# Board Meeting Minutes FINAL Wednesday, August 28, 2013 -- 1:00pm, Daily Grind, back room

Attendees: Shelley Jones, Karen Kiessling, Deb Olson, Paul Spencer, Anne Lewis, Lucy Linden, Janet Kendall, Susan Daniels, Joan Folwell, and June Crawford

#### 1. EVENTS

A. <u>Next Board Meeting</u>--September 18, 1-2:30 Daily Grind. Karen Kiessling

B. <u>League Meeting</u> Monday, September 9 at Janet Kendall's, 925 SE Skylark Court.

Back to League Potluck. Program: Lucy Linden.

League basics: Karen -- consensus etc.

June and Deborah -- observers and voter service opportunities Shelley -- value and rewards

Paul -- website

Lenna -- League History

Do not park in Janet's driveway--it is too difficult to get back out.

Note: All members should try to think of someone to invite and bring to this League meeting.

- C. <u>Brown Bag Meeting</u>, Thursday Sept. 19 at the Congregational Church. 12:00 to 1:00. Meeting with the County Commissioners.
- D. <u>National Voter Registration Day</u>, Tuesday, September 24--Deb Olsen Deb has talked to Joanne Bailey at the Neill Public Library about having volunteers there. Anne will be at the library part of the time. Karen volunteered to help at Rosauer's in Colfax and Paul will fill in for the afternoon there. More volunteers to man registration tables are needed. Deborah suggested that good preliminary publicity might enable us to have fewer stations, i.e. perhaps just Dissmore's and the Library in Pullman. Deborah is planning to attend a meeting to receive instructions and forms for registering to vote, and anyone is welcome to attend also.
- E. <u>Forum on the Open Meetings Act.</u> Wednesday, September 25 6:30-8:30 at the McGregor Co. Training Center, 401 Airport Road West of Colfax. Karen Kiessling reported that Paul Kimmel (of Avista) has sent a notice about the Forum to many Eastern Washington contacts. The ads about the

forum will start on Sept. 3 and continue through the 25th. Karen distributed a one page Status report about preparations for the Forum. The forum committee applied for and received a grant of \$500 from the LWV Washington Education Fund Civic Engagement Project which will help offset the costs associated with this event. A grant of \$3000 for advertising time has also been obtained.

June Crawford and Bev Webster will be timing the Speakers.

The Press Release was written by Sue Hinz.

The Forum is on the NPR NW calendar.

The WCOG needs evaluation about the effectiveness of the presentation, so LWV members at the meeting should try to facilitate this.

Karen emphasized that a strong turnout of League Members is needed for this event to help it go smoothly!

Karen has arranged housing with 3 league members for the 3 speakers from WCOG who asked for it.

- F. Shelley will send out a telephone calling tree notice for the Sept. events.
- G. <u>Note proposed change in League meeting schedule</u>: We hope to switch Mary's meeting (County Director of Public Health--Poverty) to November, in place of Joan's (Agriculture) which would move to February.

## 2. Treasurer's Report

Joan Folwell reported that our total assets are \$6898.60. This is down from the previous report, but Member dues are coming soon. Note that all the National and State League per-member dues have already been paid through 2014. Joan has opened an account for the Open Meeting forum to handle the \$500 grant received for this event.

It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to accept this treasurer's report.

October Voter Deadline -- September 28, issue date Oct 1 or 2. Susan Daniels
 Voter Article list:
 Action workshop East Side
 Mary collins interview

October Forums -- Deborah

November Meeting -- either Joan or Mary Collins

Reports about September meetings

Sept. 9 Back to League -- Lucy

Brown Bag meeting -- Deborah

Voter Registration -- Deborah

Open Meeting Forum -- Karen

Lentil Fest. Parade -- Deb

November Calendar

December Calendar

Article re: Dec Meeting -- June

Listing of Board Meeting Chairmen

Something from New Member Outreach -- Susan

Possibly a description of a League office --?

Note that LWVWA has moved -- Susan

### 3. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCH ATTENDANCE

September 10 - Karen

October 8 - Shelley and Anne

November 12 - Shelley

December party Karen, Deb and others?

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January 14 - Lucy

February 11 - Deb

March 11 - Anne

April 8 - June

May 13 - Paul

June 10 - Janet Kendall

No July meeting

## 4. Brown Bag meetings -- Deborah Olsen

Deborah will make the calls and do the scheduling, but needs help with ideas and topics for these meetings.

Current ideas: Moscow LWV League poverty study

Jeff Guyette, Community Action Center

Director of the WSU organic farm

A State of the Hospital meeting was requested by the hospital, and a brown bag meeting might be a good way to do this.

Pullman Parks and Recreation program and plans

Please call Deborah with other ideas.

5. Leadership Development --Shelley Jones

Shelley reported that she and Deborah have been participating in this program. It is about how to get more members and how to develop new leaders. As part of the program, the State LWV has given them a large binder, a handbook of ways and means of doing this. The State League has suggested picking out one thing which looks useful and trying it. There is a spreadsheet on how to organize for a new event which seems like a good possibility. Shelley will send an email of the summary page for this.

Deborah suggested that it would be a good idea that LWV members always have name tags to help encourage engagement of non-leaguers with our members. The board resolved that we should always have a signup sheet available for people who might be interested in future LWV events and this may eventually attract new members.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted, Paul Spencer, Secretary