

**League of Women Voters of Winchester
Steering Committee Minutes
10 Hinds Road, Winchester MA
January 14, 2020**

In Attendance: Jeanette Kolodziej, Lynne Brodsky, Robin Wolf, Meredith Mason-Crowley, Jean Herbert, Kim Foley, Sue Carney. The meeting took place at the home of Meredith Crowley, who recorded the minutes. The meeting was facilitated by Jeanette Kolodziej.

Member Check-in: Members shared various family and friend updates occurring over the holiday.

Minutes: Minutes from the December 9, 2019, were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Robin reported current balance and collections of gifts in December and memberships paid. Money for Moveable Feast was paid however addition costs will be submitted to Robin.

Membership update: There are 25 unpaid memberships. January 31, 2020 is last date for reporting membership. Jean may be making calls to remind them of the last day for sending dues. Two life members passed away this year.

Website: Robin will look into Pages.Donately.com, Venmo, or Pay Pal for consideration to have for payments on the WLWV website. Using these payment services may create easier access to online payments for dues.

Communications update: Susan Woodward set a meeting at the Winchester Public Library 1/15/20 to discuss improving social media outreach and our website. Lynne Brodsky, Susan Woodward, Lauren Costello, Amanda Littell will meet to discuss ways to update our social media and twitter accounts.

Lynne is joining Patty Shepherd Sunday January 19, 2020 at 4:00pm for the MAWOCC event on Facebook Live.

Upcoming Events

Voter Registration update: February 5th at Winchester High School, 9:00 am. The last day to register is February 12th. Jeanette sent out an email requesting assistance and eight people volunteered for the event at WHS. Jeanette is preparing information on the town election to be a reference for students eligible to vote this spring. Vote 411 provides useful information on upcoming elections. Kim is looking into a possible Voter Register event at Woburn High School.

Candidate Forum March 15, 2020: Candidate names are emerging for the upcoming spring election. We will know by February 11. Lynne has secured a LWV moderator for the debate among the candidates running for the three main boards. If part of the election isn't competitive Lynne is thinking of a presentation on the different town committees' residents can volunteer to serve on. She will contact Jenks to sign contact and confirm date with moderator. In addition, Lynne is looking into reverse 911 for notifying people to vote in the upcoming election. She will also contact the middle and high school PTO

contacts and the Superintendent of Schools office to list election information on the school elementary PTO newsletters.

Town Election on 3/31: Jeanette will take the banner to Fast Signs and have a patch made. She will pick up the banner from Lynne first week in February.

Fundraising Event April 4th update: The contract with Jimmy Tingle is all signed. The event is being held at the Jenks Center. Refreshments will be served. The committee is working on securing a bar tender. The committee members would like to speak at the open meeting on March 10, before the April event.

Spring Read: Jeanette is still working on suggestions for books to share. The So Just, Social Justice Club at WHS is still considering books. She will keep us up to date when a book has been selected.

State League Events: There are many events advertised online. We should all keep watching for possible events to attend.

Town Common Task Force: There have been five meetings on how to promote unity and inclusion in the town. Tom Howley is part of this effort. Past subjects include youth empowerment. Gloria Legvold is on the task force, and is asking for possible LWVW member to join the task force. We currently have LWVW members on the task force. The Task Force welcomes any additional league members.

New Business

Jean and Nancy are working on getting the contract signed for March 8, 2020, "We Did for You," at McCall Auditorium at 2:00 PM. They are considering all aspects of advertising the event to maximize the community attendance.

The meeting was adjourned 8:58 PM.