

League of Women Voters of Marion and Polk Counties

January 9, 2023 Board Meeting, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Zoom, hosted by LWVOR

Minutes

Present: Deanie Anderson, Tomika Dew, Alice LaViolette, Barbara Sellers Young, Jean Sherbeck, Elsa Struble, Amy Vandergrift, Kathleen West

1. Review of Minutes. Minutes were approved as presented.
2. Planning for January 28th Program Planning Meeting. The Board members decided to use recyclable dishes and napkins for snacks at the meeting, and request that attendees bring their own coffee mugs. Members volunteered to bring various snacks.

Discussion followed with Deanie and Barbara for planning the meeting and timing. The members, after introductions, will break into one of four general category groups to see where the most interest lies in each area.

Leaders of the groups will be:

Social Policy – Alice, Cindy, Jean

Climate/Environment – Amy, Kathleen, Elsa

Communications - Deanie, Barbara, Tomika (prior to mtg.)

Voter Education – Janet Adkins (?), Deanie

After the small groups reports are reported, the whole group will discuss the results. Barbara has set up the timing of the agenda of the meeting.

3. February 14, LWV 103rd birthday. National Day of Action. The group decided that we will be very busy in February with our own LWVMPC legislator interviews, so will not especially celebrate that day. There will be a program on Facebook that members could watch.
4. Meetings with Marion/Polk area OR

5. legislative members. Deanie is collecting names and will be in contact with volunteers.
6. May primary election and Vote411. Local elections. Janet will cover local school districts, but not water/soil districts capitol Manor – possibility of school board candidates meeting?
7. Local nominating committee. Will follow up next meeting. Sally offered to lead. Everyone be thinking of good candidates, or let Sally know if you are willing to serve again. Barbara stated that she would like to have a vice-president next year (after offering to serve as president for one more year!!)
8. Alice acquired ownership of the Word Press account from Kathleen Mason, so that MPC can pay directly from our PayPal account. A debit card would be efficient.
A motion was made and seconded for the LWVMPC chapter to investigate on-line banking and to order a debit card. The motion passed unanimously. Deanie made the motion and Alice seconded the motion.
9. Barbara is going to pursue the option of LWVMPC becoming a 501 3C organization; it would benefit dues paying members and outside contributors. She will also look into raising our dues a moderate amount.
10. Amy will send an updated list of members to Board members, so that we may call members to remind them of the Program Planning meeting. Please call by January 25th.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 PM

Submitted by Jean Sherbeck, Secretary