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Co-Presidents' Messages

Dear LWVSNM Members,

The November election is upon us. Hopefully all members are encouraging friends, family, and acquaintances to go out and vote. One of the hardest ballot decisions for me is voting for judges. There was helpful information for most of them on VOTE411.org. It is very disappointing that none of the candidates for Magistrate Judges responded to their questions. Perhaps in the future, candidate forums could be held with them. Thank you to all of you who are taking actions to get out the vote!



Eileen VanWie

November is National Native American Heritage month and a time to learn more about the rich cultures, histories, traditions, and contributions of Indigenous Peoples. [See the *Land Acknowledgement Statement on page 2*] We are fortunate to have Deb Haaland, a member of the Laguna Pueblo, as our first Native American Secretary of the Interior. In 2021, she announced the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative, a comprehensive review of historical records of the troubled federal boarding school policies, with an emphasis on cemeteries and potential burial sites. Secretary Haaland wrote an Op Ed in June 2021 titled *My grandparents were stolen from their families as children. We must learn about this history.* It's important for all of us to listen and learn with the painful first steps toward more justice for indigenous peoples.

For Veterans Day, November 11, we can also remember another New Mexican, Miguel Trujillo from the Isleta Pueblo. When he returned to New Mexico after serving in the Marines during World War II, he was denied the right to vote. Trujillo successfully sued the County Registrar, bringing the right to vote to Indigenous Peoples of NM in 1948.

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November Meeting: The Missing & Murdered, Documentary/Discussion

An intriguing topic will highlight the November General Meeting on Sat., Nov. 12 at 2:00 pm via Zoom; the focus is "Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons."

[Note the Topic Change: The November meeting was scheduled to be a panel on gun safety. Unfortunately, it has been difficult to gather a panel due to our meeting occurring immediately after the mid-term election. We will reconvene the gun safety panel in the Spring.]

Missing in New Mexico Day was October 22, 2022. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the murder rate is 10 times higher than the national average for women living on reservations, and the third leading cause of death for Native women. Additionally, Native women are significantly more likely to experience a rape in their lifetimes compared to other women. During the meeting, we will view the documentary *Bring Her Home* with a discussion to follow.

"*Bring Her Home* follows three Indigenous women – an artist, an activist, and a politician – as they fight to vindicate and honor their missing and murdered relatives. Despite the lasting effects from historical



trauma, each woman must search for healing while navigating racist systems that brought about this very crisis." The documentary features a cameo by New Mexico's own Deb Haaland, United States Secretary of the Interior. Watch the trailer here <https://www.pbs.org/video/bring-her-home-trailer-hy1nkg/> and join us for the documentary and discussion to follow.

We hope you join us to learn more about this topic and how the League can advocate for resources and legislation to address this silent epidemic. For more information:

<https://www.iad.state.nm.us/policy-and-legislation/missing-murdered-indigenous-women-relatives/>.

—Laura Castille, LWVSNM Vice-President

Co-Presidents' Messages (cont.)

November is also a time to celebrate the harvesting of crops. For me this year, it has meant processing dozens of pomegranates from one tree. This is the first year that I made pomegranate juice and reduced some of it to molasses. It's a messy but delicious task. Happy Thanksgiving!

— With warm regards,
Eileen VanWie



Dear LWVSNM Members.

As election day is rapidly approaching, keep in mind that we will be meeting with our legislators soon and will need to focus on the message that we want to convey to them concerning our expectations for the 2023 legislative session. Bills seem likely in the areas of tax reform, a constitutional amendment on redistricting, and expenditures for early childhood and K-12 education among others.



Kathy Brook

As you may recall, we are working to update several of our existing local positions. If you are interested in working on the library update, please let me know. Fortunately the library is currently working with a consultant and you may have seen the invitation to participate in one of two community input meetings in late September. Several League members attended the session at Branigan Library. There is also currently an opportunity to respond to a survey on the Branigan [website](#).

