

**League of Women Voters of Thurston County  
Minutes, Board meeting, April 3, 2019 1:30-3:30pm**

Olympia Unitarian Universalist Church, 2315 Division St. NW, Olympia 98502

**Present:** Shelley Ferer, Cynthia Pratt, Sue Bredensteiner (on speaker phone), Paula Holroyde, Zena Hartung, Julie Frick, Valerie Hammett and Carol Goss

**Substitute Presiding:** Carol Goss

**Absent:** Sandra Herndon, Mary Moore, Annie Cubberly, Connie Christy

**Guests:** Laurie Craig, Pat Dickason, Esther Kronenberg

**Time-keeper:** Zena Hartung

**Substitute Secretary:** Zena Hartung

Call to order- Meeting called by Carol Goss at 1:42 pm

Announcements

Carol Goss

1-Board development debrief at next meeting (May 1) in context of survey results

2-Convention delegation-Paula, Sue, Carol, Karen V., Mary, Sandra one open seat

Convention June 7-9

3-Table display- tabled!

4-South Sound Climate Convention-April 13-not discussed

Agenda Approval

Sue B. objects to non-partisan policy as bylaws discussion. Language and bylaws tabled.

In addition, we suggested creating a bylaws committee with the new board. Until then, continue using what we have, i.e the nonpartisan statement Sandra adds to the bottom of our board meeting agenda, etc.

Agenda approved with alteration.

**\*\*Ad hoc Discussion-sponsoring Capital City Marathon-right to run/right to vote**

Board agreed-we should support- sponsor-\$250 (Paula/Julie)

Valerie offered her basement apartment to help defray costs.

Minutes approved (Julie/Valerie)

Financial Report- Cynthia (see Cynthia's email) Please get any requests for reimbursements to Cynthia by May 31, 2019 (soon as possible pls.) as she's transitioning off the board as Treasurer. Leslie Williamson is nominated treasurer for 2019-2021.

Board Game- Shelley proposed the purchase of one deck of the Politicraft social studies game costing \$11.89 plus shipping. It is the goal of Thurston League to increase educational outreach, and to do so in new ways. Over the course of the next year, Shelley will engage with groups of 5-6 young people and adults in various settings to play the game. She plans to recruit 1-2 other members to help with the project. The board agreed to purchase the game and for multiple people to learn and use the game, it was suggested to purchase 2 of the games.

Items for approval at annual meeting, Wed. May 15

\*Budget proposal- Presented by Julie, well accepted (see Julie's email)

Draft budget Julie presented for Annual Meeting will also have the following information:

|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7/1/19 Estimated Cash on Hand | Operating Fund \$6500 |
|                               | Education Fund \$9500 |
| Gladys Burns CD               | \$2959                |
| Savings Account               | \$ 4370               |

\*Nominating Committee Report- Pat Dickason presented, see below.

\*By-laws addition: see note above

\*Paula suggested we have regular general meetings next year. This to include a Spring/Summer Social (i.e. picnic at a park) and continue with at least 2 more water study events. 10 per year, including Summer Social/Picnic, EdFund Luncheon, and 2 water study events. Paula suggested we honor our senior League members at the Summer Social/Picnic as we begin looking toward the Centennial. Karen V and Carol are doing an archive dive next week to research league history and its earlier movers and shakers. Centennial- Maybe one of the meetings could address the "unsung heroes" of past

Membership-Valerie confirmed April 17 plans for reception, see Valerie

The hospitality room at 123 on 4th is currently out of commission (being repaired) and Karen Verrill will host the reception at her condo. (Thank you Karen!)

Presently 185 members see Sue B.

MELD-Shelley-Good meeting

EdFund Luncheon -Indian Summer reservations for Annual Meeting-2 possible dates-Oct 19 or 26. Decide by next bd. Mtg. Besides dates - possible Key note speaker and other details are evolving.

Voter/Website/Facebook-(Tech Support Committee-Sue stepped down, no one on board wants job) Need professional help to perhaps create new website? Nationbuilder webinar and maintenance of lists, contacts, etc. Some names suggested: Scot and Linda Whitney, Scott Bishop, Dan Mccammon named, bring ideas to next board meeting for follow-up. We agreed to add Voter Software to the budget. "Mailchimp Newsletter Software" costing \$200. Suggested we use Gladys Burns as funding source.

Announcement:\*

Clay S, guest from last meeting will be at Valerie's on Saturday to provide more info about voting alternatives. Games! Coffee! 10 AM

\*Directories out to new members

Esther K. presented Green Cove info, including article and maps. Motion: Board will write a letter to Maia Bellon, Dept of Ecology, supporting Kevin Hansen (Water Resources, Thurston County) and his report on the potential risks of development. We will advocate for a scientific investigation of site

No action at this time: must await his report.  
Moved, seconded, passed.

Meeting adjourned 3:45 PM

Minutes submitted by Substitute Secretary: Zena Hartung

## THURSTON LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

### Nominating Committee Report of Elected Officers and Directors, 2019 slate:

#### Nominating Committee members:

Off Board members: Pat Dickason, chair; Darlene Hein; Karen Tvedt  
Board nominated members: Zena Hartung, Sue Bredensteiner

#### Board Member positions to be recruited by Nominating Committee:

Secretary

Treasurer

Three others 2 members for 2 year terms; 1 member for 1 year term

#### Nominating Committee recommendations:

Secretary R Peggy Smith, 2 year term [rpps4u@comcast.net](mailto:rpps4u@comcast.net)

Treasurer Leslie Williamson 2 year term [joeandleslie1@comcast.net](mailto:joeandleslie1@comcast.net)

#### Directors (Team Leaders):

Voter Services Gail Gosney Wrede 2 year term [gailcg@comcast.net](mailto:gailcg@comcast.net)

Membership Carol Goss 2 year term [cgosslink@gmail.com](mailto:cgosslink@gmail.com)

Advocacy Paula Holroyde 1 year term [hapapafarm@gmail.com](mailto:hapapafarm@gmail.com)

Appointed Directors: (1 year terms) New Board appoints 4.

#### Other Background Information:

Current Board members with expiring terms in 2019 include:

|                   |                    |                   |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Carol Goss        | Secretary          | one year term     |
| Cynthia Pratt     | Treasurer          | one year term     |
| Annie Cubberly    | Facebook Lead      | 2 year term       |
| Shelley Ferrer    | MELD               | 2 year term       |
| Sue Bredensteiner | Voter Editor       | appointed, 1 year |
| Connie Christy    | Voter Services     | appointed, 1 year |
| Zena Hartung      | Programming        | appointed 1 year  |
| Paula Holroyde    | Coffee With League | appointed 1 year  |

(FYI, Board members with expiring terms in 2020 include:

Sandra Herndon

Mary Moore

Julie Frick

Valerie Hammett—Valerie is stepping down in June, 2019)

Submitted 3/29/2019 pd