League of Women Voters of Thurston County

Board Meeting

May 22, 2019

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

Present: Sandra Herndon, President, Carol Goss, Leslie Williamson, Julie Frick, Gail Wrede, Mary Moore, and Peggy Smith.

Absent: Sue Bredensteiner.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Sandra at 10:10 am.

Business: The only item of business for this meeting was for the “new” elected board members to generate a list of members who can be asked to serve a 1-Year Appointed Term.

It was noted that elected board members are now filling most of the identified positions and defined roles. An exception is Volunteer Coordinator and Membership, Engagement, Leadership Development (MELD) contact, which will continue to be done off-board by Shelley Ferer. This led to a discussion of the skills and abilities that could strengthen the board. There were also some personal attributes that were mentioned as desirable, such as being reliable and team workers. Areas where help would be welcome were mentioned:

- Publicity
- Outreach to other organizations
- Technology
- Community Awareness
- Awareness of voter services from a national perspective.

Following this background discussion, members provided names of likely candidates, along with information they had about experience in League, interests, and potential for contributions, as far as they were known. This information contributed to the process of coming up with a priority list of people who would be contacted by Sandra.

For the Good of the Order: Two other items were covered.

Summer Picnic, which is scheduled for Friday, August 16, 2019 at the Priest Point Part Rose Garden. Mary is starting work on this and will welcome help. The members agreed that it would be good to invite LWV-Mason County members to join us.

Voter Services is up and running, given the closeness of the August 6, 2019 Primary Election date. Jen Minich, in consultation with Connie Christy, is working on the Video-Taped Forums. She is pulling together necessary candidate information in order to be prepared to hold them on June 29, 2019 at Thurston Community Media (TCM). It was
mentioned that in Gail’s role as Voter Services Chair, she will be providing direction and oversight to the various voter services activities.

Respectfully Submitted, Peggy Smith, Secretary

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