— Best wishes for a wonderful Thanksgiving,
Kathy, Co-President

Land Acknowledgement Statement

“The *League of Women Voters of Southern New Mexico* acknowledges that we gather on the Indigenous lands of *Turtle Island*, the ancestral name for what the Haudenosaunee Confederacy have called North America for generations. We

honor the legacy of and relationship with the Indigenous peoples who have been stewards of the land that is now Southern New Mexico, including the Tortugas Pueblo, Tiguas, Piro-Manso-Tiwa, Mescalero Apache, Chiricahua Apache, and others.

We pledge to have meaningful and respectful relationships with sovereign Indigenous Nations and tribal communities.”



Attend the next federal **Naturalization Ceremony** at 10 am, Friday, Nov. 4 at the LC Convention Center. Co-President [Eileen VanWie](#) and Interim Membership Director Johnnie Aldrich will be among those attending. Contact Court representative Becky Wilson, 575.528.1436, or [Eileen](#) if you will be attending so that seating can be arranged for League members.

Upcoming Calendar Events

NOVEMBER 2022

Native American Heritage Month
Nat'l Diabetes Awareness Month



Nov. 1-2, Tues. & Wed.: **Dios de Los Muertos** (All Saints' Day)

Nov. 2, Wed.: **Affordable Housing Committee Mtg.** - *cancelled*; Next meeting will be 12/7/22

Nov. 6, Sun.: **Daylight Savings Time Ends**

Nov. 7, Mon.: **LWV Short Board Mtg.**, Noon, Zoom

Nov. 11, Fri.: **Veterans' Day**

Nov. 12, Sat.: **General Meeting**, 2pm, via Zoom

Nov. 17, Thurs.: **LWV Education Committee**, 5:00 pm via Zoom; contact [Eileen VanWie](#) if you'd like to attend so that a Zoom invite can be sent to you.

Nov. 21, Mon.: **Board Meeting**, 5:00 p.m., via Zoom

Nov. 24, Thurs.: **Thanksgiving**

SAVE THE DATE

DECEMBER 2022

Saturday, Dec. 3 (In-Person or Zoom)
Holiday Social and Legislative Meeting

2:00-5:30 p.m. (Social at 2:00 pm)

Sunset Grill, 1274 Golf Club Rd.,

\$10 per person

Additional information to be announced via December's VOTER and email to all members.

Voting Underway Throughout Doña Ana County

Have you already voted? There are only a few days left until voters cast their ballots in the Nov. 8 General Election. According to the Deputy County Clerk, more than 2,400 voters already cast their ballot during the first week of early voting. Don't forget, if you like to vote on the actual voting day, you can go to any of the 42 Voting Convenience Centers in the county to cast your ballot ([click here to see locations](#)). Voter registration or change of voter information can also be done on Election Day at all voting locations.

If you haven't seen the LWVSNM Voters' Guide in a recent issue of the Las Cruces Bulletin, [you can read it in English or Spanish](#) on the League's website.

Thousands of flyers also have been distributed around the county promoting the City's GO Attainable Housing item (read below) and about the importance of voting!

Coordinated by Co-President Eileen VanWie, there will be several LWVSNM members who will be visible at the election polls volunteering as Election Watchers. These "watchers" are not to be confused with Election "challengers." However, challengers are expected and have been present during early voting.

For any additional election information, go online to www.Vote411.org or to www.dacelections.com.

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS Through Nov. 5, Tuesdays through Saturday, 11am-7pm

- ▶ **Anthony City Hall** – 820 Highway 478, Anthony, NM
- ▶ **Delores C. Wright Education Center** – 400 E. Lisa Dr., Chaparral, NM
- ▶ **Hatch High School** – 170 E. Herrera Rd., Hatch
- ▶ **Sunland Park Doña Ana Community College** – 3365 McNutt Rd., Sunland Park
- ▶ **Sonoma Elementary School** – 4201 Northrise Dr., Las Cruces
- ▶ **NMSU Corbett Center** – 1600 International Mall, Las Cruces
- ▶ **Las Cruces City Hall** – 700 N. Main, Las Cruces
- ▶ **Mesilla Town Hall** – 2231 Avenida de Mesilla, Mesilla

