

102nd ANNUAL MEETING PACKET

June 6th, 2022

Hallie Q. Brown Community Center

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MEETING AGENDA

Social Time 6:00-6:30

Members are invited to arrive at 6:00 pm and eat, socialize with other members and the board of directors.

Guest Speaker 6:30-7:00pm

Mindy Greiling

Business Meeting Agenda

	Lead by:	Schedule:
Welcome to Members & Call to Order Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes	Heidi Kloempken, Co-President	7:00 pm
Special Recognition:		
Sunrise Award Presentation	Dan Krivit, 2021 Recipient	7:05 pm
Faye Lyksett Award Presentation	Amy Perna, Co-President	7:10 pm
Special Recognition	Cheryl Bailey, Program	7:15 pm
Co-Presidents' Comments	Amy Perna, Co-President	7:20pm
Election of Directors and Officers	Amy Mino, past President	7:25 pm
Thank you to retiring board members	Heidi Kloempken, Co-President &	7:30 pm
 Financial Report on the Current Year Presentation: Proposed FY 2023 Budget Call for Vote on the FY 2023 Budget 	Nichole Fairbanks, Treasurer et	7:35 pm
Board/Membership Discussion	Amy Perna, Co-President	7:45 pm
Other Business & Adjournment	Amy Perna, Co-President	8:00 pm

2020-2021 LWVSP BOARD LEADERSHIP

We would like to thank the Board of Directors for their service during 2021-22:

- Amy Perna, Co-President
- Heidi Kloempken, Co-President
- Hayden Kilkenny, Vice President/Voter Service
- Nichole Fairbanks, Treasurer
- Helen Losleben, Secretary
- Nona Beining, Membership
- Cheryl Bailey, Program & Membership
- Claudia Dieter, Program
- Lia Pak, Youth Vote

- Grace Reardon, Youth Vote
- Joann Ellis, Program
- Gail Lundeen Brand, Program
- Beatrice Owen, Program
- Jacqueline Kelly, Voter Service & Membership
- Marion McCarthy, Phone Service
- Bridget Adams, Communications & Program

We'd also like to thank our Off-Board Members for their service during 2021-2022:

- Diane Hellekson, *The Voter* Editor
- Amy Mino, Development and Communications
- Nick Harper, Webmaster

SUNRISE AWARD

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The Sunrise Award, first presented in 1987, is given at the Annual Meeting to a Leaguer who has become a member within the past three years and has shown exceptional service and commitment to LWVSP. Nominees are requested from the membership, and a committee consisting of last year's recipient and two Board members select the recipient for the current year.

1987 1988	Mary Vik Ester Lewis Fesler	2005 2006	Jaclyn Schroeder Emily Reilly
1989	Mary Shortall	2007	Kate Blessing
1990	Teri Pardo	2008	Karissa Huntington
1991	Lorraine Lauren	2009	Tenzin Dolkar
1992	Gayle Crampton	2011	Laura Schwartz
1993	Ellen Kluz	2012	Lucy Morgan
1994	Ellen Weiss	2013	Hally Turner
1995	Betsy Gardner	2014	Sarah Small
1996	VanAsa Wanless	2015	Nicole Mickelson
1997	Jennifer Ridgeway	2016	Hayden Kilkenny
1998	Colleen Hartmon-Bollom	2017	Nick Harper
1999	Amy Mino	2018	Erin Heisler-Wagner
2000	Jessica Crary	2019	Vicki Barnes
2001	Mary Voight	2020	Amy Perna
2002	Marisa Geisler	2021	Dan Krivit
2003	Carol Mollner	2022	
2004	Vicki Lofquist		

FAYE LYKSETT AWARD

The Faye Lyksett Award, first given posthumously in 1959, is presented at the LWVSP Annual Meeting to a member who has demonstrated outstanding service to the League and the community for which she has not received public recognition. The award was created to recognize a member who, like Faye Lyksett, has demonstrated devoted service, performance excellence and enthusiasm about the League for many years. This recognition is not meant to be a "Leaguer of the Year" award, but it is given to a member who embodies Faye Lyksett's qualities.

Among the criteria, considered by the Committee of past Faye Lyksett recipients, are: service to the League program, purpose, organization and membership, length of service, diversification of activity, responsiveness to assist where needed, and public relations within the community.

1960	Audrey Cochrane	1993	Sara Pillow
1961	Elaine Springsted	1994	Ann Copeland
1962	Janet Giefer	1995	Diane Power
1963	Francis Boyden	1996	Mary Jo Leier
1964	Ruby Hunt	1997	Mary Vik
1965	Beverly Vavoulis	1998	Sally Stoppel
1966	Betty Vachon	1999	Elaine Saline
1967	Greta Michaels	2000	Phyllis Hollihan
1968	Agnes Jefferson	2001	Lois Yellowthunder
1969	Lorraine Wood	2002	Marion Watson
1970	Norma Finnegan	2003	Vicki Gee-Treft
1971	Mertyce Mayne	2004	Kathy Stack
1972	Mary Lou Grahek	2005	Kristine Madson
1973	Eleanor Weber	2006	Mary Voight
1974	Jan Dvorak	2007	Amy Mino
1975	Louise Marvin	2008	Roger Anderson
1976	Marylyn Deneen	2009	Jaclyn Schroeder
1977	Marilyn Lundberg	2011	Tenzin Dolkar
1978	Marlene Krona	2012	Colleen Hartmon-Bollom
1979	Verna Becker, Peggy Lynch	2013	Bonnie Benson
1980	Sally Patterson	2014	Judy Screaton
1981	Jean Thomas	2015	Marge Anderson
1982	Deborah Nelson	2018	Marion McCarthy
1983	Dianne Brooke	2019	Hayden Kilkenny
1984	Beverly McKinnell	2020	Claudia Dieter
1985	Dru Osterud	2021	Nick Harper
1986	Sigrid Johnson	2022	
1987	Roberta Megard		
1988	Joan Newmark		
1989	Barbara Burleigh		
1990	Carol Osip		
1991	Joanne Englund		
1992	Trudy Dunham		

CO-PRESIDENTS' REPORT

Dear Members,

It has truly been an honor to serve as your co-presidents over this last year with our energetic and committed board of directors and volunteers. We have been incredibly lucky to have wonderful people step into leadership roles. It has been rewarding to see committees evolve and expand their efforts in accomplishing our core mission of voter outreach and engagement.

