



Observer Reporting Form

Feature Evaluated	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting started on time?	X		Started at 8:35 am adjourned 9:25 am
All members present?		X	Quorum, Commissioners McKenzie & Lambert not present
Members attentive?	X		
Did members appear to have done their "homework?"	X		Lengthy discussion regarding # of signatures required on a petition to recall an elected official. Commissioner Briggs attended this session to help explain needed revisions to charter regarding Recall process. (see below)
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
Agenda sent/posted 72 hours before?	X		
Agenda items clearly described what was to be discussed?	X		
Adequate opportunity for public input?	X		
Was there an appearance that some action items were discussed in closed rather than open session?		X	
Was background information available to the public?	X		Commissioner Briggs posted info regarding # of required signatures on petition to recall elected official by other States on the Commission Forum
Facilities adequate? (room size, lighting, ventilation, speakers audible, accessible to handicapped)	X		

Were any issues on the agenda relevant to LWV positions or programs? Our voting citizens deserve a Recall Process that is clear, fair and not too difficult to recall an elected official if our citizens deem it necessary. Briggs is making recommendations to the Commission on needed changes to the County Charter and this process. 15% of registered voters is the # presently required on the petition to recall an elected official, this is a very expensive and a difficult task to achieve, Briggs is proposing to change the # of signatures required to 50% of votes cast in the election of the elected official. Leuthold suggested 15% of votes cast in the last Gubernatorial election.

Do you recommend League action on any of these issues? Defer any action at this time but we need to watch the next Commission Meeting and see what revisions will be recommended for amending the Charter and decide if action is warranted.

Other Concerns:

Observer: Barbara Nicodemus Meeting: Knox County Intergovernmental Committee Date: 12/8/09