Please note the DAC Government Center is open through Nov. 4, Monday – Friday from 8 am – 5 pm, and Saturday, Nov. 5

Final Push for Housing Planned

Four items will be listed on the City's GO Bond questions: Affordable Housing, new East Mesa Fire Station, Park Improvements, and Phase II of the East Mesa Recreation Complex. The Las Cruces Coalition for Attainable Housing has been working hard to garner attention for attainable housing, as this item dovetails with the League's positions. Members of LWVSNM are members of this grass-roots organization and have participated in creating public service announcement (PSA) videos and promotional materials.

As a final push before Nov. 8, all supporters of the GO Housing Bond are being asked to attend the City Council meeting on **Monday, Nov. 7th at 1:00 pm at City Hall**. Beth Bardwell, LWV Housing Committee Chair, said they hope to share the PSAs (one of which features League Director Jo Galván Nash) produced by local business NMCo. Words of support will also be delivered during "public input."

Finally, don't forget to turn your ballot over to the backside where state Constitutional Amendments need your vote.

VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 !

VOTE YES
on the 2022 GO Bond
for Affordable Housing

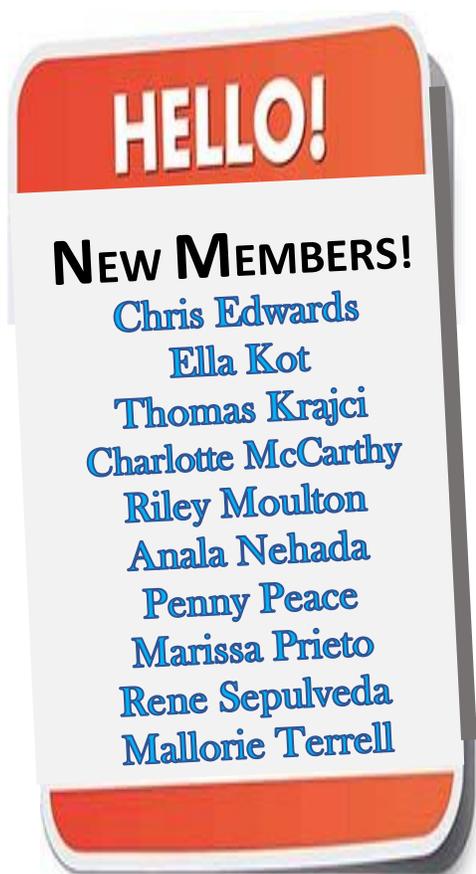
Affordable and attainable housing is also beneficial for seniors who want to stay in their community as they age. It allows them to maintain their independence and stay connected to their friends and neighbors.

Go to **DACRL.ORG**
for more information

LWV Handbook & Membership Directory Goes Online

LWVSNM is tightening its belt this fiscal year. In a cost-savings move that could not be avoided, the Board of Directors has decided that our organization's annual Handbook and Membership Directory will not be printed this year. The booklet's contents such as policies, positions, members' names (minus our private addresses/phones/emails) will be posted on the LWVNM website. However, a complete membership list with contact information will be emailed to all members. Everyone will soon be notified when the online version is available.

It is our hope that the League will be able to return to a printed format in 2023/24 for those who prefer a hard copy.



News from LWV US

Leagues from 50 states and DC stood together to file [an amicus brief](#) in a Supreme Court case that could define our democracy for years to come. The case, *Moore v. Harper*, focuses on the “independent state legislature theory” (ISLT), which, if adopted, would give state legislatures nearly unrestricted authority to set the rules for federal elections. Checks and balances are an essential part of our democracy, keeping power in the hands of the people rather than politicians. We implore the court to reject the ISLT and rule in favor of voters. Click on the national [press release](#) if interested.

Donations Needed for Students

November and December are traditional times of the year when giving to others is part of the holiday celebration. In the spirit of helping local children in need, the Las Cruces Public Schools' Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, is asking for donations for its “Care Kits for Kids” fundraiser.

