



League of Women Voters of Queen Anne's County Board Meeting Minutes February, 12, 2024 Centreville Library Conference Room

Attending were Board members Liz Hammond, Jinny Guy, Mary Campbell, Pat Sommers, Carolyn Moorshead, Barbara Sharkey, and Patricia Jamison. LWVQAC member Nancy Lynott also attended the meeting.

President Liz Hammond called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Approval of the January 08, 2024 Minutes: Barbara Sharkey moved to approve the January 08 Minutes as submitted; Jinny Guy seconded, and all voted in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Barbara Sharkey reported that there was one membership renewal, for \$50.00 in income to the Operating Account, and \$43.59 in interest credited to the Savings Account. There were no expenses. Total funds as of 2/12/2024 is \$16,221.96. Barbara mentioned that she has filed the required MD 2024 Annual report due by March 15. She noted that she was preparing the 2024 Budget for the Annual Meeting. There were no questions, and Pat Sommers moved to include the February Treasurer's Report for audit. Carolyn Moorshead seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Vote 411/Voters Guide: Liz Hammond shared an email from Adams Publishing Group (APG) stating the estimated cost of the Voters' Guide for the Primary. There are no QAC specific elections in this year's Primary.

Guide to Elected Officials: Jinny Guy distributed copies of the Guide to Board members to distribute. Thanks to Tucker Moorshead and Earth Data for covering the cost of printing.

Candidate Forum: Mary Campbell noted that Mid-shore, the lead league for Congressional District 1 forums for this election cycle, has set the date for the Primary Forum on April 21 at Chesapeake College. We have not heard from Mid-shore about which candidates have agreed to participate. The QAC League will not hold a Primary Forum as there are no QAC offices on the Primary Ballot. Our league plans to hold a forum in the fall for Board of Education candidates for Districts 2, 3 and 4 seats.

Social Media-Facebook and Website: These two platforms continue to work well.

Data Base and Calendar: Renewed members will be added to the Data Base and LWVMD Advocacy Training date and times will be added to the calendar.

Voter Registration Events Wrap-up: There was discussion about providing support to the NAACP's Freedom Fund Luncheon in Queenstown on April 13, by attending and having a Voter Registration table. Patricia Jamison will talk to Joyce Woodford about the event. The Board is interested in participating, and the deadline for informing the NAACP is March 23. The Board will decide at the March meeting how to support this event, and the event will be added to the calendar.

Archiving Records: Pat Sommers established a time and place for the Archives Committee to meet. The meeting will be held on February 29 at 1:30 at Pat's home. The format of the shared Google drive and training for the Board will be discussed. The training session for Board members about the shared Google drive will be at the next Board meeting. Board members should bring their computers to the March meeting.

Annual Meeting: The menu and cost for the dinner needs to be finalized, so it can be included on the invitations. Patricia Jamison will work with Joyce Woodford on this. Also, the budget and the nominating committee slate are required to be sent to membership a month before the Annual Meeting. Mary Campbell needs a copy of the agenda, the budget, and the slate for the Annual Meeting Workbook that she prepares. Liz will ask Carolyn Armstrong about remaining as chair of the Nominating Committee. Liz will also send a "save the date" to the Democratic and Republican Clubs.

Library Donation: Barbara Sharkey has ordered an assortment of baked goods from the local bakery in Centreville. The cost was \$81.00. Liz and Barbara will arrange the baked goods in a basket and deliver it, along with the Thank You card signed at the meeting by the board, to the Centreville Library staff on Thursday, February 15.

Winter Workshop: Barbara Sharkey and Liz Hammond attended by Zoom the LWVMD Winter Workshop. Of interest was the session on AI and Misinformation led by Jared DeMarinis, State Administrator of Elections. Also of interest was the workshop on Growing Your League.

New Business:

LWVUS National Conference: Will be held June 27-30 in Washington DC. The cost is \$125.00.

Other:

Local League Presidents' Meeting: Liz Hammond attended the LL President's Zoom Meeting on Saturday, February 10, 2024. She shared information from the meeting about pending legislation in the MD assembly, which is an amendment to the State Constitution to give counties that so choose the right to allow 16 year-olds to vote for members of their Boards Of Education. She also mentioned the LWV transformation and proposed budget implications.

Adjourn: At 7:45, Jinny Guy moved to adjourn the meeting, Carolyn Moorshead seconded, and all were in favor.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2024, at the Centreville Library.

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