

1954 Left to right: Mrs. Floyd Orton, President, Pullman League; Mrs. Karl Hobson, Treasurer; Mrs. Robert Franco, State League; Mrs. Errol Horner, National Staff; Mrs. Bernard Fried and Mrs. William Firey, Pullman League Members



## 1920 — 2020 & Beyond:

*“We believe in the power of women to create a more perfect democracy.”*

That's been our vision since 1920, when the League of Women Voters was founded by leaders of the women's suffrage movement. For 100 years, we have been a nonpartisan, activist, grassroots organization that believes voters should play a critical role in democracy. <https://www.lww.org/about-us/history>

**League of Women Voters of Pullman** was organized in February 1950 and became a chartered local league in 1952.

(Photos: Some of our first Pullman League Members (**above**) and Honoring 50+ Year League Members (**right**))

<https://www.lwvpullman.org>



# Mission, Vision, Values, Non-Partisan

Cool People  
Always Vote  
LWV

Your Vote  
Your Future  
LWV

**Mission:** Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

**Vision:** We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.

**Value:** We believe in the power of women to create a more perfect democracy.

**Non-Partisan:** The League neither supports nor opposes any political party or candidate for public office, at any level of government. The League acts in support of, or in opposition to, elected governmental issues which members have studied and written a position.

**Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Policy.** The League is fully committed to ensure compliance with LWVUS' Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Policy

# Board of LWV-Pullman

The League of Women Voters of Pullman shall be governed by the Elected Officers *and* Members, acting as a **Board of the Whole**, to manage the activities of the League. This means *any member* may attend our Board Meetings and participate.

The officers of the League of Women Voters of Pullman shall be two or three executive officers, a Secretary and a Treasurer. These elected officers make up an executive team.

Other positions in our League may include:

- \* Community Outreach Chair
- \* Community Update Editor
- \* Finance Drive Coordinator
- \* Membership Chair
- \* Nominating Committee
- \* Observer Corps Chair
- \* *VOTER* Editor
- \* Voter Service Team
- \* Webmaster



# Membership



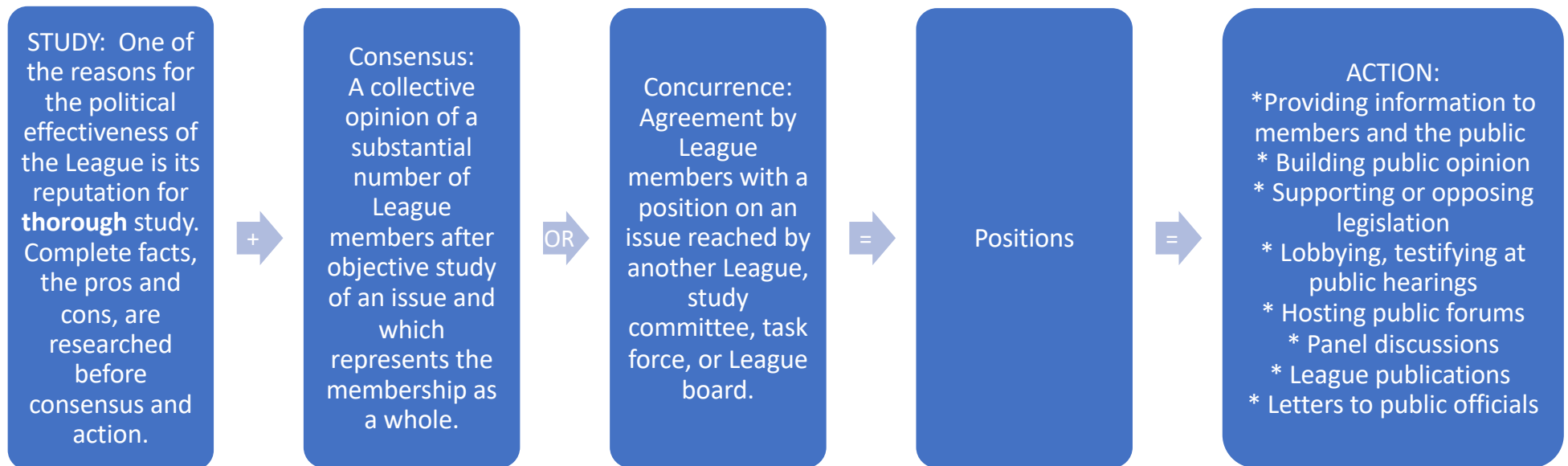
The League of Women Voters of Pullman is associated with the League of Women Voters of Washington and the League of Women Voters of the U.S. *You automatically become a member of the state and national Leagues when you join the League of Women Voters of Pullman.*