The *Las Cruces Bulletin* reported that the kits are primarily for high school students “because removing any barrier that interferes with student attendance and their ability to learn is crucial” reports Amy McCarty, LCPS Foundation Executive Director.

On Friday, Nov. 4, from 11 am - 2 pm at the LCPS Administration Building, 505 S. Main, donors can drive into the Loretto Towne Centre parking lot and their donations will be picked up by Foundation Board members.

Items Needed: shampoo, conditioner, soap/body wash, deodorant, toothpaste/brushes, floss, Q-tips, feminine products, razors/shaving cream, and laundry soap.



Photo Courtesy of Mike Cook, LC Bulletin

The three major Las Cruces hospitals are project partners. Items can also be dropped into bins located in the hospital lobbies. Plus, monetary donations are gladly accepted. [Click here to donate.](#)



If you know of a local, non-profit activity that will benefit the less fortunate, send the information to The Voter Editor [Jo Galván Nash](#) by November 24, 2022, so that it can be publicized in December's newsletter.

DRAFT SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS
Board Meeting
Monday, October 3, 2022, Noon, Via Zoom

Discussion and Action:

1. Programs:
 - a. October and November programs and business meetings
October 8, 2022 General Meeting: L. Castille reported that the Las Cruces Deputy Director for Community Development will speak and will focus on affordable housing and will address the GO bonds that will be on November's ballot.
November 12, 2022 General Meeting: L. Castille reported that the meeting will be focused on gun safety.
 - b. December Legislative Conversations: The 12/3/22 Legislative and Social event was discussed including the need for the Board to draft the League's priorities for the Legislators to address at the meeting. Legislators will receive the League's priorities at the December 3rd meeting and may receive them after the meeting.
2. State Board Meeting Report
 - a. **Mentorship Program:** E. VanWie reported that she and K. Brook attended the State League's Board meeting in Los Alamos. The State League's JEDI Committee has developed a mentorship program that the local Leagues can also take up.
 - b. **Administration of Justice:** K. Brook reminded the Board that LWVSNM held a panel discussion on criminal justice issues, and that the LWVSNM recommended state concurrence with the California League's position on criminal justice and the LWVNM concurred. There is now some interest in further developing the state position. If you wish to provide input to the position statement, please contact Kathy.
 - c. **Club Express:** K. Brook informed that the League state board approved a proposal to try out Club Express, a web-based platform designed for "handling every aspect of club and association management" (as per their website). Examples of how the LWVNM could use it: membership database, accept credit cards, discussion forums that supposedly work as mailing lists too, blast emails (replace CC), upload files/images, unlimited storage, etc.
3. Schedule for DAC Commission meetings: The meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Board members volunteered to attend the DAC Commission meeting.
Action Item: K. Brook will re-send talking points to the Board.
4. Voter Services Committee, Flyer (CRRUA) and Events
Voters Guide: D. Yeo reported that the Voters Guide will appear in the Bulletin this week. **Action Items:** D. Yeo will provide the final proof to J. Galván Nash to post online. D. Yeo will place the Voters Guide over-runs (approximately 1500) in government buildings and public spaces.
CRRUA Flyer: Approximately 7,000 get-out-the-vote flyers will go out with the CRRUA (Camino Real Regional Utility Authority) utility bills. The CRRUA services Sunland Park and Santa Teresa.
5. Membership
 - a. Dues payment process: M. Flynn is updating the membership list to include recent members from Otero County.

Adjournment: at 12:17 p.m.



