



Queen Anne's Lace *Daucus carota*



League of Women Voters of Queen Anne's County  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2025, 6:30 p.m.  
Centreville, Library

Attending were Board members: Liz Hammond, Barbara Sharkey, Patricia Jamison, Mary Campbell, Nancy Lynott, and Jinny Guy. Attending by Zoom were board members Pat Sommers and Doris Pullman as well as Amanda SabbaRao, the LWVMD Liaison to LWVQAC from LWVAA.

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

**Approval of the January 13, 2025 Minutes:** Jinny Guy moved to approve the minutes as submitted, Barbara Sharkey seconded, and all were in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Barbara Sharkey noted that we had two membership fees and two more annual appeal donations, totaling \$188.00. Expenses for Voter Registration materials, the Voters' Guide and the LWVMD Winter Workshop totaled \$350.50. The closing balance in the Operating Account was \$2,894.54. The balance in the Savings Account was \$13,622.49, making the sum of funds \$16,517.03. The LWVQAC currently has 54 members. Patricia Jamison moved to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit, Nancy Lynott seconded, and all were in favor.

#### **Old Business:**

**Restructuring /Transformation:** Amanda SubbaRao said that the LWVUS is still fixing Chapter Spot and other transfer/formatting issues. Barbara Sharkey passed out a copy of the new membership form which has a QR Code on it, enabling a member to go directly to the membership link. Amanda SabbaRao will create a new membership button on the league website so that membership information can be easily reached. Members need to update profiles when the LWVUS notifies members. Liz Hammond mentioned that the updated version of the LWVQAC By-Laws will be circulated to the board so that they can be reviewed and approved by the board at the March meeting.

**Annual Meeting and Dinner:** Liz Hammond provided updates on the Annual Meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, May 6; the venue is Prospect Bay Country Club; and the cost charged by Prospect Bay is \$59.69. The speaker will be Mark SubbaRao, Amanda SubbaRao's husband who will speak on how climate change affects the Eastern Shore. Liz Hammond will verify the upcoming slate for the annual meeting.

**Update on LWVMD:** Patricia Jamison mentioned that a LWVMD Sub-Committee has been formed to plan for getting input from local leagues about their thoughts about support from the

state league. Also, the state nominating committee will meet again to further discuss and finalize the slate for the state convention/annual meeting

**New Business:**

**Surveys (Annual LMVUS and LMVMD) Program Planning:** Jinny Guy coordinated with Liz Hammond to complete the surveys and they were returned. However, Liz is receiving a message that they have not been submitted. Jinny indicated that she had received a confirmation. Jinny and Liz Hammond will investigate the problem.

**LWVMD Summer Conference:** Liz Hammond, Barbara Sharkey and Patricia Jamison visited the Hyatt Hotel on Kent Island and the Chesapeake Beach Club in Stevensville as possible sites for the state convention in June. Liz Hammond put together a spreadsheet of pertinent information and emailed it to Linda Kohn and Nikki Tyree who will make the final decision regarding convention location and dates.

**Other:**

**Membership Get Together:** A gathering of members for a wine and cheese social was suggested by Barbara Sharkey and discussed by the board. It will be free and members will be encouraged to bring a friend. It was well received and would be an opportunity to tell others about the LWVQAC and to build membership. Patricia Jamison offered her home for the event and a tentative date of March 9<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 was agreed on. Liz Hammond, Barbara Sharkey and Patricia will meet to discuss this further to finalize plans.

**Budget for 2025-26:** It was noted that we need to prepare a budget for 2025-26 for approval at the March Board meeting so we can circulate it to the membership a month in advance of our Annual Meeting. Barbara Sharkey, Nancy Lynott, and Mary Campbell will serve as the Budget Committee.

**Announcements: None**

**Adjourn:** At 7:59 p.m. Jinny Guy moved to adjourn, Patricia Sommers seconded, and all were in favor.

**Next Meeting:** The next regular meeting of the board is on March 10, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the Centreville Library.

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