



Queen Anne's Lace *Daucus carota*



League of Women Voters of Queen Anne's County  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2023  
Centreville Library Conference Room

Attending were Board members: Liz Hammond, Barbara Sharkey, Jinny Guy, Mary Campbell, Anne Cassidy, Doris Pullman, Gina Crook, Joyce Woodford, Pat Sommers, and Patricia Jamison.

President Liz Hammond called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and began by introducing new member Nancy Lynott.

**Approval of October 9, 2023, Minutes:** Barbara Sharkey moved to approve the October 9 minutes as submitted; Joyce Woodford seconded, and all voted in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Barbara Sharkey noted that there were three renewals and that the League had spent \$70.80 on new constitutions in English and Spanish for distribution at local events. The current balance is \$14,761.71. Doris Pullman moved to accept the Treasurer's report for auditing, Gina Crook seconded, and all were in favor. Barbara also described her research into banks with high yield savings accounts. After discussion, Mary Campbell moved and Jinny Guy seconded taking \$13,000 from our current checking account at Truist Bank and depositing it in a business savings account at Pacific Western Bank at a 5.15% interest rate. The motion carried unanimously. Members thanked Barbara for her research into banks with interest bearing accounts.

**Old Business:**

**Vote 411/Voters Guide:** Liz Hammond has set up a meeting in the Centreville Library meeting room on January 18 at 9:30 a.m. for those working on the Vote 411/Voters Guide.

**Guide to Elected Officials:** Jinny Guy has updated the Guide.

**Candidate Forum:** Mary Campbell reported that we are waiting for candidates to begin filing for School Board vacancies in order to determine whether we will need to have a forum this spring. She also said she told the Mid-Shore League that our League was happy to help with the Congressional District 1 Primary Forum.

**Social Media-Facebook (Gina) Website (Barbara):** There was general consensus that

these two platforms are working well.

**Data Base and Calendar:** Board members received updated copies of data bases from Barbara Sharkey and a calendar from Liz Hammond.

**Annual Appeal:** Members thanked Doris Pullman and Anne Cassidy for producing and distributing the Annual Appeal letters. Jinny Guy's successful changing of the letter format several years ago was also acknowledged. Barbara Sharkey noted that we have begun to receive contributions.

**Holiday Meeting:** There will not be a December meeting. Instead the board will have a Holiday Dinner at the Narrow's restaurant at 5:30 p.m. on December 11. Doris Pullman is making the arrangements.

**Voter Registration Events Wrap-up:**

Oct. 28, Centreville Day. This event was a winner. The weather, crowd, placement of our table, interest, and mood were all terrific.

November 4, Make a Difference Day. Despite the weather, the event was a definite success. It was a very worthy and well-organized event. League members want to continue to take part in this event, which is organized by QAC Community Services.

**Archiving Records:** Pat Sommers said that she would have some "core" material on Goggle drive by the January board meeting. She suggested that a small group look at what has been entered to ensure that it looks the way we want it, and then it could be shared with the entire board as part of a training session.

**Annual Meeting:** The plan is to hold the Annual Meeting on May 16 at Prospect Bay Country Club with Joyce Woodward making the arrangements for the dinner. The board was enthusiastic about having the topic of the after dinner talk be *Elections, AI, and Disinformation*. Liz Hammond is going to follow-up with the LWVMD about a speaker.

**Member Nominating Committee:** Liz Hammond will talk to Carolyn Armstrong about contacting board members whose terms are up to determine if they want to serve another term.

**Nation Builder:** Barbara Sharkey reported that there was nothing new to report.

**LWVMD Priorities Survey:** Liz Hammond reported that several board members met at her house to complete the Priorities Survey. Highly rated topics by the group involved Open Government and Health Care.

**New Business:**

**Update on LWVUS Restructuring:** Restructuring will not take place until 2025.

**Newsletter:** The consensus of the board is that the Newsletter is a great addition to our outreach to members and friends. Liz Hammond said she enjoyed doing it, and that adding pictures is important.

**Voter Registration Re-certification:** Liz Hammond said re-certification for registering voters could be arranged by calling the QAC Board of Elections.

**League in Action Mobile App.:** The new League in Action Mobile App, which connects a league to other participating leagues, was discussed. Several members uploaded the Mobile App. to try using it.

**Library Donation:** After discussion, the Board decided not to make an annual monetary contribution to the Friends of the Library but to find other ways to show our appreciation to the Centreville library staff.

**Adjourn:** At 8:10, Barbara Sharkey moved to adjourn the meeting, Joyce Woodford seconded, and all were in favor.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 08, 2024, at the Centreville Library.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Campbell and Patricia Jamison, Co-Secretaries