One of the more visible ways we are changing this year is that we are transitioning away from writing our own voter guides and will be fully using Vote411.org. We are excited about this resource because it will be a one stop shop for voters as well as online voter guide and the whole site is translated in Spanish with the click of button! We will be launching that for St. Paul later in June.

Earlier this year we voted to update our by-laws (again) and our articles of incorporation. We recently received the drafts back from our attorney and once our board has had the chance to review them and the LWVMN board approves, we will send along an action item for an e-vote of the membership. Look for that action item to come out in late August.

Looking ahead, Heidi and I would like to announce that, if elected, FY 23 will be our last year serving as your co-presidents. It has been a rewarding and fun two years and we look forward the coming year. If you are interested in learning more about the position or to be more involved with the board, reach out anytime.

Thank you to the membership for your continued financial support, we wouldn't be able to do this work without you!

Sincerely,

Heidi Kloempken and Amy Perna Co-Presidents, nominated 2022-2023

VOTER SERVICE REPORT

Submitted by Joann Ellis, Voter Service Chair & Hayden Kilkenny, Candidate Forum Coordinator

Voter Service held 2 candidate forums in 2021, registered 250 people and put a voter guide (we also translated it into Spanish and Hmong) in partnership with Frogtown/Midway/Como Monitor with a circulation of over 25,000! We were the only organization that produced a mayoral forum and a school board forum. It was the only time all of the candidates were together in one room, advocating for their platforms. They let us know how much they appreciated our efforts.

For the mayoral forum we partnered with Saint Paul Neighborhood Network, and allowed a small group of 20 people to attend. The forum was streamed live on SPNN and YouTube, with over 8,000 views. Some comments received were, "Thank you ladies for hosting this! Job well done." and "Bravo. The host was very good."

During the Saint Paul Public School Board forum, we again partnered with SPNN and admitted a small group of 20 audience members. The forum was live streamed on SPNN and YouTube with a viewership of 1,430. A comment from that forum was, "Thank you so much for hosting the forum and posting on You Tube!" Having the forums live streamed has allowed a great deal of accessibility to people who might not otherwise be able to make it in person. We are so grateful for our continued partnership with SPNN in helping to make this possible.

Last fall St. Paul residents approved a rental stabilization ordinance. The League tried to put a debate together when it was still a ballot measure. After months of trying to get both sides to come together, we had to cancel it. It was a heated issue and we were disappointed and frustrated that couldn't present this program to the people of St. Paul.

Voter service attended 9 community events, where they registered over 250 people to vote, and helped to educate many more. Voter Service is going forward this fall with more of an emphasis on voter education rather than voter registration. Most people we come across are already registered or cannot register due to legal reasons or immigration status. Registration will always be offered but there is a real need for education around the election process and that is what we will be focusing on this coming year.

YOUTH VOTE ACTIVITIES REPORT

Submitted by Grace Reardon & Lia Pak, Youth Vote Team Coordinators

Since our 2021 annual meeting, the LWVSP Youth Vote Committee (YVC) facilitated 2 'semesters' of the paid Student Leader program. In the fall, we had 7 paid Student Leaders representing 4 high schools. Student leaders focused their outreach on voter education and registration for the fall St. Paul elections. YVC liaisons worked with students through a mix of in person and virtual meetings to create projects that were meaningful and interesting to them while promoting education in line with LWVSP goals. While COVID restrictions in schools have loosened, student leaders continued to prefer a mix of school announcements and class visits over large-scale registration events. In November, the YVC worked with the Program Committee to host a virtual program showcasing our student leader program's history and work in the fall. Speakers included former YVC chair Dan Krivit, current co-chair Lia Pak, and Como student leader PaNra Lee. The St. Paul Monitor also published an article about the November program.

In the spring, five of the student leaders returned to do another round of voter education outreach in their schools. Throughout May, students created and disseminated information specifically to target newly eligible voters and talk with their peers about voting in college. As in past years, for each semester of participation Student Leaders received a \$100 stipend.

For the upcoming fall, the Youth Vote Committee hopes to hire a college intern to help run the student leader program. If you know anyone who may be interested, please contact YVC co-chairs Grace Reardon and Lia Pak at youthvote.lwvsp@gmail.com.

We have been able to continue paying Student Leaders, Fellows, and Teach Leaders through collaboration with the League of Women Voters Education Fund, and Ramsey County Elections.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted by Beatrice Owen, Program Committee Chair

Program Committee Report June, 2021 to May, 2022

The Program Committee continues to provide online programming. This format was set up the previous year and allows for success in accessibility, timing, and consistency for our members as well as the public. Each presentation is recorded and then made available on our YouTube channel for those unable to attend.

We continue to partner with SCCTV and SPPN so that the programs are made available on community cable television. We also have other leagues that sponsor our events and share links and access of our programming to their Leagues. These include Roseville and White Bear Lake.

Members of the committee are amazing and continue to expand their skillset – technology, presenting, writing, and more. Anyone wanting to join a group of forward-thinking, engaged, smart Leaguers, this is the committee, and we'd welcome you!

Engagement is key. We spent June to November showing how members of our community can be engaged in their government. The June presentation of Who Gets to Vote started the dialogue with our community. Continuing the discussion, we moved the different ways that people literally vote. We created a three-part series on accessibility to the polls. This series include physical, age, language, cultural, youth, and general issues with getting to vote. Many stereotypes were addressed and demolished by the presenters.

In 2022 the committee decided to hold "Ripped from the Headlines" presentations on very hot but also interesting topics: ERA, Redistricting, End of Life Options, Firearms, Abortion. These are all topics of interest with a lot of misinformation. Presentations included facts, avenues for change, and resources.

Here are the details of the programs.

June, 2021

Who Gets to Vote

Professor David Schultz, Hamline University Tammy Patrick, Senior Advisor on Elections, Democracy Fund 49 attendees

Three-Part Series Equity & Accessibility in Voting:

August, 2021

Physical Barriers to the Polls

Marion McCarthy, LWV Past President, Detroit Nikki Villavicencio, Councilmember, City of Maplewood 32 attendees

September, 2021

Language & Cultural Barriers to the Polls

Hta Thi Vu Moo, Civic Engagement Coordinator, Karen Organization of Minnesota MN State Representative Kaohly Her Simone Frierson, Voter Outreach Director at Secretary of State's Office 36 attendees

October, 2021

Young Voters Barriers to the Polls

Professor Paul Goren, University of MN Grace Reardon, Macalester Grad, LWVSP Board Member, Youth Vote Committee Co-chair Jordan Hartman, STEM student 41 attendees

November, 2021

Youth Vote Student Leader Voter Registration and Voter Education Projects

Dan Krivit, Former LWVSP Youth Vote Chair Lia Pak, LWVSP Youth Vote Co-Chair Pa Nra Lee, LWVSP Student Leader, Como Park High School Fantastic presentation about the youth projects.

