

September 2012

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the way
since 1915*

**September
GREEN
TIPS**

**From
Mary
Gerson**



(Car tips from The Sierra Club)

-A well-maintained car burns less gas, so get your oil and air filters changed regularly.

-Check tire pressure monthly.

-Clean clutter in car. Every 100 pounds lowers fuel economy by 1 to 2%.

-If you're driving over 40 MPH use A/C to reduce drag

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The Bulletin

Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati



WCC LAUNCHES NEW PROGRAM YEAR

“BUILDING A JUST AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY”



VP Programs Beth Sullebarger

Woman's City Club's programs and forums bring citizens together from diverse perspectives to engage in public conversations around issues of concern to the community. Each year, we stage a series of educational programs to raise awareness on community issues featuring a balanced panel of knowledgeable speakers. WCC offers varied venues for members to meet and explore mutual interests, promote advocacy and collaborative action.

This coming year, the Programs committee, chaired by Beth Sullebarger, will try something new: coordinating topics for Forums with regular monthly membership meetings, where members can participate in extended discussions.



Fahid and Samir Daoud

Our first program on **Wednesday, September 12**, will be a screening of a documentary, "Recipe for Success," from the series **ARAB AMERICAN STORIES**. The evening will begin with a reception at **5:30 pm**, followed by the program at **6:00 pm**. The documentary, produced by Cincinnati-based filmmaker Andrea Torrice, features the Daoud family, owners of Gold Star Chili.

The PBS series about Arab is intended to show how this immigrant group has contributed to America's society, economy and culture. WCC's event is co-sponsored by CET, Leadership Cincinnati and Gold Star Chili. See flyer on the back pages of the Bulletin.

Our second program on **Monday, October 15** at 7 pm will present a debate on extending **City Council terms** from two to four years. The program will be a collaborative effort by five civic organizations – WCC, AIR, Inc., Citizens for Civic Renewal, Cincinnati Association, and the League of Women Voters. Stay tuned for specifics on location and speakers.



Filmmaker Andrea Torrice

For future Forums, we're lining up topics on **Economic Inclusion and Human Rights: Human Trafficking, Education, Fracking, and Privatization of Prisons.**

Please save the September 12 date and stay tuned for more to come!

~ Beth Sullebarger, VP Programs

A Word from the President

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Greetings WCC members and welcome back from a long hot summer!

Using information gathered at our Annual Membership Meeting in June, WCC leadership has been quietly at work preparing for the year ahead and making some welcome changes as the Club approaches its 100th anniversary in 2015.

The new Board met in August for a retreat to review and update our goals and policies, celebrate last year's successes and consider how best to grow

the Club's potential. We held an honest discussion about how to restore our financial health, evaluating current fundraising activities and exploring non-profit models of funding. David Johnson and Estelle McNair of Branded Success have offered WCC a free workshop on “story boarding” to help us fine-tune our messaging so that we can better connect with potential donors and entice them to invest in the Club.

We have been considering the idea of restructuring the work of the Club so that our energy – now overly concentrated at the leadership level – will be more activated at the level of committees. Descriptions of all committees will be available on the Weekly Update, and members are encouraged to sign up. To allow Board members more time to work on committees, we are considering meeting only bi-monthly as a Board. We will also open interactive communications through Facebook and poll the membership using Survey Monkey on timely issues facing the City. We will begin holding

regular monthly meetings as another way of engaging our members in the life of the Club.

The Program Committee has been lining up a series of public forums for the Fall. We decided to continue last year's program theme – “Building a Just and Sustainable Community” – in order to provide a continuing focus for our civic conversation. This year will address issues of human rights with a focus on women's rights.

Civic Engagement continues its work through the three Action Teams and the Rookwood Six projects. Finally, the National Speaker Committee has invited Robin Wright, Foreign Policy Analyst with a specialty in the Middle East, to be our speaker in the Spring.

Again, it is a true privilege to preside over an organization that attracts such dedicated members.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Nightingale

WOMAN'S CITY CLUB HOLDS THIRD ANNUAL “FEIST-TEA” FUNDRAISER ~ DECEMBER 1, 2012 TO HONOR WCC'S “FEISTY” WOMEN AT AN AFTERNOON TEA

Join us as once again we honor some of the feisty WCC women who have shown an extra measure of wisdom, fortitude, and spunk: These women have worked to make a difference in our community, demanding change, always remaining feisty, and never thinking of backing down. Their enduring steadfastness has made our community a better place. We hope you will join us to honor them.