Why Join as a Member? As a member you may:

- Participate in Program selection on all League levels.
- Join in member only state and national conventions and other events.
- Volunteer for local, state, and national committees.
- Participate in studies at all League levels.
- Assist with Voter Registration Drives.
- Volunteer to be a member of our Observer Corps – attend and observe various local governmental bodies to listen, learn and make factual reports of the proceedings.
- Attend and participate in Board Meetings.

# Studies + Consensus = Positions = Actions

The League of Women Voters is an action group. However, it may only take action on issues which have been extensively studied and on which the members are agreed by consensus or concurrence and adopted a position. League of Women Voters Advocacy and Lobbying is based on positions. Additionally, “Speaking with One Voice” is one of the most important tenets of the League.



LWV-Pullman Positions: <http://lwvpullman.org/positions.html>

LWVWA Positions: <https://lwvwa.org/resources/Documents/Program%20In%20Action%202019-20.pdf>

LWVUS Positions: <https://www.lwv.org/sites/default/files/2020-12/LWV-impact-2020.pdf>

# Meetings



LWV-Pullman has multiple programs nearly every month. Be sure to check out our League calendar on our webpage and your email for the latest notifications.

## Monthly 'Board of the Whole' meetings.

General educational meetings are open to the public and are typically held September through May featuring a guest speaker.

Brown Bag educational meetings are also open to the public.

Annual Program Planning Meeting is held to discuss Local, State, and National Programing.

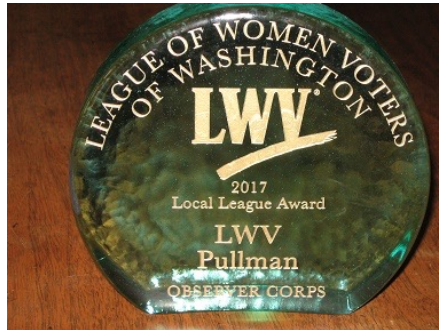
Annual Business Meeting: Members elect officers, adopt a budget, set the dues, approve changes to the Position Statements and/or Bylaws.

An Annual Planning Meeting establishes topics for General and Brown Bag meetings.

## Candidate and Ballot issues forums.

A Back to League/Membership Meeting is held for membership recruitment and orientation.





# Other Resources

## LWV-Pullman---[www.lwvpullman.org](http://www.lwvpullman.org)

- TRY (They Represent You) – Listing of local elected officials and city/county agencies.
- The VOTER – a newsletter published by the WA and Local leagues.
- LWV-Pullman Primer - Policies, procedures, lingo, bylaws...

Currently LWVWA and LWVUS have multiple newsletters throughout the month

## LWVWA – State---[www.lwvwa.org](http://www.lwvwa.org)

- The Evergreen Voter
- In League

## LWVUS - National [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org)





# How do I learn more?



1. Join and participate in your local Board. LWV-Pullman is a Board of the Whole - everyone can participate.
2. Attend Local Programs.
3. Join and participate in a local, state or national committee.
4. Attend State and National Conventions.
5. Be curious. Ask questions.

# *For more information on the League of Women Voters of Pullman:*

**Website:** [www.lwvpullman.org](http://www.lwvpullman.org)

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkeCtBwRLstVon9nvnORhOw>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/LWVPullman/>

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/lwvpullman/>

***Now it's up to you to ask questions and get involved!***

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