

LWVTC Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 10:00 am

The officers present were Karen Tvedt, President; Julie Frick, Vice President; Leslie Williamson, Treasurer; Peggy Smith, Secretary.

| Agenda Item | Facilitator | Actions Proposed | Action Taken |
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| New appointed board members | Julie Frick | Update; next steps | The following were approved as Board Members: Fran Beard, Shelley Kneip, and Nathaniel Jones. Julie will make another contact from the board's June 3 list for a fourth member. |
| Board retreat planning and date | Julie Frick | Update; next steps | Julie will be presenting several late Jul/early Aug date options to members, as well as asking about comfort with a face-to-face meeting. If dates and comfort level work out, the retreat may be held at Leslie's house. |
| The Voter | Karen Tvedt | When? Content? | A June/July Voter will be sent with limited content, as will a July/Aug Voter with fuller content, to be determined. |
| Candidate forums: primary and general (need coordinator(s)) | Karen Tvedt | Update; input | June forum tapes will be available soon. Karen will be asking Pat Harrigan and Shelley Kneip to coordinate the General Election forums. |
| 1) Finance Committee: 2) signature cards; 3) Give Local campaign; 4) masks | Julie Frick & Leslie Williamson | Update; decisions | 1. The ad hoc Finance Committee is still being formed. 2. Signature card changes have not been made but will be soon. 3. A Give Local fundraiser will not be done this year-possibly next. 4. Julie will pursue obtaining "VOTE" masks. |
| Proposals: 1) update on proposal from C. Persons & L. Doran; 2) form ad hoc group to support adoption of Thurston Mitigation Plan (attached); | Karen Tvedt & Peggy Smith | Update; decisions | 1. The Voter Suppression activity proposal is on hold for now. 2. The formation of a Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan ad hoc review group was approved (see proposal below). |

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| 3) observe & collect information about the Port | | | 3. Karen will be asking for some clarification about the proposal for Port observation. |
| Other? | | | No other business. |

Notes, Draft 1, 6/25/2020, Karen and Julie corrections made 6/27/2020 – approved
Submitted by Peggy Smith, Secretary.

Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan Review Group -- Proposed by Peggy Smith, June 21, 2020

Proposal That the LWVWA Board of Directors establish an ad hoc group of members to follow, review, and draft comments related to the development of 27th the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan, under the auspices of the Thurston Regional Planning Council.

Background While the Thurston County League of Women Voters does not have a position on Climate Change, it is an area of concern for our members. With the support of the Climate Change Position of the League of Women Voters, we have taken actions consistent with that position.* For example, we have several members who have been active participant in the Thurston Climate Action Team (TCAT), and we have supported several Climate Summits held by this group. During the LWVTC Program Planning Meeting in January, climate change was identified as the number three priority.

Although the development of this plan has been slowed down by factors related to the COVID-19, there will be enhanced activity soon. This will provide the opportunity for LWV TC to weigh in on actions that may be taken to address climate change locally.

Process Upon board approval, members who have an interest in climate change or are looking for a way to get more engaged in League activities will be asked to join an *ad hoc* Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan Review Group. This group would be responsible for coordinating their work with that of TCAT. As TCAT focuses on mobilizing to get the word out asking folks to sign pledge cards and urge their

elected officials to support the plan, the LWVTC group will take more of a public policy advocacy approach.

The group's tasks will involve:

- monitoring the development of the plan and reading drafts as they become available
- providing information about the plan process and content to the membership
- providing suggestion about what members may do as individuals to influence the plan to align with League positions
- preparing draft input that may be made by the LWVTC Board.

It is also possible that the work of this group will result in increased lobbying on climate change issues during the next legislative session.

- Climate Change: Support climate goals and policies that are consistent with the best available climate science and that will ensure a stable climate system for future generations. (LWVUS)