2022/23 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SOUTHERN NEW MEXICO BOARD:

Kathy Brook & Eileen VanWie – Co-Presidents
 Laura Castille – Vice President
 Edwina Jaramillo – Secretary
 Mary Flynn – Treasurer
 Dale Yeo & Catherine Cochrane – Voter Services
 Co-Directors
 Kathe Kanim – Youth Engagement Director
 Johnnie R. Aldrich – Interim Membership Director
 Jo Galván Nash – Public Relations Director & VOTER
 Editor
 Shirley Armstrong, Chair, Ruth Jaure & Mary Flynn -
 Nominating Committee

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Members of the SNM League had a good time at La Clinica de Familia’s Trunk or Treat event held just before Halloween. In addition to giving out treats to kids, three members were drumming up voter awareness with League bracelets, Voters’ Guides, flyers and Vote411 signs. Pictured (l to r) are Cecilia Tellez, Co-President Eileen VanWie in her suffragist costume, and Kathy Brook, Co-President.

Books for LWVSNM Book Club – November 2022

If you would like to participate, contact Erika at grafwebster@icloud.com

BOOK CLUB MEETINGS ARE ON 1ST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

Status/Added	Book
Books Selected for Upcoming Meetings	
November 3 Moderator: Rorie	Fox and I: An Uncommon Friendship by Catherine Raven When Catherine Raven finished her PhD in biology, she built herself a tiny cottage on an isolated plot of land in Montana. She was as emotionally isolated as she was physically, but she viewed the house as a way station, a temporary rest stop where she could gather her nerves and fill out applications for what she hoped would be a real job that would help her fit into society. In the meantime, she taught remotely and led field classes in nearby Yellowstone National Park. Then one day she realized that a mangy-looking fox was showing up on her property every afternoon. From the fox, Catherine learned the most important thing about loneliness: we are never alone when we connect to the natural world.
December 1 Moderator: Kathy	Lady Justice by Dahlia Lithwick “Lady Justice” focuses on the women who, since the election of 2016, have mobilized against Trumpism and its threats to the rule of law. Combining biography and analysis, Lithwick — a lawyer and writer who covers legal matters for Slate — profiles several members of the profession who have, in her view, done real work to save American democracy. From Sally Yates and Becca Heller, who fought against the travel ban on Muslim-majority nations to Brigitte Amiri and Vanita Gupta, two women of immigrant backgrounds who resisted the president’s efforts to prevent abortions and separate families at the U.S.-Mexico border, “Lady Justice” illustrates how “in a constitutional democracy, enduring power lies in the people who step into the fight.”



LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL • Work Session

September 26, 2022

Observer: Kathy Brook

Animal Care: There was a presentation by Animal Companions of Las Cruces, a non-profit organization that is working to address the limited availability of emergency services for animals. Compared with 100 cities of comparable size, Las Cruces is one of three without emergency services.

Prisoner Care: Bryan Baker, director of the DAC Detention Center, noted that the detention center is still following Covid protocols. There is an effort to connect those released with the Crisis Triage Center but there is a need for more community services related to behavioral health. In response to a question, he indicated that people have been detained for up to seven years; generally, these are people facing murder or sexual assault charges.

GO Bond Quarterly Update: This was an update on previously approved bond projects. Unidad Park, East Mesa Recreational Center, dog parks, the Animal Services Center, Fire Station 3, and trail projects are complete or will be complete by February 2023.

LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL • Regular Meeting

October 3, 2022

Observer: Kathy Brook

Public participation included a request that preference be given to veterans in using the picnic area at Veterans Park; crime issues and opposition to the social justice model; the desire that the city clerk run the next city election; lack of behavioral health resources; and problems in the vicinity of Desert Hope apartments. The chief public defender for New Mexico, Bennet Baur, spoke about his office which has 230 lawyers across the state with 18 in Las Cruces. He noted that bail reform was necessary because people were being held in jail for lack of money and that over-incarceration can contribute to crime. He expressed willingness to talk with the Las Cruces community about how to address the crime situation.

The consent agenda included receipt of grant funds related to improvements to Pioneer Women's Park and a collective bargaining agreement with the Las Cruces Police Officers Association.

A zoning change was approved to allow for construction of 80 affordable housing units (designed for those at 30-60% of area median income). Section 8 vouchers will be welcome, and these will be all-electric units.