As usual we will meet at Barrington of Oakley and after the event will enjoy social time in the reception area, complete with wine bar and desserts. As before there is no charge for this event. We hope you will make a donation to support the event and the Club's continuing work. Look for your invitation in the mail in early November.



~ Ruth Cronenberg

Membership Matters

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE PLANS MONTHLY MEETINGS

Woman's City Club has been piloting regular monthly membership meetings this year. These meetings – the **third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm** – are intended to offer our membership a venue where we can meet, get to know each other better, and share concerns around timely issues. We will try to coordinate our discussions with topics scheduled for the Club's public forums.

The membership committee has planned the following topics for the Fall:

- **Tuesday, September 18** at First Unitarian Church. The topic will be **Immigration Reform**, especially as it concerns young people brought to this country as minors who now find themselves in legal limbo. See the article on page 5 of this newsletter.
- **Tuesday, October 16** at the First Unitarian Church. The discussion topic will be **"4 Year Terms."** Leading the discussion are Carolyn Miller and Jane Anderson.
- **Tuesday, November 20** at the Mt. Auburn Presbyterian in the Geier Room. The topic will be **"Low Cost Housing & Homelessness."** Alicia Townsend and other representatives from Affordable Housing Advocates will lead the discussion.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS NEEDED

Forget to renew your membership for 2012-13? Go to Womanscityclub.org and follow the simple directions! If you are not online or need a registration form, contact the WCC office at 513-751-010.

The **WCC Directory** will be published in September. We hope to include all our members!

NEED FURTHER INFORMATION?

Check the online calendar for weekly updates or contact the office at 513-751-0100 or wcc@womanscityclub.org. We look forward to greeting each one of you!

~ *Mary Wells, Membership Chair*



LIKE! WCC FaceBook



Facebook (FB) has the power to communicate with a much larger group (in contrast to email) of people, easily, regularly, and continually. FB makes it easy to reach out. People don't have to be motivated enough to join a committee or ask to be put on a list.

How it works: Individuals "friend" the Woman's City Club on FB. To "Friend" or to "Like" means that you have established a connection with Woman's City Club's FB page so that postings to Woman's City Club's page automatically show up on your FB page where you can see them whenever you check your own FB page.

Please help us by "friending" or "liking" Woman's City Club on FB, posting information and comments about your Woman's City Club experiences. It's easy to stay informed of civic life through FB posts and links. To keep informed about WCC's activities, you need to "friend" Woman's City Club FB page.

How to do it: Log onto your FB page (given that you have joined FB), type Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati in the search bar – when our chapter's FB page pops up, click "Like" beneath the FB icon.

Some very informative links are posted on the page to help you stay informed of the topics that interest you. We hope you'll share that news with your FB friends.

This is the way our club will continue to serve our community - by making important and interesting information readily available to members and yet-to-be members.

~ *Alice Schneider*

NOT ON FACEBOOK YET?

Come to our next
WCC Facebook Training Session
 Hyde Park Panera (Hyde Park Plaza)
Thursday, September 27 at 7:30 pm

RSVP so that we know how many seats to commandeer in advance.

Both teachers and learners are needed.
 Please bring your laptop if you have one.



Rachel Powell

A CENTURY OF WOMEN

Last year, in anticipation of our 100th birthday, we embarked on the project of writing up the second volume of the Club's History *Lighting the Way*. The first volume, written by Andrea Kornbluh in 1986 and dedicated to Agnes Seasongood, took us from our beginnings in 1915 up through the year 1965.

This past year the students of Professor Charles Casey-Leininger's Public History class at UC began excavating our archives to gather material for a second volume covering our second 50 years, which we hope will be ready to publish by 2015 the year of our 100th anniversary. A few of the students from that Public History class reported their findings to the Club at a membership meeting this past March.

