League of Women Voters of Mason County General Meeting September 19, 2023 Olympic College, Shelton, Library and Zoom 11:30 am to 12:00 pm. Program 12:00pm-1:30 pm

Amy Davis called the meeting to order at 11:32 am.

Present: Nancy Snyder, Cheryl Williams, Francesca Ritson, Amy Davis, Dee Ann Kline, Diana Findlay, Dorothy Oetter, Arlene Army, Peggy Morell, Lynda Links, Gloria Sypnicki in person. On Zoom were Lynn Busacca, Pat Carpenter, Tamra Ingwaldson, Carole Washburn, Esther Rowland, Jean Farmer, Sue K., and Paul W.

Agenda approved; Dee Ann moved, Lynda seconded. Motion carried. First General Meeting of the 2023-24 Program Year.

The minutes for June 6 2023, General Meeting were approved. Arlene moved, Lynda seconded, Approval of Minutes after corrections passed. Motion carried.

Executive and Committee Reports

A. Leadership Team

Amy went to the state President's meeting; report to come to board.

B. Treasurer-Pat Carpenter

There are 68 members. \$1,454.00 is the balance. \$1,075 in the CD. \$4,003.97 in education fund. We paid state membership. Pat announced that dues should be either paid online at <u>Mason County | MyLO</u> (<u>lwv.org</u>) or by mail at P. O. Box 2465. Scholarships are available.

Motion to approve 2023-24 Budget made by Dee Ann, Francesca seconded. Motion carried.

- C. Committee Reports
- 1. Voter Services-Dee Ann Kline

October 4 and October 11 School District's Panel discussions. These two events are just a meet and greet the candidates.

October 17 6:30 to 8:30 Speed Dating at PUD Auditorium, John's Prairie Road

September 26 at 11:30 and 6:30 Zoom meetings to formulate questions; Zoom link to come

2. Member Services-Lynn Busacca

There are three new members, Nancy Johnson, Myrn Stuart, and Gloria Sypnicki, who was in attendance.

A League 101 will be held at Timberland Regional Library; info to come.

3. Advocacy-Amy Davis

Chris Mason attended a workshop on redistricting. We will participate in the upcoming statewide study of Public Hospital Districts.

Watch for an e-mail from Deborah Turner, President of LWV, with volunteer opportunities.

4. Program-Amy Davis

Speed Dating October 17 for Shelton School Board candidates, judges, and city council members.

5. Bylaws-Peggy Morell

Peggy and Lynn have been working on the bylaws since last December.

Please review the email sent earlier by October 31, 2023, and come prepared to vote at the November 21 General Membership meeting. Direct any questions to Peggy or Lynn.

6. Climate Change-Lynda Links

Lynda reported on the tour of the Transfer Station. Possible tour of a new recycling location on John's Prairie; they will begin accepting organic food waste, date to come.

Next meeting Thursday, October 19 at 11:00 AM. State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), which was introduced in the 1970s, topic of discussion. Environmental Impact Statements and Taylor Shellfish will be highlighted. Lynda stated that this was an important meeting, and to learn more about being an effective advocate, go to Department of Natural Resource meetings.

7. Announcements

Tamra Ingwaldson updated on Veterans' Village, landscaping in progress. Still taking applications for residency. Fundraiser, September 30, The Pavilion, Shelton.

Follow this link to purchase tickets, \$50 each: <u>portals.compass-</u> <u>360.org/Compass360WebUserServices08/org=quixotevillage.com/eventId=2AB78867-1D22-</u> <u>4F7E-8714-B090BFCAA73D/request=standard</u>

Business Meeting Adjourned at 12:00pm

8. Program: Marissa Rathbone, WSSDA; Trisha Lubach, WSSDA; Joel Aune, WASA; Rosa Torres, School Director, Pasco; Nikki Lockwood, School Director, Spokane; Michelle Whitney, Superintendent, Pasco; and Adam Levell, Superintendent, Spokane spoke about school director responsibilities.

Program Meetin adjourned at 1:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Williams, Acting Secretary