

The Time Has Come! The board is ready to recommend that the League of Women Voters of King County South merge with the League of Women Voters of Greater Seattle. Much thought and discussion at all levels have gone into making this decision. Beginning in our January local unit meetings, we were introduced to the options for transition, having recognized the lack of viability of our league in its present form. For a few years, the nominating committee has been unable to find members willing to accept leadership positions. Our membership has decreased to about 40 members, leaving few who are willing and able to work on the projects that are the fundamental purposes of the league. This decreased base is unable to produce consistent funding to continue. This situation is no one's fault. No one is to blame. No one has done anything wrong. It is just time to take a different path and each of you will have the choice of how you, as an individual, and you, as local units, may move forward.

Within your monthly mailing are many documents you will want to study if you hope to be an informed participant at the annual meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>. The Annual Meeting packet is included along with the May VOTER. Don't allow all the papers to discourage you, but instead, read each page through once for general understanding. Then look specifically at the Annual Meeting Agenda to see how the process will play out. As you review the mailing and your recent VOTERs you will be able to see how the information builds to our conclusion.

If you do not agree with the board's recommendation to merge with the Seattle League, you will have an opportunity to present your own idea with its leadership, plan and budget.

This will be an Annual Meeting like no other we have experienced, but we are committed to guide each of us and all of us into the future as we determine it to be, by vote.

The LWVKCS BYLAWS, ARTICLE VI, Section 2. Annual Meeting states "Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted."

We look forward to the next weeks as we work out our direction together.

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