

League of Women Voters Mason County (LWVMC)  
Board Meeting Minutes

January 3, 2020, 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Shelton, Wa Timberland Library

13 Members in Attendance

December board minutes and January agenda was amended and approved.

Treasurers Report: \$5073.57 and 45 paid members. Nancy M will contact members who have not paid dues.

Appointment of Nominating Committee: Lynn B. (technical support only), Lynda L. and Bobbie S., are members. Arlene A. and Sherry D. will be asked if they wished to join Nominating Committee, in that order. Sandy P also offered to join, if needed. Elections are held in May, 2020 after presentation of the slate of candidates in April, 2020.

Member Services: Two annual scholarships will be limited to 50% of annual dues and made on a case by case basis after vote of LWVMC Board. Requesting individual will complete an application and request scholarship on application form.

Next "League 101" is at Lynn B's home in March, 2020 and chaired by Lynda L. and Amy D.

Nancy M distributed the names of those who she had records indicating they had not paid LWVMC dues for 2019-2020.

**Programs:**

January 21: Democracy Lobby Day in Olympia with "Fix Democracy First". This takes the place of our general meeting.

February 14: Centennial Celebration, Magnolia Room, Smokin' Mo's, 5pm-7pm.

March 17, Alternative Forms of Local Government Permitted under WA Constitution. A panel

discussion was suggested. Steve Lundeen was included along other area experts for potential discussion panel on options for local governance.

April 21, ACES, Mental Health and Resiliency. Gretchen Stewart, EPA and a local Public Health Expert have been invited.

Book Discussion: Polly H. will write a paragraph for an upcoming News Letter on "Information Wars". Sherry D. will be asked to lead book group on the "The Deepest Well" before April 2020 Membership Meeting. Pat C. will write a paragraph on "The Women's Hour" for upcoming News Letter.

Centennial Committee: Cindy Shotts led the discussion. To publicize the February 14, Birthday Event, Dee Ann will prepare Special Edition of News Letter. We need donated books (contact Cindy Shottw) or bring them to next Board Meeting on February 7. These books will be **sold** at the Celebration. Also, we need donated Tea Pots to used for centerpieces that will be **sold** in silent auction at the Celebration. For each month in 2020 members will write an article for the Mason County Journal about Women's Suffrage or a noteworthy Mason County woman highlighting positive achievement and positive contribution to her family, community, state or nation. A Proclamation to the Governor from the Chair of Mason County Commission recognizing the League of Women Voters of Mason County was approved by the Board. Cindy Shotts will apply for a Heritage Grant of \$500 for the LWVMC. This money will we used to prepare written biographies, other written material and color posters of women of note in Mason County to be used as visual aids and displays in Historical Museums, Government Offices, Schools, Community Building Events, and as other forms of educational and informative communication.

Climate Change Committee: Linda S reported on the December 9th PUD #3 and future meetings with Mason County Government. Information from PUD #3 was deeply detailed, showing some items of compliance and a some action toward moving to zero carbon emissions. Mason County Transit is the next scheduled meeting to be held on January 6,2020, 10:30 am Shelton Library. The Committee also have met with the Port Authority in Mason County. The

LWVMC Climate Committee reports they are in the very beginning for their work to identify actions taken by Mason County government to mitigate and prevent the climate change. This study, including actions, agendas and plans for each agency relevant to a zero carbon emission future in Mason County is ongoing and will be relevant in the several years to come. The Committee will develop a forum for speakers.

Web Site: It was announced that the WEB Site is on line and ready for review. All were encouraged to do so and report any problems.

They Represent You (TRY) Brochure: These brochures must be updated based on the 2019 state and local election. This will be done by Pat C, Karen H, and Linda W. using the county elections website.

- January 6: Climate Change Committee. Shelton Library, 10:30 am  
6: Centennial Committee, Lynn B, 612 W Birch Street, Shelton, 1:00 pm  
15: Census and Redistricting Forum, Thurston County LWV  
18: Voter Registration Training, Auditors Office, 415 N 5th, Shelton, 9:00 am -12 pm  
18: Women's March, Capitol Steps, Olympia  
21: LWVMC Membership Meeting/Lobby Day, Olympia. Parking in Olympia, members may sign up for carpools on the sign-up genius email which will be corrected and sent to all members.  
25: League Local, State and National Program Planning, LWV Thurston County, 1:00 pm Rooms 101-102, Olympia Center, 220 Colombia St NW. For information on how this meeting will inform and prepare LWVMC please contact Lynn Busacca.  
29: Post Card Party, Fat Cat Coffee Shop, 118 S 3rd St, Shelton
- February 7: Board Meeting, Shelton Library, 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm  
14: Centennial Birthday Open House, Magnolia Room, 109 S 2nd Street, Shelton  
26: Post Card Party focused on specific climate issues, Fat Cat Coffee Shop, 118 S 3rd, Shelton
- March 6: Board Meeting, Shelton Library, 12:30 pm -2:30 pm  
17: LWVMC Membership Meeting 11:00 am - 1:30 pm, Johnson Library, Olympic College, Shelton Wa

25: Post Card Party, Fat Cat Coffee Shop, 118 S 3rd, Shelton