

## Board Minutes

### League of Women Voters of Marion and Polk Counties

December 12, 2022, 3 :00 – 5:00 PM, Zoom hosted by LWVOR

Present: Deanie Anderson, Cindy Burgess, Alice LaViolette, Barbara Sellers-Young, Jean Sherbeck, Elsa Struble, Amy Vandergrift

1. Minutes of the November 21, 2022 Board meeting were accepted.
2. Elsa Struble reported that she would pay 2 quarters of LWVOR PMP dues, and also the first quarter LWVUS PMP dues. She noted that student members were not counted in the number of members for PMP dues calculations.
3. Voter Service Team leaders are Deanie Anderson, Kathleen West, and Janet Adkins. Deanie reported that our members interviewing local legislators is on hold until she hears from the state board about their plan to interview legislators, and the questions to be asked. an alternative plan would be for our local League to meet with our local Marion and Polk representatives to introduce ourselves and learn their priorities.
4. The Membership Team now has three members: Amy Vandergrift, Marta White, and Nancy Thompson.
5. Alice La Violette reported that Kathy Patterson has volunteered to observe the Marion County Soil and Water Commission.
6. Cindy Burgess, Publicity, reviews LWVUS for interesting items, adds to her list of local organizations to inform of LWVMPC meetings. She stated that her interpretation of “public relations” involves League member(s) participating in local community organization meetings.
7. LWVMPC Insurance for meetings. Barbara has been collecting information about insurance coverage for our meetings in different venues. Questions

to ask; does size of group matter, are Board officers included, will the new LWWUS reorganization include insurance? Barbara will talk with Becky Gladstone to get her opinions. Currently Board members could check with their own liability or umbrella policies to see what is covered.

8. January Program Planning Meeting. The desire of the Board is to have a live meeting. The group decided to find another venue, after Deanie described the insurance coverage her church requires of room rentals now. the Salem Library Anderson Room A is available on Saturday, January 28, and a reservation is now made, for 10 AM to 1 PM.

Some suggested discussion questions could include What is the role of our local League? What suggested topics should we focus on? What does League do best? How do you fit in?

One way to organize the meeting would be to divide up into small discussion groups by topic: Advocacy, Voter Service and Education, Social Policies, Youth Outreach, Environment/Sustainability Systems, Climate Justice, as examples.

9. Meeting adjourned 5:00 PM

Next Board Meeting: January 9, 2023

Submitted by Jean Sherbeck, Secretary