

## **League of Women Voters of Mason County Board Meeting - ZOOM October 7, 2022 at 12:30 pm**

**Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Cheryl Williams**

Attending: Cheryl Williams, Lynda Links, Sherri Dysart, Francesca Ritson, Amy Davis, Pat Carpenter, Liz Ellis, Cindy Shotts, Eileen Perfremment

Cheryl Williams hosted the meeting.  
Minutes were taken by Eileen Perfremment.

**Minutes:** Amy Davis moved, Pat Carpenter seconded, and the September 2, 2022 minutes were approved.

### **EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Leadership Team: Francesca Ritson**

For the future, we should consider redoing the bylaws. We also need to appoint a Communications Czar.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Pat Carpenter**

The post office box fee was increased to \$166. Current balance is \$3,545.14.  
Current members are encouraged to renew their membership.

Donations are coming in to pay the honorarium for the guest speaker at the next general membership meeting on October 18, 2022.

Pat Carpenter moved, Lynda Links seconded, and the motion passed to add **Sandy Miller** to the OCCU checking account as a backup treasurer to Pat Carpenter.

#### **Voter Services: Amy Davis**

Most of the time has been devoted to the Speed Dating event on October 20, 2022.

**Eileen Perfremment** did register 3 new voters at the YMCA Open House September 16, 2022.

**Eileen Perfremment** did have a table at the Candidate Forum September 20, 2022. All attendees indicated their registration was up to date. She will also have a table at the Speed Dating event October 13, 2022.

**Program Committee: Amy Davis**

October 18, 2022: Steve Kolk, Actuary;

November 15: Fire districts;

December 20, 2022: Judge Cadine Ferguson-Brown;

January 17, 2023: Gardening with climate change

### **Debrief of Candidates' Forum**

Board members agreed it was a success. Since it was recorded, Amy suggested we send a copy to the Associated Press, since they are interested in covering the Speed Dating event. The Auditor position has gained attention in the state and perhaps nationally.

### **Speed Dating October 13, 2022**

Since the Associated Press will be attending, even though they have promised not to ask us questions, Amy suggested we invite **Kathy Sakahara** from Seattle to attend. She could represent the League in any questions the AP may have. We can speak to them as non-league members if we remove our League of Women Voters nametag.

**Cindy Shotts** will conduct a training for table facilitators by Zoom on Tuesday, October 11, at 10 am. **Lynda Links, Amy Davis, and Karen Herr** will also be on the Zoom.

There will be tables for press, candidates to leave brochures, and voter registration.

Participants will be assigned a table by color and letter as they arrive, the candidates will be introduced by Joel Myers and have a 30-second time to speak, then they will sit at the tables for 5 minutes to answer questions, with 1 minute to move clockwise to the next table. The candidates running unopposed will not be speaking at tables but may sit at a table as one of the participants. Joel and Cindy will wrap it up at the end.

### **Climate Change Committee: Sherri Dysart**

CCC regular meetings:

Oct. 24 (not confirmed) Legacy Forest Hike

Oct. 27 @ 11 am Zoom: Guillermo Rogel on environmental justice

Other: State Building Code Council rally in Olympia at 10am

General membership guest Steve Kolk on Future Climate Risks/ Inflation Reduction Act Oct. 18 Marty Gibbons and Francesca Ritson will co host on Zoom. Flyer says Kitsap, Thurston, Mason will co-sponsor. Kitsap will donate \$200, and Thurston will donate \$100 to honorarium. Suggestion to publicize in Kitsap Sun and Thurston Talk. MasonWebTV will record.

**Cindy Shotts** moved, **Lynda Links** seconded, motion carried to allocate up to \$250 for ad in Shelton Mason County Journal. Sherri will contact the Journal.

Sherri will need to resign as CCC chair. Looking for replacement. The Shoreline Study will be the main action November to January. Suggest The New Climate War by Michael Mann for book club.

**Advocacy: Amy Davis**

Members need to convey confidence in election system to neighbors and friends.

**Observer Corps: Cheryl Williams**

Observers needed at City Council and County Commissioners meetings, now in person.

**New Business**

**Liz Ellis** introduced a project of National Organization of Women called Period Action Day (PAD).

The purpose is to fight against women's poverty through the collection of menstrual hygiene products. They will be donated to Turning Pointe in Mason County. **Lynn Busacca** offered her porch as a donation site, tampons preferred, by October 22.

**Francesca Ritson** moved, **Lynda Links** seconded, motion carried to bring to the general meeting Oct. 18

**Upcoming Events**

October 13 – Speed Dating with the Candidates; 6:30 at Civic Center

October 18 - General membership on Zoom at 11:30, speaker at 12:00, Steve Kolk, Future Climate Risks and "Inflation Reduction Act"

Shoreline Study will begin in November, at Lynda Links home, completed in January.

**Meeting adjourned 2:20 pm**