League of Women Voters of Mason County Membership Meeting February 17, 2015 Olympic College, Johnson Library 11:30-1:30

President Amy D. called the meeting to order. Attendance: 16 (15 members, 1 speaker, 1 guest).

## Business Meeting:

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Tracy M. and seconded by Linda L. to accept the minutes from the January 20, 2015 meeting as sent out by email.

Treasurer's Report: Pat C. There is \$3137.00 in checking and 32 paid members.

Member Services: Lynn B. The February Orientation "League 101" meeting was a success. Jeanette B, Amy D, and Lynn B presented LWV History and Structure, How the League works, and current activities of our local league.

Programs: Lynda L:

March:

"Delivering Justice" with speakers Susan Sergojan, Public Defender, Superior Court Judge (pending), and Ginger Brooks, County Clerk.

April: Fossil Fuels - speaker Beth Doglio from Climate Solutions.

Promotional Committee: The results from the 'Survey Monkey' concerning Facebook to promote League programs and activities were positive. A Facebook page will be set up by Tracy M. She will be administrator and moderator with Pat C as backup.

State Program Planning Recommendations: Approved by the LWVMC Board-

- 1. Study on collaborative solutions supporting socially just housing policy to alleviate chronic homelessness.
- 2. Update on what is the economic and social cost of the underground labor market.
- 3. Program- Direct the revenue from sales of marijuana to fund mental health and substance abuse programs.

Amy D. will send these to the State League and they will be discussed at the Convention in June in Yakima.

Announcements: Legislative Newsletter; Amy D. handed out copies. She and several members have been attending the LWVWA Lobby Team on Thursdays. The Team hand delivered letters to all legislators in support of raising revenue to fund critical needs. She encouraged us to participate by reviewing the Legislative Newsletter each week and advocating for particular legislation by contacting your legislator online.

Commission Watch: a decision is being made concerning operation and funding of the Skate Board Park.

Note Cards: Are still for sale.

ALEC study update: the next meeting is to be announced.

Program: "Lost in Transit" Speaker- Kathy Geist, Transit Community Center Manager. The new Mason Transit Authority Community Center will open April 1, 2015. It has transformed the National Guard Armory into a transit -community resource center. The new facility will house Community and Transit information and many other programs and private business enterprises to benefit the community and help rider ship. It has also been setup to house a future Disaster Relief Shelter.

Minutes Submitted by Eileen O. LWVMC Secretary