The Council voted to maintain the current 300-foot buffer between cannabis businesses and between cannabis businesses and single-family residences. The mayor announced that he will bring forward a proposal for similar buffers for establishments serving alcohol and multi-family dwellings.

LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL • Work Session

October 10, 2022

Observer: Kathy Brook

Economic Development: Davin Lopez, CEO of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance (MVEDA) provided an update. He indicated that there is currently strong collaboration with the city Economic Development Department. An issue raised by councilors was the lack of public transportation to assist the workforce in getting to the city's Innovation and Industrial Park on the west mesa.

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City Council (cont.)

Legislative Update and State Funding Priorities: Consultants at the federal level provide marketing and sales services to the city for its projects. They currently are talking with federal agencies about the implementation of legislation including ARPA, Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Las Cruces had a well-developed interaction with the NM delegation concerning projects this year.

Lobbyist Larry Horan discussed expectations for the legislative session. Seeing legislators in Santa Fe helps the city's efforts. He is working on presentations to legislators on capital outlay, including among them Lift Up Las Cruces. He has also been asking legislators about their priorities rather than just presenting the city/council priorities. About \$1 billion in capital outlay is anticipated. Funding requests include airport improvements, septic tank replacement project, roadway improvements, Lift Up Las Cruces roadway and lighting improvements, park improvements, and public safety (replacement of body cameras and fire station improvements).

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS • Regular Meeting

October 11, 2022

Observer: Kathy Brook

As a representative of the League, I provided public input on VOTE411.org, the League's voter guides and the League's collaboration with KRWG on candidate forums. I also noted that the League supports paper ballots and their use as a backup to machine counting while also supporting the use of machines to tabulate ballots. Other speakers noted the caution issued in summer 2022 by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency concerning Dominion voting machine vulnerabilities and various anomalies cited in the audit conducted by NM Audit Force.

In other business, the County Commission approved resolutions declaring the county's intent to issue industrial revenue bonds for two solar farms and battery storage projects, one in the Santa Teresa area and one in Vado.

DAC CHAPTER OF NAACP • Regular Meeting

October 15, 2022

Observer: Jennifer Kreie

The guest speakers for the October meeting of the DAC chapter of the NAACP were Doña Ana County Clerk Amanda López Askin and State Representative Nathan Small.

Dr. Askin talked about her department's work during this election period. She said she feels confident that her department and other local government agencies have an effective plan for keeping the elections safe and she encourages everyone to vote, as well as getting others to vote. She said there are still a few openings for people to work at polling centers on the day of election; the pay is approximately \$200. Contact her office if you're interested.

Representative Small talked about the dishonest tactics of some Republican opponents. Blatantly false accusations continue to be disseminated even when these tactics have been publicly admonished and countered. He said there are some tight races, and it is imperative for everyone to vote and get their family, friends and acquaintances to vote.

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NAACP (cont.)

Representative Small said there is a “once in a life” opportunity in the upcoming legislative session to invest in New Mexico beyond annual budget issues. The state should take advantage of the windfall from oil and gas and he noted that oil and gas production is being done here in a way that is a model to other oil-producing states to minimize the environmental impact.

In other business, the list of candidates for November’s election of NAACP board members was approved by the members. Dr. Green said work has begun for the MLK weekend events in 2023 and volunteers are needed for planning the events. Also, the State NAACP Convention in Hobbs at the end of October will have delegates from the DAC chapter as well as students from NMSU and other state universities.

LAS CRUCES CITY COUNCIL • Regular Meeting

October 17, 2022

Observer: Kathy Brook

Public participation: Comments concerned crime in the community and opposition to abortion. A connection was also made between support for the GO bond and problems in the vicinity of the Desert Hope apartments.

In addition to approving resolutions to accept grant awards and a grant application relating to intra- and interstate passenger services at the airport, the council approved a new redistricting map for city council districts. The adopted plan retains the potential for five districts with Hispanic majorities among voters.

LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD • Regular Meeting

October 25, 2022

Observer: Eileen VanWie

Members Present: President Ray Jaramillo, VP Teresa Tenorio, Secretary Pam Cort, and members Carol Cooper and Robert Wofford

Public comment from one community member criticized the District’s budget process, saying it lacked transparency and broad topics, and needed a better invitation for all stakeholders to participate.

Superintendent Ramos’ report included student Matthew from Mayfield High School sharing a new Student Advisory Council (SAC) project for student athletes called *Lunch Leadership*. The SAC has also been reviewing school policies and were encouraged to review any and all that seemed relevant to students.

The LCPS Foundation Executive Director Amy McCarty described the purpose of the Foundation is to provide financial support to teachers.

Deputy Superintendent Dr. Wendi Miller-Tomlinson brought a policy on bullying, cyber bullying, hazing, and harassment for discussion. Discussion led to a few changes for reconsideration at the next meeting. When revisions to related relevant policies are approved, the District will create a working document for students, families, and administrators to use.

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LCPS (cont.)

Human Resources Executive Director Sean Barham shared that the district keeps data on student injuries and accidents and uses the data to make changes. This led to a lengthy discussion about developing a step-by-step policy to minimize risks for student athletes, especially contact sports and head injuries. The death of an Organ Mountain High School student motivated the discussion. Comments and questions included:

1. Who gathers and receives information about accidents and injuries?
2. Who releases a player for return to play? The student athlete wants to play and may not report the full extent of the injury. Does an independent person make the decision?
3. Football coaches have now changed practice strategies, eliminating high impact tackles.
4. Perhaps flag football should become the sport at all grade levels, including varsity football.
5. All coaches will be required to have EMT training.
6. Athletic trainers guide the response process during games. All high schools have one and a half trainers. Mountain View Hospital has provided a few part-time athletic trainers.
7. Trainers report to Superintendent Ramos.
8. Some schools may be better prepared than others. There needs to be equity for all schools.
9. VP Tenorio read a report about how the young brain is “rewired” by tackle football. A typical hit is 20-25 g-force, the equivalent impact from a 30-mph car accident.
10. The District currently uses the RANK ONE sport and health management system, which includes injury and treatment tracking. It is considering investing in the SWAY System, (which assesses a battery of balance tests, cognitive tests, symptom tracking, and on-field assessments).
11. 400 guardian caps have been ordered for football helmets for all football players from 8th grade through varsity teams.
12. Student athletes need more training to better understand their own injuries.
13. School athletic teams begin at the middle school level. The City has athletic leagues for elementary students and the District collaborates with the City.
14. The District is doing an extensive review of data, current practices, and changes needed.
15. Sports are an important part of education.
16. The District’s lightning protocol has become a model for the State. Perhaps the District will develop a model for reducing injury risks that could benefit the State.

The new Budget process is a “bottom up” process, where the 40 schools develop their own budget needs and share them with the District management team. Stakeholders are invited to participate in the process. There will be three townhall meetings regarding the budget during the 2023 fiscal year.

Treasurer's Report

Prepared by Mary Flynn, Treasurer

OCTOBER 28, 2022

August 24, 2022	BALANCE FORWARD	\$13,288.73
MEMBER INCOME		
October 3, 2022	Paypal Deposit	\$259.73
October 5, 2022	Bank Deposit	\$65.00
October 7, 2022	Paypal Deposit	\$65.67
October 7, 2022	Bank Deposit	\$75.00
	TOTAL MEMBER INCOME	\$465.40
NEW EXPENSES		
September 7, 2022	Consumer Cellular	\$20.51
	TOTAL NEW EXPENSES	\$20.51
	TOTAL CASH ON HAND	\$13,733.62
COMMITTED FUNDS		
October 15, 2022	Spanish Language Voter	\$500.00
October 15, 2022	Diversity Fund	\$415.00
October 15, 2022	Youth Engagement Fund	\$625.00
October 15, 2022	Social Media Fund	\$500.00
October 15, 2022	New Mexico Listens Project	\$250.00
October 15, 2022	Voter Service	\$750.00
	TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDS	\$3,040.00

