LWVMC Board Minutes February 2, 2024, via Zoom

Present: Dee Ann K., Sandy M., Peggy M., Amy D., Eileen P. Amy D. called the meeting to order at 11:33 The meeting quote was in remembrance of Dr. Deborah Ann Turner, 20th President of LWVUS The agenda was approved. The minutes of the January 5, 2024, Board meeting were approved.

Executive and Committee Reports

1. Leadership Team. Amy D. gave an update on Council 2024, She met with Mary Coltrane, Amy Peloff, and Darlene Hein from Thurston County, (co-host with LWVMC). Council will be held May 31 to June 2, 2024. There will be a tour of the Capitol on May 31, and the meetings will be held at South Puget Sound Community College, 6th Ave. SE, in Lacey, on June 1 and 2.

Dee Ann K. reported the National League Convention is in mid-June, 2024. On-line registration is \$125 and in person is \$2200 including air fare, hotel, meals, etc. The Education Fund can help with 60% of costs. Dee Ann will find out if those who register for online participation can be delegates. The Journalism Study, which LWVMC participated in will be looking national concurrence.

Dee Ann K. relayed an email Lynn B. sent in lieu of her attendance. She reminded the Board of "Shelton Voices" event at Timberland Library in Shelton, February 10, 2024, 9:30-2:30. Llyn D., Linda W., Carolyn M., Ellen S., and Karen R. will be docents. The new TRY brochures will be handed out.

2. Treasurer. Sandy M. filed 60 members with National. Since our budget is built on 68 members, we may have to do some tweaking. She reported a bank balance of \$4997.68, CD investment of \$1101.03, and education fund of \$4153.97. We should be fine with what we want to do. The TRY brochure printing will come out of the education fund. A deposit of \$500 in the education fund was canceled due to red tape issues.

3. Member Services. We have 60 members.

4. Programs. Amy D. reported Olympic College Library is now available for hybrid meetings.

February will be Legacy Forests speaker Joshua Wright, The Green Amendment speaker Sherri Dysart, and Ranked Choice Voting speaker Chris Mason.

March will be a primer on WA state current initiatives.

5. No Climate Change report.

6. Advocacy. Amy D. gave a brief description on Lobby Week and encouraged members to continue to take action from the Legislative Action Newsletter sent on email.

7. No Observer Corps report.

8. Communications. Peggy M. showed the proposal for messaging strategy for

communications. It will be sent to all members to consider, and the Board can consider it again next month when all members have had a chance to review it and give feedback. Facebook was reactivated February 6, 2023. We still only have a small following, and have added 10 to 12 views. She is looking for bold, aggressive posts to attract attention. Right now it is mainly alerts to upcoming activities.

New Business. There is a recommendation for Bob Ferguson to look into Fire District 12. Adjourned at 12:35pm. Respectfully submitted, Eileen Perfrement, Secretary