January, 2022

What is the ERA and Why Does it Matter?

Suzann Willhite, ERA MN President
Can the ERA be ratified and made law?
27 attendees

February, 2022

Minnesota Redistricting Update: What's Done and What's Left to Do

Paul Huffman, LWVMN Redistricting Coordinator 25 attendees

March, 2022

Expanding End-of-Life Options in Minnesota

Rebecca Thoman, MD

What does it mean to expand options for end-of-life and why would we? Dr. Thoman's presentation clarified the issue and shared information from the medical arena.

April, 2022

46 attendees

Looking Beyond the Headlines of Firearms Violence

Martha Micks

A review of the LWVMN study and information about firearms violence. Informative and thought-provoking.

27 attendees

May, 2022

Abortion: Let's Clear the Air

LWV BOOK CLUB REPORT

Morning Book Club, submitted by Mary Palmer, Morning Book Club Coordinator

The morning book club meets every August to choose books for the coming season that begins in September and ends in June of the following year. All members are encouraged to offer their book recommendations and we vote on what books we will read.

Our group established that we would choose books related to the League's mission, current events and/or social issues. We read non-fiction generally but are open to appropriate fictional books if they have significant value. We also leave two or three months at the end of the season for books related to issues that may come up later in the season.

This 2021-2022 season we discussed books related to xenophobia, life in North Korea, The history of voting rights in Minnesota, inclusive capitalism, big business, politics, the contributions of federal government agency staff, climate change, foreign policy, slavery and equality. Examples of the authors were Erika Lee, Joan Growe, Hyeonseo Lee, Michael Waldman, Hubert Joly, Sir David Attenborough, Fiona Hill and Michael Lewis.

We are experimenting with a hybrid approach to our meetings. Some of us get together at the Highland Park Library and we also use a laptop to connect with others via Zoom. Our meetings end with ideas of what we can do as individuals and as an organization to address the issues we just discussed.

Evening Book Club, submitted by Heidi Kloempken, Evening Book Club Coordinator & Co-president

For 2021-2022 the LWVSP Evening Book Club decided that based on the book suggestions, DEI work the board had been discussing, and LWV mission and programs, most of our books would focus on Native American history, culture, and current events. We decided to alternate months of that topic and fill in the others with other non-fiction books. This year we read (our favorites are starred, though we recommend all):

- Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer
- We Had a Little Real Estate Problem by Kliph Nesteroff,
- *Spirit Car by Diane Wilson, and our first fiction book,
- *The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson (which recently won a Minnesota Book Award).
- *Sprarked edited by Walter R. Jacobs, Wendy Thompson Taiwo, and Amy August. That book featured essays in response to the murder of George Floyd and some essayists identify as Native.
- *A Knock at Midnight by Brittany Barnett
- *Where the Water Goes by David Owen.

We will meet in June and July to discuss Caste by Isabel Wilkerson (June 13) and A Year in the Wilderness by Amy and Dave Freeman (July 11). We will pick a new theme and books at our August meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Diane Hellekson Editor of The Voter, has done a fantastic job portraying our work and communicating with our members and the public in a professional and engaging way. She welcomes stories and input from members, too so reach out if you have an idea or a story to share. We are so grateful that she chose to contribute her time and talents to our League. Thank you, Diane!

The website and our Mail Chimp account remain major communication vehicles for members and interested public. We also continue to utilize Facebook, Twitter and the new Instagram account. Please follow us!

Instagram: @lwvstpaul

Twitter: @LWVStPaul

Facebook: @LWVSP

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Submitted by Nona Beining, Membership Chair

Membership Committee Report 2021-22

As of May 15, 2022, active members of LWVSP totaled 138. Many of our members volunteer for voter service activities -- registering voters, helping with candidate forums, and helping people find their voice through their vote. Many others work on education activities in order to provide information on important topics on our ballots. The Program committee works hard to help bring quality information to our membership. We rely on you, our members, to attend and learn from those education opportunities, then share what you've learned to empower other voters. Still others members help out with Youth Vote activities to engage the next generation of civic-minded leaders.

We on the Membership Committee don't underestimate the power of simply gathering together. This League year we have continued to err on the side of safety by hosting our Fall New Membership meeting online. In November 2021 we gathered several new members together via Zoom to discuss our League's operations and build a sense of fellowship. We also distributed New Member gifts for those who joined in the last half of 2021. Those gifts were largely subsidized by the Morning and Evening Book clubs and included the book *Turnout*, by Joan Growe.

A bright spot in the dark of winter in a long pandemic was the Annual December Luncheon held at the Minnesota History Center. Our guest speaker was Kate Roberts, (Senior Exhibit Developer), with an assist from our own co-president Heidi Kloempken. Kate led an informational discussion that explained the Extraordinary Women Exhibit at the Minnesota History Center. We enjoyed lunch catered by Cecil's Deli on Cleveland Ave in St. Paul. Afterwards, we went through the visually impactful and highly engaging exhibit in the Center. New friends were made as we gathered, talked, and posed for a group picture.

Other events we have planned are the Spring New Member Meetup, this time in person at the Summit Brewing Ratskeller - outdoors, we hope - on May 15 at 3pm. This event will be purely social and we've invited Board members to attend to chat up our new members and get them excited as we head into summer.

When a member achieves 50 years of service to the League, we grant them Lifetime Member status. These members have contributed to years of our success and we owe them a debt of gratitude. While a 'thank you for your service' can be powerful, we also grant free membership in the League for life. We are fortunate and thankful to have 16! Thank you, Lifetime Members!

We hope to continue safely gathering and engaging our membership. We encourage you to attend a Membership meeting and find ways to help the club grow and thrive. We could use your help planning a summer party!

