

MINUTES- LWVMC Board Meeting

October 2, 2015 12:30-2:30 Shelton Library Meeting Room

Present: Lynda L, Ruby B, Lynn B, Connie S, Pat C, Jeanette B, Gwen G, Sandra H, Linda A, Adrienne A, Nancy M, Amy D, Esther R.

President Ruby B called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Secretary's Report – Minutes from the September 3 Board Meeting were approved; moved by Linda L, seconded by Pat C.

Treasurer's Report – Pat C reported a balance of \$2342.21 in checking, with 17 paid members. 4 additional membership dues were paid during the meeting. There is an outstanding bill of \$66.00 for the post office box.

Member Services –Lynn B has matched new members with mentors: Denise B/Lynn B, Ray B/Ruby B. She will ask Donna H to mentor Cindy S. She and Jeanette B will set the date for new members orientation in the near future. She presented a flow chart for incorporating new members and clarifying . She will be forming a committee to develop a plan for recruitment and retention of members. Ruby B suggested contacting Bobbie S to determine her interest. Connie S volunteered, and others will be sought out from the general membership.

Nancy M is developing new member packets, which will include information from state and national regarding goals and legislative priorities. She will send an email in November, urging prompt renewal of dues, and will email guests with a welcoming message.

Voter Services – Amy D reported that Voter Registration Day activities resulted in registering 6 voters. Turnout has been reported to the state committee. She and Norma B set up the library display cabinet with informational materials contributed by board members.

Programs

October: “Money in Politics: Amending the Constitution” with speakers –Jeff Eidsness of Wolf-PAC and Michael Savoca of Move to Amend.

November – ALEC and Privatization: Education, Prisons & Children’s Social Services with speakers Karen Latch and Jeanette Boegl.

December – Tour of WA State Women’s Corrections Center. Linda L will check into scheduling for December 15.

January – “Modern Day Debtors’ Prison?” and Legal Financial Obligations in WA State. Amy D and Jeanette B are communicating with potential speaker(s).

Candidates' Forum – October 13, at Senior Center, 2:00-4:30. Sandra H will moderate, Amy D & Linda L will coordinate handouts at the door and questions from the audience. Amy D confirmed that information has been sent to local newspaper, LWV facebook page, Senior Center Bulletin, and Senior News.

State Board Liaison Update – Ruby B reported on invitation from State Board Liaison Maurie Louis to interested members to join State committees on Voter Turnout and/or Climate Change. Amy D expressed interest in Voter Turnout. Announcement will be made at general membership meeting for interest in Climate Change. Ruby B will be submitting reports on all we do here in our league to Cynthia Stewart, State Communications Chair.

National Study: 'Money in Politics' update – Jeanette B and Pat C have scheduled first meeting for October 16, 1:00-3:00 in the library meeting room. 11 members have signed up. Consensus questions are available; Ruby B gave copy to Pat C.

Action Workshop – Amy D reported workshops for league members will be offered in Bellevue, Spokane, Yakima, and South Sound. LWVMC has an opportunity to host this 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. event for League members from Kitsap, Grays Harbor, Thurston & Mason Counties. The hosting league is responsible for establishing the theme, securing the venue, and providing lunch. Possible venues were discussed for the December 5 event, including Lucky Dog or Little Creek Casino. Potential topics were discussed, with “Modern Day Debtors’ Prison?” and Legal Financial Obligations in WA State selected.

Commission Watch – Ruby B presented a proposed sign up sheet for recruitment of members to attend commission meetings and requested input from board members for additions and review.

Announcements: Nancy M and Sandra H will collaborate on a proposal for selection and passing on of information from outside sources to members via email.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Rowland, Co-Secretary