



League of Women Voters of Queen Anne's County **Board Meeting Minutes** October 10, 2022 **Centreville Library**

Attending: Patricia Jamison, Liz Hammond, Barbara Sharkey, Pat Sommers, Mary Campbell, Jinny Guy, Gina Crook

Patricia Jamison called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Prior Minutes: Pat Sommers had distributed the final version of the minutes from the September 12, 2022 Board meeting before the meeting. Liz Hammond moved to approve the minutes and Barbara Sharkey seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara Sharkey presented the Treasurer's Report. LWVQAC has a balance of \$15,495.82. That compares to a balance of \$14,335.98 on October 11, 2021. There were 2 new memberships.

We have not received a bill yet for the Voter's Guide printing (approximately \$750). We have not received the money from the State League's grant for Voter Registration Day. The League will use the funds to pay for the cart (which Liz Hammond brought to the meeting to show the Board), and the cost of printing the Voter's Guide and Guide to Government Officials.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- **<u>Database and Calendar:</u>** Pat Sommers reported that she updated the database to reflect the new members. There are no updates to the calendar at this time.
- **Social Media (Facebook and Webpage):** There was nothing significant to report beyond the fact that Gina has been regularly sending out reminders about the upcoming Candidate Forums on the website, and Barbara Sharkey has put the fliers on the website.

• Revised Voter Registration/Education Events: Patricia Jamison handed out a revised schedule for voter registration events. Corsica River Day was cancelled because of the weather, and the second Voter Education Day at Chesapeake College has also been cancelled. The next two events are Centreville Day (October 22) and Make a Difference Day in Sudlersville on November 5.

Patricia showed the Board the pamphlet put together by Chesapeake College about the importance of voting. The Board discussed the possibility of putting together something like it to hand out at our events.

- Archiving Records: Barbara Sharkey reported that more Board members have been given access to the Google Drive. She also told the Board that the State League is working on instructions for using the Google Drive, as some Board members have no experience with it. Patricia and Barbara will get together to start uploading documents.
- **Vote 411/Voters' Guide:** The Voter's Guides have been printed. The Board discussed places to put copies, such as Symphony Village and the two county Libraries. The Board agreed to keep track of where we put copies so that we don't have to re-invent the wheel for the 2024 election.
- <u>Guide to Government Officials</u>: Liz Hammond has printed additional copies of the Guide to Government Officials, and we want to make sure that we have them available for the upcoming voter registration/information events at Centreville Day and Make a Difference Day.
- **John Lewis Recommendations:** The Board agreed to table this until after the upcoming election.
- <u>Celebrating 20 Years of the LWVQAC:</u> The Board agreed to table this discussion until after the election, and to start with the ideas discussed at the retreat in June.
- Revised Draft of Standing Committees: Patricia Jamison handed out the most current version of the Standing Committees.
- **<u>Draft Operating Procedures:</u>** The Board discussed and reaffirmed how to handle the draft Operating Procedures that already exist. First, as we move forward through the year we will review each of the procedures to make sure they are accurate. At the same time, we will copy them to the new Google Drive so that all Board members will have access to them.
- <u>Changes to the League Application Form:</u> After the last Board meeting, Pat Sommers sent proposed alternative language to the Board for the paragraph that had led to some disagreement. The Board discussed it and made a

couple of minor edits. Liz Hammond moved to approve the new application form with the revised edits, and to send it to the printer. Gina seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Forum Final Dates/Locations/Details: Mary Campbell reported on the final details for the upcoming forums. For the Board of Education forum, which will be held on October 12, all candidates have agreed to participate.

 The forum for County Commissioners is schedule for October 13. Not all candidates are participating only candidates from three of the five districts, for a total of six people.
- **Update on Judge of the Orphans' Court Event:** Mary Campbell reported that because of the delay in putting together the Board of Education forum we could not manage to put together something for the Judges of the Orphans Court (the plan had been to hold the Judge of the Orphans' Court forum before the forum for the Board of Education started.) We have not done one in the past, so this would have been something new.
- <u>US District 1 Congressional Forum:</u> The forum for District 1 of the House of Representatives is scheduled for October 27 at Kent Island High School. Patricia Jamison is going to contact the Kent League to confirm what help LWVQAC is to provide for the event. It will not be recorded by QACTV.
- Annual Meeting/Dinner: The Board had a brief discussion about the Annual Meeting/Dinner to be held in the spring, and we agreed that Prospect Bay worked out very well. Patricia Jamison will talk to Joyce Woodford to see if she has already started planning.

Other:

• <u>Lea Brooks Resignation:</u> Patricia Jamison reported that Lea Brooks has resigned from the Board.

Adjournment: Liz Hammond made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jinny Guy seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 7:53.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> The next meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on November14, 2022 at the Centreville Library.

Prepared by Pat Sommers, Secretary