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League of Women Voters of Queen Anne's County **Board Meeting Minutes** February 14, 2022 **Centreville Library**

Attending: Patricia Jamison, Pat Sommers, Liz Hammond, Gina Crook, Mary Campbell, Julie Ranelli, Jinny Guy, Joyce Woodford

Patricia Jamison called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Prior Minutes: Pat Sommers distributed the final version of the January 10, 2022, minutes before the meeting. Mary Campbell moved to approve the minutes and Liz Hammond seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara Sharkey was not present at the meeting, but she had distributed the Treasurer's Report earlier. The Education Fund has a balance of \$11,180.93, and the Operating Fund has a balance of \$5,328.31 for a total of \$16,509.24. That compares to the balance of \$15,496.64 on January 31, 2021.

We received one donation of \$250.00 to our Education Fund. The only expenditure this month was \$25 for a LWVMD Winter Workshop fee.

Jinny Guy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and Gina Crook seconded. The Report was approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Database and Calendar:** Pat Sommers reported that there were no changes to the database or calendar. The Board discussed the need to update the calendar to reflect the changes recently announced in candidate filing deadlines, and Pat said she would update it before the next meeting.
- **Social Media (Facebook and Webpage):** There was nothing significant to report regarding the Facebook page and the Website. Gina Crook raised a question about Election Judges in Queen Anne's County.

- Archiving Records: A meeting had been scheduled for the Archiving Records Committee to discus the next steps. Unfortunately, the meeting had to be postponed. Patricia Jamison will reschedule it.
- <u>Vote 411 Training (02/21), Barbara Crain:</u> Liz Hammond reported that the date for the 411 training has been changed to February 21. Ten people are coming and there will be two trainers.
- Police Accountability Act: Patricia Jamison sent another email to the Sheriff about getting an update on Queen Anne's County's implementation of the Police Accountability Act of 2021 but has received no response. She will try again. She has also heard from LWVMD that implementation of the Act has been challenging across the state.
- **Nominating Committee:** Joyce Woodford volunteered to be the Board member participant on the Nominating Committee. Marion Grier will continue on the Committee, and Carolyn Armstrong is the third member. They will be polling the Board members shortly to determine how many vacancies will need to be filled.
- **LWVMD Winter Workshop:** Patricia Jamison attended the on-line Winter Workshop. All League Presidents were asked to participate in a breakout session on Copyright Dos and Dont's. Patricia and Barbara Sharkey will review the handouts.
- Program Planning Response from Board: Patricia Jamison submitted
 the LWVQAC response to LWVUS on the 2021 Program Planning Survey. In
 our response, we supported the League's proposed program focus Continuing the Campaign for Making Democracy Work, which includes
 Voting Rights, Improving Elections, Redistricting, and Money in Politics. We
 also provided information on what activities we are undertaking that
 support the program focus.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Committee Report on Photo Permission Form: The Committee (Patricia Jamison, Gina Crook, Liz Hammond, Julie Ranelli) looked at various samples they had collected and developed a form that is relatively simple – simpler than some of the samples. They did not include a space for minors and their guardians to sign, which we would need if we wanted to have pictures of minors. The Board discussed ways to handle various scenarios, such as taking pictures of a large event like our annual dinner.

Liz Hammond made a motion to approve the photo permission form as developed by the committee, and Joyce Woodford seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously.

• **Annual Dinner (Speaker and Location):** Patricia Jamison reported that John Lewis, the Head of School at Gunston School, has agreed to be the speaker, and will talk about Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Joyce Woodford confirmed that the Annual Dinner will be held at Prospect Bay on Tuesday, May 10 from 5:30-8:30pm. She has also confirmed that we have access to a projector and a screen, since Mr. Lewis will have a PowerPoint presentation.

John Lewis will bring his wife, and the Board agreed to pay for both of their dinners.

Joyce will look at menu options. The Board agreed that if the cost gets to be too expensive the League can offset some of the costs.

The Board still needs to prepare an advertisement, a booklet and a flier. We will need to begin announcing the Annual Dinner to paid members at least 30 days in advance, according to the By-Laws.

- Mid-Term Elections and Forums: Patricia Jamison was contacted by the Kent County LWV. Kent understands that ballots are going to be mailed out May 21. That will mean that they want to move the forums up to the first three Sundays in May.
- M. Margaret Update on the Museum and a Request: Mary Margaret sent an email to Patricia Jamison and asked for support from the LWVQAC for the Women's Museum. Patricia sent back a request for specifics, but had not received a response yet.
- <u>Resignation of Board Member:</u> Patricia Jamison reported that Lorie Andersen-Petrie submitted her resignation from the Board. She will be moving soon to a retirement community in Carroll County.

Adjournment: Gina Crook made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Liz Hammond seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on March 14, 2022 at the Centreville Library.

Prepared by Pat Sommers, Secretary