Growth Awards

Recognition of new MAL and Local League (Aiken, Beaufort)

1:00 — Breakout sessions* A

2:00 — Breakout sessions* B

3:00 — Response to Proposed Program of Study and Action and Proposed Concurrence re Open Primaries

4:15 — Announcements, Adjournment for the Day

6:15 — Cash Reception

7:00 — BANQUET

Address by Anton Gunn, Chief Diversity Officer and Executive Director of Community Health Innovation for the Medical University of South Carolina

9:00 — Caucuses, if desired

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019

7:30 AM — Coffee, Light Breakfast, Registration

8:00 AM — Convention Reconvenes

Announcements

Final Credentials Report

Adoption of Changes to the Bylaws

Adoption of Program of Study and Action for 2019-2021

9:00 — Address by Carlton Washington, Executive Director, S.C. State Employees Association, on supporting public employees

9:30 — Response from LWVSC and Questions

9:50 — Break

10:00 — Adoption of Concurrence on Open Primaries

Election of Officers, Directors, and Nominating Committee

Adoption of 2019-2020 Budget

Guidance By Local Leagues to LWVSC Board

10:45 — Address by Judge Richard Gergel, District Judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of S.C., and author of *Unexampled Courage: The Blinding of Sgt. Isaac Woodward and the Awakening of President Harry S. Truman and Judge J. Waties Waring*

11:45 — Closing Plenary Session

Announcement of prizes for the “Show Off Your League” displays

Remarks by Incoming Co-Presidents

12:30 - Adjournment

Book signing by Judge Richard Gergel

*Breakout Sessions

Each registrant chooses two of six topics on her/his registration form:

1. Diversity/Inclusion (*how to make diversity and inclusion work in the nonprofit environment*)
2. Healthcare (*healthcare and the law; in many situations the question arises: who decides — medical professionals & their patients or our lawmakers?*)
3. Status of Women/ERA (*where are we now and where do we go from here?*)
4. Dark Money (*consider the source: how can we find out who is trying to influence our votes?*)
5. Environment (*exploring the public health consequences of climate change*)
6. Education (*focusing on two parts of the problem: funding and testing/accountability*)