Stay tuned to The Voter newsletter and our website lwvsp.org for more events to come. The Membership Committee for this League year was Nona Beining, chair, Amy Perna, Cheryl Bailey, Jacqueline Kelly.

DEI UPDATE

Submitted by Heidi Kloempken and Amy Perna, Co-Presidents

In an effort to live into our DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) statement, which is also part of our bylaws, we now have a dedicated space for this work with the DEI subcommittee. Efforts will be led by Donna Addkison. Reach out to her if you would like to be a part of the conversation.

As part of this work, we would like learn more about the history of the League of Women Votes St. Paul. Especially with our early history as it relates to equity. If anyone is interested in looking through our records and archives at the Minnesota History Center library, please let Heidi Kloempken (heidi.kloempken@gmail.com) about your interest.

LWV DEI Statement

"LWV is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in principle and in practice. DEI is central to the organization's current and future success in engaging all individuals, households, communities, and policy makers in creating a more perfect democracy."

CMAL UPDATE

Submitted by Joann Ellis, CMAL board member and Voter Service Chair

CMAL – Council of Metro Area Leagues – has been busy the past 2 years! CMAL is made up of representatives from all the Leagues across the Twin Cities metro area. Joann Ellis is the St. Paul's representative on CMAL. Here is a list of our activities and accomplishments for 2021-2022:

- 1) Published 3 newsletters with various articles about what CMAL is doing, what is happening with LWVMN and what is happening at the local levels. There was an article in one newsletter about the LWVSP Youth Vote committee and what they were doing.
- 2) Held 3 virtual programs during this time also. One program was on "Protecting the Metro Water Supply; another program was on our County Government Study which was hosed by Mindy Greilling; and the third program was on "Livable Communities Grant Program with the Met Council".

- 3) CMAL co-sponsored with the LWVMN Climate Change Task Force the program "Twin Cities Is Bulging with Trash!"
- 4) Conducted a 2-year study on County Government for 7 of the Metro area counties. Through hours of searching on county websites and interviewing county officials, a document was put together showing the commonalties and differences between the 7 counties. CMAL also put together a position document with recommendations of change for a more positive experience for residents at the county government level. This position paper will be sent to all 7 counties.

If you have any questions or ideas to share with CMAL. Please contact Joann Ellis.

LWV FINANCIAL REPORT

Submitted by Nichole Fairbanks, Treasurer

League of Women Voters St. Paul

Profit and Loss July 2021 - April 2022

	TOTAL	
	JUL 2021 - APR 2022	JUL 2020 - APR 2021 (PY)
Income		-
Donations	9,729.56	11,099.09
Grants	8,000.00	8,175.00
Interest Earned	1.20	1.06
Membership Dues Income	7,305.00	9,120.00
Registrations	1,030.00	460.00
Sales of Product Income		140.00
Total Income	\$26,065.76	\$28,995.15
GROSS PROFIT	\$26,065.76	\$28,995.15
Expenses		
100 General Administrative Expenses	3,132.07	2,567.64
200 Membership	6,850.68	6,371.45
300 Communications	2,418.06	1,708.30
400 Fundraising	333.62	348.28
500 Program	7,104.88	10,103.56
Total Expenses	\$19,839.31	\$21,099.23
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$6,226.45	\$7,895.92
NET INCOME	\$6,226.45	\$7,895.92

League of Women Voters St. Paul

Balance Sheet As of April 30, 2022

	TOTAL	
	AS OF APR 30, 2022	AS OF APR 30, 2021 (PY
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
US Bank Checking Chapter c4	0.00	3,082.79
US Bank Checking Ed Fund c3	24,140.81	13,999.92
US Bank Savings Chapter c4 (deleted)	0.00	1,165.27
USBancorp Money Market c3	14,138.56	14,136.95
Total Bank Accounts	\$38,279.37	\$32,384.93
Total Current Assets	\$38,279.37	\$32,384.93
TOTAL ASSETS	\$38,279.37	\$32,384.93
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	-	
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		
Equity		
Board Designated	4,744.83	4,744.83
Permanently Restricted	4,000.00	4,000.00
Retained Earnings	23,308.09	15,744.18
Net Income	6,226.45	7,895.92
Total Equity	\$38,279.37	\$32,384.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$38,279.37	\$32,384.93

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS!

Thank you for supporting the League of Women Voters of St. Paul! The League has received many donations this league year from members and non-members. These donations help us carry out League's work *thank you!*

Below is a list of donors to LWVSP during our current fiscal year, July 1 - May 22, 2022 (outside of annual dues renewals which are also tax deductible and support our work). We try to be as accurate as possible with its records. If you have made a donation and we missed you in this list, we apologize. Please let us know (office@lwvsp.org, 651-718-7216).

Margaret and Roger Anderson	Gail Lundeen Brand	Joan Davis
Cheryl Bailey and Dan Humes	Dianne Brooke	Claudia Dieter, in honor of Barb
Antoinette Baker	Barbara Burleigh	Burleigh
Nona Beining	Jon & Anne Cieslak	Charlton Dietz, in memory of Nina
Bonnie Benson	Bill Childs	Rothschild
Denise Blakenship	Ann Commers	Trudy Dunham
Colleen H. and Patrick Bollom	Catrina Davis	Elizabeth Dyson

Clothilde Earl and Tom Zell Cary and Joann Perna

Joanne A. Englund Yvonne Leick Mary and Ken Peterson

Margaret GadientHelen LoslebenPat PetersonBev GausePeggy LynchDiane Power

Marisa Geisler Beatrice Magee Council Member Jane Prince
Holly Green Jeanne Matross Deanna Sande

Jill Gunderson-GernesKate MeyersChristine SchniedersKeith A. HardyMarion McCarthyJacklyn SchroederNicholas HarperRoberta MegardLucy Wade Shepard

Diane Hellekson Amy Mino Sharon and Rick Slettehaugh

Cynthia Hill Barb Morin Janice L. Snyder Mark Holle Sharon Murphy Kathy Stack Phyllis Hollihan Deborah A. Nelson **Evan Stanley** Anne L. Howden Joan and Richard Newmark Amanda Theuer **Ruby Hunt** Mary Ann Ogden Kristin Tyborski John and Ruth Huss Carol Ann and Doug Ogren Jane Ulmann-Bester

Kristin Johnson Susan O'Leary Mary Vik

Sigrid Johnson Thomas Findlay & Missy O'Neil Mr. and Mrs. James Watson Heidi Kloempken Jan Ormasa and Thomas Hiendlmayr Lorna G. Williams-Wyche

Steve and Ione Kloempken Marcella Otypka Mari Wittenbreer
Carol and Tom Kramer Beatrice Owen Suzanne W. Yeager
Agnes J. Kranz Mary Palmer Lois Yellowthunder

Dan Krivit and Susan Schmidt Sally D. Patterson

Amanda Perna Amy Perna

BUSINESS MEETING RULES OF ORDER

- 1. Each person wishing to speak must identify her/himself.
- 2. During the discussion, after the original presentation, each speaker shall be limited to two minutes. No person may speak more than once on a question until all others who wish to speak have done so. No one may speak a third time without the permission of the assembly.
- 3. Program discussion shall be limited to ten minutes on each proposed item.
- 4. Discussion on business items other than program shall be limited to 15 minutes.
- 5. All motions of substance must be in writing and handed to the chair.