From that history class, a new author has emerged to write *Lighting the Way* Vol II. Her name is **Rachel Powell**, a candidate for a Masters degree in Public History with a special interest in Women's History, Gender History, and History of Sexuality. One of her more recent papers was entitled, "Combatting the Nostalgia Trap: Motherhood, Race, and the Family in the Postwar Period." Rachel graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BA in English and as a James Graham Brown Honors Fellow from Thomas More College.

Rachel is thrilled to have the opportunity to author the second volume of WCC history. From her research so far, she is impressed with what the Club has accomplished in the years since women won the right to vote, and she believes this volume promises to offer an important contribution to the history of this past century now being dubbed "A Century of Women." We are indeed lucky to have found such a talented and enthusiastic young woman to document our continuing history.

Rachel will send us a project proposal by mid September. Her plan is to begin working intensively in January 2013, by which time WCC will need to have found a funding source. She will work with WCC to design the scope of the project, and since she has experience in graphic arts, she would like to participate in the design of the layout. In the meantime, WCC will need to do some footwork, that is, we must form a team of volunteers to work on developing a video archive, collecting oral histories from our members and any old photographs or documents we can find that tell the story of WCC. Lets dig them out before we lose them forever and preserve them in this celebratory volume.

If you would like to participate in this project, please contact the office at WCC@womanscityclub.org, or 513-751-0100, or contact me personally.

~ *Jeanne Nightingale*



MEMBER PROFILE: HARRIET KAUFMAN

For Harriet Kaufman, the WCC tutoring program is part of a personal crusade. As a dyslexic child who was not diagnosed until fifth grade, she understands how important learning to read is for a child's future.

"I would like for people to think twice about what it is to be dyslexic and the profound effects it has on your life. This is not a whim for me. This is life changing for these kids. You never outgrow the feelings of inadequacy that go with not learning to read."

Harriet has been a member of WCC for 10 years and has

been very active in the CAAG Committee (Catalyst for Achievement Action Group). Initially this group worked with the police and the Collaborative Agreement. Current day, the Committee is focused on its multisensory literacy program using the tutoring methods and materials developed by former WCC Office Manager Linda Wihl. This program has been very successful at Winton Hills Academy and Rothenberg School. Volunteer tutors come from WCC and the community.

Harriet is a familiar face in the nonprofit community. She

isn't the type of person who says "somebody else should take care of this." When she sees a need, she sets to work. Currently, Harriet has been developing her skills as a sculptor. She has already exhibited a number of pieces and is now studying sculpture at DAAP.

This past spring, the National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Chapter, gave Harriet the *Public Citizen of the Year* Award for 2012. This award is given to a community member whose work upholds or embodies the values of social workers.

~ *Leslie Cannon*

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Monthly Meeting Topics September

IMMIGRATION REFORM: NEED FOR THE DREAM ACT

Some of the finest young people in our community have no right to apply for student aid, to drive a car, to work, or even to be here. We would call them “second class citizens” except that they are not citizens – though they are as American as you and I. These are young people who were brought here from outside the country as children and grew up here in the USA. They have become known as “Dreamers” after the “Dream Act” which, if passed, would give them the right to live a normal life and pursue the American Dream, including a path to citizenship. The Dream Act was favored by majorities in both the US House and Senate and would have been put into law two years ago, in September of 2010, but for having been filibustered by Senate Republicans.

You will have a chance to meet two of the finest of these finest young people at our September Members Meeting, on Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00 pm at First Unitarian Church. Cousins Jose and Heyda (pronounced “Ada”) are both high school students. But you will note the maturity and dignity with which they address their dilemma. They are both activists with the reform group YES, or Youth Educating Society, which is part of IJPC, Intercommunity Justice and Peach Center. They and other YES activists have spoken at churches and events around the city. You will have the opportunity to hear their stories and then converse with them personally in a relatively intimate setting.

Heyda and Jose will tell us about President Obama’s recent executive



Cousins Heyda and Jose

order which granted them a 2-year reprieve from their immediate concerns of being deported from the country. But the executive order is only temporary, especially when a less sympathetic administration comes into office, sooner or later. And it does not go far enough. It goes only as far as the President could go without authority from Congress. They will have the right to stay in the US and to hold a job; but they will not necessarily have rights like the right to drive that are dependent upon state law. Most significantly, they will not have the right to vote when they turn 18.

