

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MARION AND POLK COUNTIES

BOARD MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 7, 2020

ZOOM Meeting, 2:00 PM, Hosted by Kathleen West

Present: Diana Bodtker, Cindy Burgess, Alice LaViolette, Elsa Struble, Amy Vandergrift, Kathleen West, Jean Sherbeck

1. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA. None offered.
2. MINUTES of November of November 9, 2020 Board meeting. Approved by all, with minor corrections previously mentioned.
3. TREASURER'S REPORT. Elsa sent an e-mail to each Board member detailing the routine activity since September 30. The current checking account balance is \$5,472, and total assets are \$12,705.
4. REVIEW OF LAST JANUARY'S LWVMPC PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING. Jean listed the major points. There were no recommendations for a new study but several topics of interest were mentioned. (A copy of minutes will be attached in our records notebook.)
5. DECEMBER 9 HOLIDAY/UNIT MEETING. 10:00 AM, ZOOM, hosted by Kathleen. Diana will guide the meeting. Social time first, then video. Kathleen will check with Sharon Kimmel on how to show video. Thank you all!
6. SUGGESTION FOR EVERY MEMBER BOOK READING AND DISCUSSION. The group thought the book, "Becoming a Democracy", by Kristin Eberhard would be a relevant book to read at this time. March 17 Unit Meeting, 6 – 8 PM. Diana will look into ordering books – will try Book Bin. In January she will try to get commitments for people wanting copies.
7. JANUARY 13, 2021 PROGRAM, 6 – 8, ZOOM. OBSERVATION CORPS FORMATION. An interest group comprised of Alice, Amy, Jean, and maybe Deanie (and anyone else interested) will come up with some specific suggestions to bring to members, of which governmental bodies to observe, report form, how to put in MPC records/website. Ask for feedback. Sign up members who would like to be observers.

9. We went to on to discuss other potential plans for Jan. – April:

January 27, Annual Program Planning Meeting, 6 – 8 PM. Cindy suggested looking at PMC positions, to see which may need to be updated, specifically wording regarding racial equality and inclusion. Amy agreed with this suggestion. Could also check state and national positions. This is the year to make suggestions for national program. Diana will send surveys to members to spur thinking of issues.

February 10, 2021 unit meeting, 6 – 8 PM. Suggest recap of homelessness issues and local developments. Cindy suggested that Vanessa Nordyke, Salem City Council, would be a good speaker. Cindy will contact her to see if she could meet with us.

March 17, 2021. 6 – 8 PM. Book discussion. See above.

April 14 or 22 ? Not decided. Assume that the Agricultural Study, Use of chemicals, etc., and Consensus will be ready then. Diana agreed to lead the discussion.

May date. LWVMPC Annual Meeting. Will need nominations for officers, budget, proposed program, and other. Bylaws?

8. ACTION SUGGESTION. Deanie suggested commenting on the permanent statute proposed for Campaign Advertising Disclosures. Kathleen will check with Deanie to see if she can find out if state Leaguers will be commenting on this.

10. COMMENTS – Kathleen. Kathleen reported that the Salem City Club is planning a program on the Salem water supply, which ties in with the question that has come up concerning the effect of the wildfires, debris, etc. on the Salem water supply.

11. OTHER. Amy will try to contact new members about Holiday meeting... Alice sent a report of views on the website from November 7 to various topics. Will be in records notebook.

Meeting adjourned 3:52 PM

Next Board meeting: January 11, 2021

Recap: January 11, 2021 LWVMPC Board

January 13, 2021	Observer Corps Unit	6:00 PM
January 19	LWVOR Legislative Process day	
January 27	LWVMPC Program Planning	6:00 PM
February 8	LWVMPC Board	
February 10	Unit – Homeless Issues	6:00 PM

Submitted by Jean Sherbeck, Secretary