APPROVAL OF LAST YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Chair: "I now welcome motions to approve last year's Annual Meeting minutes, found in the meeting materials." Member: , so move to approve the minutes of the 2020 100th Annual Meeting." Member: , second the motion." Chair: "A motion to approve the minutes of the 2020 100th Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of St. Paul was made by _____. Is there any discussion?" Membership: [Possible discussion and amendments] Chair: "Hearing no further discussion I call the vote. All those in favor of approving the minutes of the 2020 100th Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of St. Paul (as amended) say 'yea.' All those against say 'nay.'" "The motion [carries/fails]." Chair:

101st ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

League of Women Voters of St Paul Minutes of the 101st Annual Meeting Monday, May 17, 2021

Call to Order

Suggested Motion

Co-President Heidi Kloempken called to order the 101st Annual Meeting via Zoom at 6:17pm. There were 40 participants in attendance.

Approval of 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes by Amy Mino, seconded by Mary McCarthy, there was no discussion, Kloempken made a motion to approve the minutes letting everyone know to unmute yourself and say yes, then mute yourself again. Hearing no further discussion, motion carried, minutes were approved.

Award Recognition

Amy Perna presented the Sunrise Award to Dan Krivit. Krivit has been active with youth vote since 2016, on the board 2018-2019 and 2020 but continued to be the chair of the youth vote committee until February of 2021. He has been a central part of the success of the youth vote committee. Krivit mentored the new co-chairs, Grace Reardon and Lia Pak who have taken over for him. Job will done, Dan!

Claudia Dieter presented the Faye Lyksett Award to Nik Harper. Dieter read a long of list of accomplishments by Harper in his various roles these past 7 years, including serving as the webmaster for the League site, previous copresident and civic engagement director for the state League.

Co-President's Comments

Amy Perna started the discussion reviewing last year's motion concerning the change to make 501c4 dormant. The process this year has resulted in tonight's presentation to dissolve the 501c4 and adopt to combine the 501c4 and the 501c3 and change the bylaws to reflect this change.

The changes to the bylaws were made by Amy Mino and Diane Power and were included in the meeting packet. Amy Mino stated that she and Diane Power looked at the bylaws for both organizations and incorporated elements of c4 into c3.

Amy Perna read the motion from the meeting packet, the action that the LWVSP respectfully requests that we vote to dissolve the 501c4 and adopt the combined bylaws. A copy of the revised bylaws was included in the meeting packet. Sally Patterson so moved to approve, seconded by Joann Ellis. Perna opened it up for discussion. Sally Patterson gave a brief background on past reasoning for the c4/c3.

Sally Patterson asked if this change was similar to the one made by the state league. Nik Harper confirmed that it was.

After no further discussion, Amy Mino motioned for members to unmute to approve, approvals were heard, Mino then requested if there any nays or abstentions, none were heard, motion carried

Election of Directors and Officers

Amy Mino and the nominating committee submitted the slate of board members on page 26 of the meeting packet for nominations to be board members for the League of Women Voters for St Paul for 2020/2021.

Amy Perna asked for a motion to approve the election of directors and officers, motion was made by Amy Mino, seconded by Marion McCarthy. There was no discussion, the motion carried.

The 2020-2021 Nominating Committee submitted the following slate of officers to the League of Women Voters of St Paul Board of Directors for election Membership at the Annual Meeting.

Nominee	Office	Board Term
Officers to be Elected		
1. Amy Perna	Co-President	2020-2021
2. Heidi Kloempken	Co-President	2020-2021
3. Hayden Kilkenny	Vice President	2020-2022
4. Helen Losleben	Secretary	2020-2022
5. Nicole Fairbanks	Finance / Treasurer	2020-2022

Directors to be Elected (4 total directors can be elected in two-year, staggered terms)

1. Cheryl Bailey	Program	2021-2023
2. Nona Beining	Program	2021-2023
3. Joann Ellis	Program	2021-2023
4. Bridget Adams	Program	2021-2023

Continuing Elected Directors (elected last year)

 Beatrice Owen 	Program	2020-2022

Board Appointed Directors (Up to 6 to be appointed by the Board for one-year term)

1. Gail Lundeen Brand	Voter Service	2020-2021
2. Jacqueline Kelly	Voter Service	2020-2021
3. Marion McCarthy	Phone Answering	2020-2021
4. Grace Reardon	Youth Voter Service	2020-2021
5. Lia Pak	Youth Voter Service	2020-2021

Nominating Committee (Elected by the Membership)

1. Amy Mino	Non-board Representative	2020-2021
2. Hayden Kilkenny	Board Representative	2020-2021

Off-Board Positions

Nik Harper	Webmaster	2020-2021
A my Mino	Office Development	2020-2021
Diane Hellekson	The Voter Editor	2020-2021

Amy Perna made a motion to approve the slate of directors as made by Amy Mino seconded by Marion McCarthy, there was no discussion, a motion to vote was called, motion carried.

Thank you to retiring board members

Heidi Kloempken recognized retiring board member, Claudia Dieter, Program Committee Chair. Joann Ellis shared these thoughts on Claudia Dieter for her leadership and inspiration the last two years resulting in improved program quality. Claudia Dieter has been fun to work with, kept the committee on track and was exceptionally organized. Claudia Dieter will be missed.