Heyda especially will tell you that she does not like to be called a “Dreamer.” She wants her rights to be a reality, not just a dream. She is working on that; and so should we.

~ Marty Harrington



Heyda (with Rev Sharon Dittmar) and Jose speak at 2012 :March Forth” Rally.



KEEPING UP WITH THE CALENDAR:

Women’s City Club now has a Google Calendar embedded on our website. Click on “Calendar” and scroll past the detail descriptions of upcoming events, and you will see it. You can switch to a monthly or weekly view if you desire.

The best thing about the calendar is the way it will work in the future. Each committee chair will have access to update items for her committee. Others will be given access to update a main calendar of events, or the administrative calendar. All these will be rolled together and picked up for the website. In effect, we will have one calendar listing maintained by a lot of different people in their different areas of expertise and authority.

Monthly Meeting Topics

October

FOUR YEAR TERMS

FOR CINCINNATI CITY COUNCIL

On June 27, the WCC Board of Trustees voted to endorse the extension of Cincinnati City Council terms from two to four years. The Board preferred staggering the terms to promote continuity. City Council voted, however, to place the issue to extend Council terms on the ballot with candidates running for concurrent terms. The Board still recommends supporting the ballot issue as a measure to improve the effectiveness of City Council and its responsiveness to the electorate.

In making this endorsement, WCC draws on the findings of a non-partisan study by WCC and five other civic organizations of the pros and cons of expanding Cincinnati City Council terms from two to four-years. The study, prompted by the decision of City Council's Government Operations Committee to pass an ordinance to lengthen City Council terms to four years, included a survey of comparable cities as well as a review of recommendation from the National Civic League Model City Charter and data from the International City/County Management Association. All six of our civic organizations have a focus on educating citizens in such matters of civic importance and opening them up to informed public debate.

Proponents of four as opposed to two-year terms argue that they allow council members the opportunity to learn more about the issues, to work on developing long-term legislative solutions to significant city problems, and to know their constituents better. They will have more time to focus on getting things done legislatively rather than on fundraising and running for reelection. The cities contacted in the study support these arguments.

Sixty-two percent of cities with at-large council elections (like Cincinnati) have four-year terms of office.

~ Sarah Gideonse, VP Civic Engagement

National Speaker Forum 2013

Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Plum Street Temple Downtown



Robin Wright

This year our speaker will be **Robin Wright**, distinguished scholar and foreign policy analyst and currently a United States Institute for Peace Senior Fellow-Wilson Center Distinguished Scholar.

Wright's projects explore new trends in the Islamic world—the Arab revolts, the rise of political Islam and the counter-jihad against extremism. She also identifies issues that will define the next decade, when the Middle East's transformation will be a major policy challenge for the United States and the West.

During her fellowship, she has worked on three books:

- "Rock the Cashbah: Rage and Rebellion across the Islamic world" (2011)
- "The Iran Primer: Power, Politics and U.S. Policy" (2010)
- "The Islamists are Coming: Who They Really Are" (2012)

Wright has reported from more than 140 countries on six continents for *The Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *The Sunday Times* of London, CBS News and *The Christian Science Monitor*. She won the National Magazine Award for *The New Yorker*. She has also written for *The Atlantic Monthly*, *The New York Times Magazine*, *TIME*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *The International Herald Tribune* and many others. Her foreign tours include the Middle East, Europe, Africa and several years as a roving foreign correspondent in Latin America and Asia. Besides a long career in journalism, Wright has been a fellow at the Brookings Institution, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Yale University, Duke University, Stanford University, the University of California at Santa Barbara, and the University of Southern California. Wright received her M.A. and B.A. from the University of Michigan.



[Save the Date!](#)

TUTORS NEEDED FOR WOMAN'S CITY CLUB'S TUTORING PROGRAM

For the fifth year, WCC will be providing tutors, testers, and lesson planners for Linda Wihl's literacy program at two CPS elementary schools, Rothenberg and Winton Hills Academies.

The tutoring program, which uses the curriculum, "Making Sense of Language Arts," is targeted to at-risk kindergartners to bridge the literacy gap early.

