

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAS VEGAS VALLEY

EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the League of Women Voters of Las Vegas Valley Educational Project, hereinafter referred to in these bylaws as Educational Project. This project is an integral part of the League of Women Voters of Las Vegas Valley, hereinafter referred to in these bylaws as LWVLVV.

ARTICLE II

Purposes and Policy

Sec. 1 Purposes. The Educational Project is organized and shall be operated exclusively for educational, charitable, scientific, and literary purposes.

Sec. 2. Organizing Policy. The Educational Project was conceived and formed under the League of Women Voters of Las Vegas Valley.

Sec. 3 Political Policy. The Educational Project shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office or be partisan in its approach to political campaigns, No part of the funds of the Educational Project shall inure to the benefit of any Director or private person, and no substantial part of the activities of the Educational Project shall be the carrying on of lobbying or otherwise attempting (including the publishing or distribution of statements) to influence legislation.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Sec. 1 Voting Members. Each member of the Board of Directors shall have one vote.

Sec. 2. Associate Members. All other members of the LWVLVV shall be associate members. They may have a voice in decision making but no vote.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Sec. 1. Annual Meetings. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Educational Project shall be held in the spring of each year at a time and place determined by the DIRECTORS. This meeting may be part of the annual meeting of the LWVLVV.

Sec. 2 Other Meetings. Meetings of the Board of Directors for any purpose may be held at such time and place as shall be stated in the notice of the meeting.

ARTICLE V

Officers

Sec. 1 Election, Qualifications and Term. The officers of the Education Project shall be a president, two vice-presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer. They shall be elected at the annual meeting of the LWVLVV in odd numbered years and hold office for two years or until their successors have been elected and qualified. They shall have been members of the LWVLVV for at least five years and served at least one term on the LWVLVV board.

Sec. 2. The President. The president shall have such powers of supervision and management as customarily pertain to the office; shall preside at all meetings of the Educational Project or designate another person to do so; may sign or endorse checks, drafts and notes in the absence of the treasurer; and shall perform such other duties as the board may direct.

In the event of the absence, disability, resignation or death of the president, the first vice-president shall assume the office. If the first vice-president is unable to serve as president, the board shall fill the vacancy.

Sec. 3. The Vice-Presidents. The vice-presidents shall perform such duties as the president and the board direct.

Sec. 4. The Secretary. The secretary shall keep minutes of the board. The secretary shall notify all board members of their election and shall sign with the president all contracts and other instruments when so authorized by the board, and shall perform such other duties as the president and board shall direct.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer. The treasurer shall collect and receive all money due; shall be the custodian of these monies; shall deposit them in a bank designated by the board of directors; and shall disburse the monies as directed by the board.

The treasurer shall present statements to the *board at its* meetings and an annual report at the annual meeting. The annual financial statement shall be audited.

ARTICLE VI

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall manage and supervise the business affairs and activities of the Educational Project. It shall accept responsibility for such other matters as the LWVLVV may delegate to it. Three members of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum, provided written notice of the meeting is sent to all members at least one week in advance.

ARTICLE VII

Financial Administration

Sec. 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Educational Project shall be from April 1 to March 31 of each year.

Sec. 2. Funding. Funding of the Educational Project will be from gifts and donations received and accepted from the membership of the LWVLVV and from the general public. The Educational Project reserves all rights over, interest in and control of such gifts and donations and full discretion as to the ultimate expenditure or distributions of the contributions subject to the stated purpose of the Educational Project.

Sec. 3. Separation of Funds. The board shall keep all funds of the Educational Project as a separate and distinct fund. In no event shall the funds of Educational Project be used for the general purposes of the LWVLVV or for any purpose not hereinabove provided.

Sec. 4. Depository. The cash funds of the Educational Project shall be kept in an account maintained in the name of the Educational Project in such depository as the board of directors shall select. Such depository shall be authorized to pay out from the funds on deposit on the signature of the treasurer or the president of the board of directors.

Sec. 5. Distribution of Fund on Dissolution. In the event of the dissolution of the LWVLVV, all funds held at the time by the Educational Project shall be paid to the League of Women Voters of the United States Education Fund.

ARTICLE VIII

Indemnification

The Board of Directors and agents of the Educational Project shall be indemnified for any costs, expenses, or liabilities, necessarily incurred in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding in which they are made party by reason of being or having been a member serving in an elective or an appointed capacity. No member or employee shall be indemnified when adjudged in the action or suit to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duty.

ARTICLE IX

Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

ARTICLE X

Amendments

These bylaws may be amended by a four-fifths vote of the board of directors at the annual meeting provided that the proposed amendments were submitted to the board members in writing at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.

Accepted on October 28, 1997

President

Secretary