Report on Voter Service Activities

Hayden Kilkenny was the Voter Service Chair in 2021. She spoke that they were off to a slow start last year due to COVID. There were 3 in person candidate forums. The forums were streamed live and recorded at the St. Paul Neighborhood Network TV Studio. Each event went really well. Their group started some new partnerships, with the Timberwolves/Lynx, St Paul Public Housing, St Peter Claver Church and Union Gospel Mission.

Joann Ellis will be taking over as Voter Service Chair this year. She is looking forward to continuing our relationships and working toward elections in 2022. Amy Pena thanked Hayden Kilkenny and said how much the League appreciates all her hard work and efforts to reach out to people.

Grace Reardon and Lia Pak will be taking over the Youth Vote Team as co-chairs to fill Dan Krivit's shoes on this committee.

Lia Pak, a junior at Macalester is looking for a good year ahead. Grace Reardon talked about the Youth Leader Program. Using grant money, they were able to pay the 11 student leaders who worked through the summer on census work. The students learned a lot about the census. There were students who did projects in multiple languages. Students were incredibly engaged, reaching out to their high school communities and larger communities.

In the fall, we paid 13 student leaders working in the high schools educating their peers about elections. They are continuing to work on other possibilities and if anyone else wishes to get involved, please let them know. Krivit added that we developed a liaison with the high schools that worked really well. Some of these were: Joann Ellis at Johnson, Heidi Kloempken at Central and Humboldt, and Amy Mino with the St Paul Performing Arts School.

Program Update

Claudia Dieter highlighted the program events as they used people who had a strong interest in the topic. All events were presented via Zoom, Zoom has been able to reach a broader audience and increased attendance numbers. The group applied new tactics. Each member invited 3 friends to each event. The group created a brand – "Our St Paul, Learn with the League", a consistent date and time, the last Tuesday of the month. Bridget Adams helped the group expand their use of social media. The group also expanded the use of zoom options to include survey information connected to each event and compile lists of attendees to share with the membership group. In general, gaining more information from attendees to assist with future programs. SPNN continues to be a great partner.

Financial Report on the Current Year

Nicole Fairbanks covered the proposed budget included in the meeting packet. She is projecting a deficit of \$10,350. There are some expenses on the report that we may have to scale back on, we are looking at some grant money from Ramsey County. The numbers show that the current year will end with a surplus of approximately \$5-6000. Most of the expenses are associated with the programs. Amy Perna noted we did apply for a \$10,000 grant. There is about \$20,000 in restricted reserves.

Nicole Fairbanks moved to approve the 2021-2022 budget, seconded Hayden Kilkenny. Amy Perna called a motion to approve, with no further discussion, motion carried, budget was approved.

Board/Membership Discussion

Amy Mino asked if Beatrice Owen and Bridget Adams are co-chairing the program committee, which they are. Bridget Adams will also continue to assist with social media efforts. Bridget is doing an internship on social media with the league and the University of Minnesota. Beatrice Owen stated that if anyone is interested in being on the program committee, please let her know.

Marion McCarthy noted that she felt our program committee did a spectacular job adopting the programs from inperson to zoom and the social networking. Both programs expanded the league's reach in the community.

Amy Mino called attention to the current board and the two co-presidents for all their efforts this past year. Amy Perna thanked everyone for their time and talents.

Barb Burleigh commented that if some new members wanted to learn more about the league they could read Joan Growe's book Turn Out. The evening book club enjoyed reading this book this past year.

As some members might not know her, Bridget Adams introduced herself and provided her email address, for anyone to send questions or comments to her.

Other Business & Adjournment

Amy Perna introduced Diane Hellekson, editor of the newsletter. Diane gave credit to collaborators Nona Beining and Claudia Dieter for their input. Claudia Dieter noted, it was Cheryl Bailey who wrote the articles not herself, Amy Mino has contributed also. If anyone has a question or has some input to the newsletter, please let her know.

Amy Perna had Nona Beining, introduce herself to the group. She was a new board member last fall, having just moved here from Wisconsin. Nona noted the first thing she did, when she moved here was to look for the LWV to join. Nona is co-chairing the membership committee with Amy Perna. She is working on engagement in the community and working with Diane Hellekson on articles for the newsletter.

Amy Mino talked about CMAL, Council of Metropolitan Leagues who met last week for the annual meeting. CMAL is doing a study on county government. If anyone is interested in getting involved, they are looking for volunteers

for the various counties. Mino is working on Washington County, Joann Ellis is working on Ramsey County. Joann Ellis is the leagues' CMAL representative. Anyone who wants to get more involved in the metro area government. County government is the new study.

In the fall the group will be putting together a report to present to all the leagues in the metropolitan area, next November.

Amy Perna called for a motion to adjourn, Nik Harper approved, seconded by Amy Mino, motion to approve was made, no discussion, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:27PM.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SLATE

Submitted by League of Women Voters Board of Directors

The Board of Directors submits the following slate to membership for election by the membership at the Annual Meeting.

Nominee Office		Board Term
Officers to be Elected		
1. Amy Perna	Co-President	2022-2023
2. Heidi Kloempken	Co-President	2022-2023
3. Hayden Kilkenny	Vice President	2022-2023
4. Nichole Fairbanks	Treasurer	2022-2024
5. Jacquelyn Kelly	Secretary	2022-2024
Directors to be Elected		
1. Donna Addkison	DEI	2022-2024
2. Pam Mercier	Voter Service	2022-2024
3. Grace Reardon	Youth Vote Co-Chair	2022-2024
4. Lia Pak	Youth Vote Co-Chair	2022-2023
5. Beatrice Owen	Program Co-Chair	2022-2024
Continuing Elected Directors		
1. Cheryl Bailey	Program Co-Chair	2021-2023
2. Nona Beining	Membership Chair	2021-2023
3. Joann Ellis	Voter Service Chair	2021-2023
Off-Board Positions		
Nick Harper	Webmaster	2022-2023
Amy Mino	Office/Development	2022-2023
Diane Hellekson	Editor, The Voter	2022-2023
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BIOGRAPHIES

Donna Addkison (nominated)

Donna Addkison is a social, racial and economic justice policy advocate and fundraiser. She has held several positions of note including: National Program Director and CEO, Wider Opportunities for Women; Chief Development Officer, City of New Orleans; CEO for a regional chamber of commerce and economic development foundation; and Deputy Chief of Staff, Special Assistant for Economic Development and Washington Office Director for a Governor. Highlights include securing \$11 million in deposits prior to opening a credit union in an underserved neighborhood; bringing in more than \$50 million in grant dollars for minority business development and environmental reclamation for Orleans Parish; opening the first business redevelopment center in the state following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; working with a team to develop a measure of what it costs to live in every county in the nation for more than 420 family types, and launching a pet pantry to keep pets in place with their people. Donna serves as Chief Development Officer for Veterans Yoga Project, a nonprofit providing programming for veterans, active-duty military and military family members living with PTS(D). Additionally, Donna coaches teens and adults living with ADHD or Executive Function impairments and those in relationship with them. She dedicates a portion of her time to MN Pride Rotary Club, League of Women Voters of St Paul, and Karuna Community. Donna holds two advanced degrees and is a Registered Yoga Teacher. A staunch animal rights and rescue advocate, she is "mom" to rescued Yorkshire Terriers, Rocky and Emma Ruth.