We would like to be able to serve all children who qualify for the program, so we are asking for additional WCC members to volunteer to serve as tutors.

In the 2011-2012 school year, four WCC members tutored at Winton Hills including Alice Perlman, Carol Scott, Fran Turner, and Nancy Lu Walters. Four WCC members tutored at Rothenberg, Mary Anne Berry, Sarah Gideonse, Harriet Kaufman (who also helps with lesson planning) and

Linda Wihl. The program is sponsored by WCC's Catalyst for Achievement Action Group (CAAG).

After an initial two-three hour training, tutors will donate about an hour each week working one on one with the same child, plus traveling time to the school. Volunteer supervision, equipment and lesson plans are provided for each session. Tutor feedback each week on the child's progress determines the lesson plan for the next week's session.

Most children have the capacity to learn. However, too many children entering kindergarten in the Cincinnati Public Schools do not have age appropriate language arts skills. *Making Sense of Language Arts* uses multi-sensory techniques to build the neurology for language. Music, movement, art, touch etc. provide sensory links to strengthen the underdeveloped language center of the children's

brains. There are also phonemic awareness and comprehension components in the curriculum.

The program has a track record of helping most children to develop at or above grade level language arts skills and to leave kindergarten able to read simple words. This past year was no different. At the end of the academic year, Rothenberg students we served made significant improvement in letter and words skills, expressive ability and, for most, vocabulary. At Winton Hills fourteen out of fifteen students had scores above grade level - seven of these were well above grade level. (Remember we take only children who begin with below average ability.) The results are striking. In the twenty years the program has been offered, 85 to 100 percent of the children have learned to read simple words by the end of the year!



Sarah Gideonse at Rothenberg

We would love to have you join us as a tutor for these wonderful and challenging children! A love of children, an hour a week of your time and willingness to make a difference empowers a child to succeed!

If you are interested and wish to volunteer or want more information, please contact Linda Wihl directly, or through the office at wcc@womanscityclub.org or 513-751-0100.

~ Linda Wihl and Sarah Gideonse

WEIGH IN

SHOULD WCC ENDORSE THE CPS SCHOOL LEVY?

Traditionally the WCC Board of Trustees is responsible for taking positions on issues and actions before the public. To do so, it must be informed of the spectrum of viewpoints in the community on the issues, and a rationale for endorsement.

The board is exploring ways to involve the broader membership in their decisions, when time allows. So we are asking you to participate in a **PILOT POLL**, on whether the board should endorse Cincinnati Public Schools renewal levy on the ballot in November. Your response will inform the board's decision. Should the board vote to endorse, it would recommend the membership support the levy on the fall ballot, as well as encourage members to help pass the levy through volunteer work and campaign contributions. In recent memory, the WCC board has endorsed CPS levies.

To respond to the poll, please use the online **Survey Monkey**: www.surveymonkey.com/s/B5FVGC3. Alternatively, for people without internet access, we have provided the hard copy **polling document attached to this newsletter**. We are asking you to vote on endorsement (yes, no, no position). The third question regards involvement of membership in endorsements.

The poll includes information to help you decide how to vote. The sources are CPS documents, levy campaign staff, and information compiled by Burt Roehr and the Education Committee of the League of Women Voters.

Take the time to take a stand! Please complete the poll and return it, as instructed on the poll document, **no later than Friday, September 21**. We look forward to hearing from you!



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The mission of the Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati is to secure a more just and livable community for all. WCC programs educate, encourage, and equip citizens to play an active role in civic affairs. Committed to promoting diversity and inclusiveness, the organization reaches out to collaborate with other community organizations in the city and work toward shared goals. See womanscityclub.org for more information.

Calendar of WCC Events Calendar

Wednesday, Sept 12

Free Screening at CET: Arab American Stories

Reception at 5:30 pm, Film and 6:00 pm, Q&A period at 6:30 pm.

Monday, Oct 15

Four-Year Terms for Cincinnati City Council: A Debate

7:00 pm
Location and details TBA

Tuesday, Nov 20

WCC Monthly All-Member Meeting: Low Cost Housing & Homelessness.

