

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS of THURSTON COUNTY**  
**Family Support Center Meeting Room**  
**State and Capitol, Olympia**  
**BOARD MINUTES 3/21/18**

**Present:** Pat Dickason, Ruth Harms, Peggy Murphy, RPeggy Smith, Darlene Hein, Marilyn Funk, Julie Frick, Annie Cubberly, Sandra Herndon **Excused:** Shelley Ferer, Connie Christy, Phyllis Farrell

**President Pat Dickason called the meeting to order at 11:35am.**

The agenda was approved with the addition of two items.

**Minutes/Financials**

Sandra M/S/P to approve the minutes as amended. Annie M/S/P to accept the financial report. Pat reported that the Executive Committee approved \$100 to support the March for Our Lives.

**Updates**

*Intercultural Competency Initiative.* Sandra reported the initial meeting of the project group. Next steps include a consultation meeting with YWCA staff (with a subsequent contract with the League), individual work, and quarterly group sessions.

Climate Action Convention, April 14. Pat reported plans for the simultaneous March for Science to stream online at the convention. LWVTC has four free registrations: Annie, Pat, Marilyn, and possibly Shelley. The convention will be at SPSCC-Lacey.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership:** There was discussion about raising the dues to \$75 per year; the committee will bring a motion to the Board in April for approval for the increase. Also there was discussion about offering several scholarships for those with financial need. In addition, Pat announced that LWVTC will receive PMP credit for 10 student memberships for next year.

**Communications:** RPeggy requested Voter submissions by Monday, March 26. There was discussion regarding the best means to reach various constituents.

**State League News/Updates:** RPeggy reported that the LWVWA office will be moving a few blocks away in Seattle and reminded members that the LWVWA administrator Tiffany DeVoy is responsive to queries both by phone and email; LWVWA also has a newly designed website.

LWVWA Council will be held June 1-3 in Richland, WA. Delegates will be the president and one other member, for voting purposes. LWVWA is supporting I-1600 in favor of WA universal healthcare.

**Public Meeting 4/17 Update.** Sandra distributed flyers (designed by Sue Bredensteiner) with information regarding the 4/17 meeting on "Communicating Effectively with Elected Officials" and asked members to post them in conspicuous places. She and Sue will publicize the meeting in a variety of venues. It is already on the website, Annie will post it on Facebook, and other venues were suggested.

**March for Our Lives 3/24.** League members wanting to march with signs should meet Julie at 10:45am in front of Wagner's Bakery. The march will begin at the Capitol at 11am with a few speeches and then proceed down Capital Way to Sylvester Park for a few more speeches. Pat and Marilyn will staff a voter registration table.

**Coffee with the League.** Julie reported that the group will be meeting at a different location very soon. Attendees this week made the signs for the march.

**Future Planning**

**Annual Meeting.** May 17, 5:30-8:00pm at the Friends' Meeting Hall. Members are requested to come a little early to help set up; there will be a potluck dinner. The Executive Committee is planning the agenda which will include Bylaw revisions (to be presented at April board meeting for approval) and report from the Nominating Committee.

**TRY distribution.** Pat brought copies of the TRY brochures and handed them out for distribution.

**Education Fund Luncheon.** The date will be Saturday, October 20. Julie reported on location options, and the Board agreed that Indian Summer Country Club Embers Restaurant was the best choice. She also identified a list of possible speakers; the board agreed that there were many excellent choices and individuals who hold or have held partisan offices should be deleted from the list.

***The State We're In* (8<sup>th</sup> ed.) Book Launch, at 123 4<sup>th</sup> Ave meeting room.** League members will be invited and asked to bring an appetizer, and LWVTC will provide beverages. Ruth M/S/P that the Board purchase 90 copies for distribution to interested League members at the book event and annual meeting.

**Items to Consider—National.**

**Tech support.** Annie reminded the board of our previously expressed need for periodic tech support. After discussion of various options, we agreed that SPSCC may be a source for referral for a qualified person.

**Need for Communications Committee members.** Sandra reiterated the need for someone to lead the Communications Committee now that RPeggy is going off the board and also no longer chairing the committee. (She has agreed to assist the committee next year.) Currently, Annie and Pat post on Facebook, Pat sends out email blasts, RPeggy maintains the website and also edits and writes for *The Voter*, and Caroline provides tech support for the website.

Signs were distributed. Meeting adjourned at 1:35.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Herndon, Secretary