Cheryl Bailey (current Director)

Cheryl Bailey joined League of Women Voters St. Paul in 2018 and served on the Board this past year. She recently retired from a 25-year career as a Gynecologic Oncologist, working primarily at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. As a cancer surgeon, she saw up close how lack of a logical payment system negatively affected her patients. As a mother of two teenage boys, she remains keenly interested in our educational system. As a retired physician dealing with women's health, she is very supportive of reproductive health care rights. She feels more than ever that all politics are local and supports the League's mission of advocating for educated voters. She lives in Merriam Park with her husband Dan and two teenage sons.

Nona Beining

Nona moved to MN in May 2020 to take a job at Securian Financial as a Customer Insights Consultant. The first thing she did after moving the St Paul was look for her local League. She joined the board in the fall of 2020. Her daughter, two dogs and cat live in the Mac Groveland neighborhood. Her non-profit and volunteer work has spanned a couple different organizations. She started out as a 4-H leader and US Pony Club district commissioner, joint-district commissioner and secretary. Once her daughter graduated high school and moved to MN for school, she refocused her efforts on political activation. In 2016 a group of like-minded community organizers formed a new LWV in Sheboygan County. She's served as secretary, liaison to the LWVWI DEI committee, and liaison for the Complete Count Committee (Census Dept) for Sheboygan County.

Joann Ellis (current Director)

Joann Ellis has resided in St. Paul on the East Side for over 30 years. She joined the League Board in 2017. Joann is a teacher by trade and has always felt the value of education in any situation! She believes now is the time that we need to engage, encourage and educate people about what voting is and how it affects their daily lives. Over the years, Joann has been involved in many causes from Early Childhood Education to advocating for the aging. She has organized rallies at the State Capitol, served on many Boards in the areas of education, parent advocacy, community events and programs and aging. She also organized a Living at Home/Block Nurse Program in her area that is still up and running today.

Nichole Fairbanks (Treasurer, nominated and current)

Nichole Fairbanks has served as Treasurer of the Board since 2017. Prior to taking over those duties, she assisted LWVSP with the preparation of their annual compiled financial statements since 2009. She has volunteered at candidate forums and voter registration events. Nichole is a CPA at the accounting firm Harrington Langer & Associates. She began working at HLA in 2005 and became a partner in 2010. Her areas of expertise are nonprofits and small business tax and consulting. Nichole grew up in Red Wing, MN and graduated from Winona State University. Her hobbies include traveling, tennis, gardening and volunteering.

Hayden Kilkenny (Vice President, nominated and current)

Hayden Kilkenny has served on the Board since 2014 in a variety of capacities. She has lived in St. Paul for the past 18 years. She and her family are very involved in the Irish community in St. Paul through dance and cultural organizations. Currently, she is Chair of Community Relations for the St. Patrick's Association, which organizes the St. Patrick's Day parade in St. Paul each year. She also does volunteer coordination for the organization. Hayden has 4 children, two of whom are enrolled in St. Paul Public Schools. She volunteers time in their classrooms and at PTO events. She joined LWVSP because she was impressed by the topics discussed at League's Monthly Meet-ups. As a parent, she is interested in helping the youth in our community find a voice through voting and participating in the political process.

Heidi Kloempken (Co-President, nominated and current)

Heidi has been a League member since 2016 and has been serving on the Board, most recently as the Co-President of the Board. She started registering voters at St. Paul libraries and continued with organizing as part of the Youth Vote effort. In her non-League time, she works for the Minnesota Historical Society as a Teacher Education Program Specialist and loves to watch baseball.

Jacquelyn Kelly (nominated and current Director)

Jacquelyn is a resident of Oakdale. She is a stay home parent with two children and a full-time parent caregiver to one of her children with a disability. Jacquelyn is an active member political organizer for the home care workers union, SEIU HCMN and has been active in engaging with lawmakers about labor rights for PCA's and family home care workers. She is passionate about helping members of her community engage with local government and exercise their rights through civic engagement.

Pamela Mercier (nominated)

I have lived in Saint Paul for twenty-two years having moved from Bemidji, Minnesota in 1997 where I raised my two children. In Bemidji I developed my career as an ELL teacher at high school and University level. I completed my Master's Degree in ELL education at Reading University in 1990 while living with my family in England. When I moved to the Twin Cities I studied at the University of Minnesota and began teaching at Saint Paul Public Schools from which I retired in 2021. Currently, I teach English to adult ELLs at the Hubbs Center in Saint Paul. My work with the League began in 2021 when I discovered and joined the Program Committee. I am delighted to have the opportunity to work with the Voter Service Committee as well. In the past few years my involvement in civic engagement issues and efforts has grown markedly. In particular, I have developed and participated in voter registration and voter education events in school settings. I am excited to have the opportunity to imagine and implement more and better such activities in various venues as part of the VS Committee.

Beatrice Owen (nominated and current Director)

Beatrice is a new member to the St Paul League. A former member and board member of the League of Women Voters of La Porte County in Indiana, she values the work that the League does in the community

and for the community. She has over 25 years of management experience in non-profits including leading a coalition in Indiana to reduce youth substance abuse. Currently she is executive director for a state-wide trade association, the Minnesota Chapter National Association of the Remodeling Industry.

Lia Pak (nominated and current Director)

Lia is currently a student at Macalester college ('23) majoring in Political Science and Biology, with a concentration in Community and Global Health. I'm from Northfield, Minnesota but I currently live in St. Paul in a house near campus. I first got involved with LWVSP in the fall of 2020 as part of an internship for one of my classes, but I've been interested in politics for as long as I can remember. When I'm not in school or working with LWVSP I'm probably competing with Mac's mock trial team, baking, or watching silly TV with my housemates.