7:00-8:30 pm
First Unitarian Church

Tuesday, Sept 18

WCC Monthly All-Member Meeting: Immigration Reform (The Dream Act)

7:00-8:30 pm
First Unitarian Church

Tuesday, Oct 16

WCC Monthly All-Member Meeting: A Discussion on Four-Year Terms for Cincinnati City Council

7:00-8:30 pm
First Unitarian Church

Saturday, Dec 1

Annual Feist-Tea Fundraiser

The Barrington,
Oakley

Volunteer Opportunity

Be a part of WCC's history project, A CENTURY OF WOMEN. See the article on page 4 of this bulletin.

Our history will be enriched by WCC volunteers who are willing to record their memories for a video archive of oral history.

We also need volunteers to help dig through the photos and records we have, to enhance this volume. We have a fabulous historian in Rachel Powell; let's help her produce a volume we will treasure.



The e-Bulletin, together with the Weekly Updates and News from the Network, keeps our membership connected. The next issue will appear in October. The deadline for copy will be **September 20, 2012.**

Submit articles to wcc@womanscityclub.org with the subject line "WCC bulletin" (word limit 250 words.)

- ~ Jeanne Nightingale, Managing Editor.
- ~ Marty Harrington, Layout Editor.

Attachment
WCC MEMBERSHIP POLL
ENDORSEMENT OF CPS SCHOOL LEVY RENEWAL

The WCC board is asking the membership to participate in this PILOT POLL on whether the board should endorse Cincinnati Public Schools renewal levy on the ballot in November. See Sept. 2012 Bulletin for explanation.

You may complete the poll electronically by September 21.

To do so, go to this link:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/B5FVGC3

Alternatively, complete the hard-copy poll on the reverse side of this page, and return it to the WCC office, 103 Wm. Howard Taft Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45208, no later than **September 21, 2012**. Thanks so much!

Here is some information to help you vote.

- The levy will generate \$51.5 million a year, and according to CPS, as a renewal of current operating revenue, it would not raise taxes. The current levy expires in December 2013.
- The schools have progressed academically despite eliminating 1300 jobs in the last 10 years, 200 just in the past year, together with freezing of salaries. The budget is balanced. 17 schools have been closed in response to decreasing enrollment.
- CPS revenue is declining. State funding was cut \$18 million in school year 2011-12, and will decline by \$44 million by 2014-5. Decisions by the county commissioners and Duke Energy will potentially cost CPS an additional \$8 million. Starting next year, the State is requiring CPS to reserve \$10 million for building maintenance. For more information on CPS finances, go to this link: www.cps-k12.org/general/Finances/finances.htm.
- Current spending per student is \$14,067, including administration, building operations, staff and pupil support, and instructional expenses. CPS works with a disproportionate number of students whose economic status and special needs require additional resources and adequate funding. 69.7% of the students are economically disadvantaged; 21% have disabilities; 3.7% are limited English proficient. To compare per student spending of Hamilton County school districts, please visit the following link: stateimpact.npr.org/ohio/2012/01/17/see-how-much-each-ohio-school-district-spends-per-student/
- Student proficiency scores earned CPS an “effective” rating by the state, and drop out rates had improved markedly. It should be said that a new state formula for determining district dropout rates may increase the current rate of 20%.
- According to the campaign, there is as yet no organized opposition to this levy. The NAACP has endorsed it. In the past, the opposition has argued that declining enrollment should decrease funding levels. The funding has already decreased. Much of recent enrollment loss is due to enrollment in charter and private schools as a result of expanded school choice and various voucher programs. Tuition to these schools alone comprises 19% of CPS’ budget.

Attachment
WCC MEMBERSHIP POLL
ENDORSEMENT OF CPS SCHOOL LEVY RENEWAL

QUESTION 1

I vote to endorse the CPS renewal levy on the November ballot.

yes no no position

QUESTION 2

This poll provided adequate information to allow me to make an informed vote.

yes no

What additional information did you need?

QUESTION 3

What method of membership participation in WCC endorsement of issues would you prefer?
(Check more than one if you wish)

- Polling, with information provided
- Town hall with a debate or presentation of different positions on issues, followed by discussion and vote
- Membership meeting discussion with printed information available.
- Other (Specify)_____
- I would prefer not to participate in these decisions.

Comments:
