

**League of Women Voters General Membership Meeting December 16, 2025,
11:30 Faith Lutheran Church, Three Door Room, and on Zoom**

Present: Sue U., Tracey M., Lynn B., Jody H., Peggy M., Sandy M., Amy D., Karen R., Lynda L., Randy L., Connie S., Cindy S., Peggy J., Patti B., Steve D., Lyn D., Diana F., Karen H., Eileen P. Reporter for Mason County Journal Gordon Weeks

Speakers: Sandy Tarzwell, Linda Reimen, Jane McGee, Tammy Clark Present On

Line: Dee Ann K.P., Jim P., Cheryl W., Linda W., Kim J., Francisca R., Mark T

Amy called the meeting to order at 11:33 am.

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the November 18, 2025, were approved.

Leadership Team Amy reported on the President's meeting for all units in the state. Potential League partnerships were discussed. The American Association of University Women overlaps with many concerns the LWWA advocates. The 1200 members in Washington hope to form a partnership with the League. Dee Ann called attention to the LWVWC website which posts the upcoming lobby activities during the Legislative session beginning January 12, 2026. Fair Vote Washington sponsors Lobby Day at the Capitol January 23. Members can register on line, and you must register to attend. A meeting January 20, 2026, will focus on Tools of Persuasion, how to tell what information is factual. A meeting February 24, 2026, will be on getting to know AI.

Treasurer Patti highlighted the Treasurer's Report she sent by email and projected during the meeting. As of November 30, 2025, there is \$7697.95 in checking, \$1181.19 in the CD, and \$6799.52 in the Education Fund. The League donates \$100 each meeting to the church for meeting space, and the Boot was passed to collect any donations the members would like to make. She also offered League cards of 5 in a pack for a donation of \$10 for the Education Fund.

Member Services Lynn reported 100 members.

Voter Services Dee Ann announced the Voter Services Committee will resume in January.

Advocacy A possible study group will be formed on Economic Health in Mason County. Karen R. reported a meeting of the Mason County Immigrant Support Network (MCISN) is Friday, December 19 at 4:30. They have been making and promoting whistle kits, which alerts citizens to the presence of ICE. Karen R. circulated a sheet for members to sign up to make the kits.

Amy announced the Legislative Session is January 12 to March 12, 2026. Lobby Week is January 26 to January 29, with opportunities for in person meetings with the Legislators and evening Zoom sessions from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. You must register on line to receive the invitation to the Zoom link.

Programs January 20, 2026, general membership meeting is on Educating the Incarcerated or Recently Released on their voting rights. David Lund, SOS Criminal Justice Specialist is the speaker. League member, Peggy J. is organizing. The February 17, 2026, is on Immigration, with new member Kim D. taking the lead.

Story Telling Update Peggy M. reported the interviews were conducted December 11, 2025. More will be scheduled.

Observer Corps Peggy M. announced the County Commissioners approved the Comprehensive Plan at the hearing December 16, 2025, just prior to this meeting. They listened to public comment and will continue to listen to community concerns. It does include an environmental impact section. New League member Cindy S. has joined the PAC, which meets to revise the Comprehensive Plan. Peggy M. is preparing a list of all the public meetings members can attend, observe and take notes.

Amy adjourned the business meeting at 11:57 am and introduced the Peacemakers, a newly formed organization to promote dialogue across political division by looking for common concerns. The four guest speakers introduced their organization and led a lively discussion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eileen Perfment, Secretary

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