Amy Perna (Co-President, nominated and current)

Amy first became involved with League as the candidate forum coordinator in 2016, she worked in the capacity during the 2017 and 2018 elections also. She has served on the board since 2018/19 and has served as Co-President since 2019/20. She lives in the Como Park neighborhood with her husband and daughter and has served on the Como Community Council – District 10 as Vice Chair. She has a passion for civic and community engagement that began while she when she was in high school, organizing students and faculty to support Diversity Day. In 2014 she earned her master's degree from the Humphrey School of Public Policy. She believes that a healthy democracy requires informed and engaged citizens, open and responsive government and the opportunity to take action.

Grace Reardon (nominated and current Director)

Grace just graduated from Macalester College with a degree in political science. During her time at Mac, she worked as the LWVSP Youth Vote Coordinator and was a 2020 Youth Civic Engagement Fellow with the League of Women Voters Minnesota. She is currently working as a project manager at a non-profit advocacy organization and is excited to continue working with the Youth Vote Committee and high school Student Leaders.

MOTION TO ELECT MEMBERS

Nomination from the Board:	"The Board of Directors so moves to elect the following individuals to serve on the Lea Women Voters of St. Paul Board of Directors:	ague of
	Amy Perna and Heidi Kloempken as Co-Presidents;	
	Nichole Fairbanks as Treasurer;	
	Hayden Kilkenny as Vice President;	
	Jacquelyn Kelly as Secretary;	
	Beatrice Owen, Donna Addkison, Pam Mercier, Lia Pak, and Grace Reardon	
	As Directors	
Member:	"I,, second the motion."	

Chair:	"A motion to elect [repeat slate] has been made by and second by Are there any nominations from the floor for the position open Director or Officer positions?"				
Membership:	[Possible discussion and amendments]				
Chair:	"Hearing no further discussion I call the vote. All those in favor of electing the 2022-2024 slate as presented for the League of Women Voters of St. Paul [as amended] say 'yea.' All those against say 'nay.'"				
Chair:	"The motion [carries/fails]."				

2022-2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

Submitted by Nichole Fairbanks, Treasurer

The LWVSP budget is enclosed. This budget covers our fiscal year 2023 (FY23), which runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. For the FY23, the program leaders are recommending several program initiatives that would require use of organizational reserves. These program initiatives include the following:

- Funds for our Youth Vote Program (\$2,000). Paid student leaders from high schools across St. Paul will work to register voters in their schools.
- Funds for the fall candidate forums (\$8,300).
- Educational program events (\$2,000).
- Other miscellaneous program costs (\$1,900).

INCOME

The budgeted costs exceed the budgeted revenues by \$10,422. The board and program leaders are working on grant opportunities to help fund some of this deficit. Because these opportunities are unknown at this time, we only budgeted for \$1,000 in grant revenue. In FY22 we were successful in securing \$8,000 in grant revenue from Ramsey County, LWVMN and LWVUS. FY22 is projected to end with a surplus of approximately \$7,000 and approximately \$34,000 in unrestricted and board designated reserves.

LWVSP is not raising dues for FY23. At most membership levels \$59 of your dues are passed on to the state (\$27) and national (\$32) league.

The table shows the dues broken down by National, State and Local:

<u>Level</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>US</u>	MN	<u>LWVSP</u>
Lifetime	-	_	_	-
Student	20.00	_	13.50	6.50
Needs based	20.00	32.00	27.00	(39.00)
Indiv - 1st yr	60.00	32.00	27.00	1.00
Individual	75.00	32.00	27.00	16.00
Sustainer	90.00	32.00	27.00	31.00
Household	150.00	48.00	40.50	61.50

The LWVSP Board believes these program activities of the League are important to the work of the League, will help us achieve our organizational goals, and will continue to provide outreach and awareness for the core values and initiatives of LWVSP.

2021-2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

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MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET

Chair calls for a	motion to approve.				
Member:	•	 ;	o approve the attached budget of th une 30, 2023) fiscal year."	ne League of Women	
Member:	"I,	, second th	e motion."		
Chair:	* *	made by	of the League of Women Voters of S and seconded by		
Chair:	(After discussion) "Hearing no further discussion I call the vote. All those in favor of approving the attached budget of the League of Women Voters of St. Paul for the 2022-2023 fiscal year [as amended] say 'yea.' All those against say 'nay.'"				
Chair:	"The motion [carries/fa	ails]."			

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

Program Committee: Program planning has many facets, including: creating topics, confirming speakers, finding venues, establishing relationships with co-sponsors, creating marketing materials and press releases, hosting the events, and connecting with partners/friends to promote the events. If even a few members sign up, we're sure our programs will be stronger and the work will be manageable for all involved. Contact: Beatrice Owen (beaowen@earthlink.net) and Cheryl Bailey (auntdrcb@comcast.net).

Communications and Marketing: We'd love help with small one-off projects or in the larger marketing work--whatever suits you. We are looking for volunteers interested in creating: social media content, press releases, flyers and promotional materials, website content, emails to members, etc. Contact: Amy Perna (pernalwvstp@gmail.com)

Voter Service Committee: Long-standing LWVSP Program. Register voters, help with candidate forums, and conduct outreach and educational events; Contact: Joann Ellis (eastsidemom16@hotmail.com).

Youth Vote Committee: Help register and work with young voters! Contact Grace Reardon (graceer42@gmail.com) or Lia Pak (lpak@macalester.edu).

Membership Committee: Welcome new members (personal meetings when possible); small group meetings for newcomers to meet each other. Contact: Nona Beining (nbeining@gmail.com)

DEI: New subcommittee, help ensure our work in St. Paul lives up to our DEI statement. Contact: Donna Addkison (donna@withertynes.com).

Phone Answering: Please contact Amy Perna (pernalwvstp@gmail.com) if you can help answer our office phone for one month at a time. This is an easy to do from home way to help out!

BOARD/MEMBERSHIP DISCUSSION

Before adjourning for the evening, league members are encouraged to share their thoughts with the Board about the year we finished and the year ahead. Meeting adjournment anticipated at around 8:00pm.

Adjournment expected around 8:00 pm.