



EDUCATION & ACTION COMMITTEE (*formerly Programs*)

Annual Report 2024-2025

Purpose

Establish consistent opportunities to enhance visibility and access to civic education and the electoral process. The committee works largely within the Tulsa Voter Coalition to enhance the ways in which we engage with current, lapsed, and future voters within the Tulsa metropolitan area.

Chair

Matthew Fransein

Committee Members

Lynn Staggs, Kathryn Aung (*fmr. VP – resigned*), Shai Marion

Meeting Schedule

LWV team did not have an established cadence due to members already coordinating regularly.

Successes

- LWV-funded Tulsa Voter Coalition compiles localized data and demographic insight to ensure outreach and civic education are contextually appropriate. Over 1,200 individuals were engaged between July 2024 - November 2024.
- E&A along with other LWV members hosted both the University of Tulsa/Tulsa World mayoral forum and Tulsa Community College's metro campus.
- Established a partnership with TU's civic engagement department in addition to opening up work study programs for engaged university students.

Challenges

- Capacity of the committee was limited due to the lack of individuals who did not have other active roles in the league. Any efforts for meeting and/or directive engagement was limited (admin director, president, & state league president);
- Low board engagement requires a lot more external collaboration to complete E&A activities.
- Much of the work fell on Voter Services committee

- Scope of work for the committee should be an iterative process with some “requirements” set out for the year ahead (e.g. specific forums or bill overviews)

General Recommendations for Incoming Committee

- Re: Committee structure:
 - Minimum 5 members
 - Mixture of members outside of leadership to ensure lessened time constraints
 - Encourage newer board members to join- modify the committee scope to sound more enticing;
 - Specific skills for this committee:
 - Network of educators, legislators, and local politicians to engage for forum events;
 - Programmatic and operational interest to ensure the events are run properly;
 - Moderate level of capacity to volunteer in-person hours or backend logistic/reach-out support.

Recommended Schedule of Events for 2024-2025 Committee

July 2025	Committee chairs (current/new) for handover; designate functions & creates timeline. Establish timelines for the established events (town halls and forums)
August 2025	Committee sets first meeting (include Shai for context)
September 2025	
October 2025	Candidate Forum/Town Hall
November 2025	
December 2025	
January 2026	Town Hall/Informational Forum
February 2026	
March 2026	Town Hall/Informational Forum
April 2026	
May 2026	Candidate forum/town hall
June 2026	