

ANNUAL MEETING
Wednesday, May 12, 2010
PROPOSED AGENDA

- 9:30 A.M. Registration and Coffee. Silent Auction
- 10:00 A.M. **CALL TO ORDER**
Welcome
Introduction of Parliamentarian
Determination of Quorum
Adoption of Agenda
Announcement of Approval of 2009 Minutes
Adoption of Annual Meeting Rules
Appointment of Committee to Approve 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes
- 10:10 A.M. **Program Adoption**
Motions to Approve Recommended Program Items
Vote on Recommended Items
Re-adoption of Current Positions
- 10:30 A.M. **Financial Reports**
Presentation of the 2009-2010 Year-to-Date Treasurer's Report
Presentation of the 2010-2011 Proposed Budget
Debate and Adoption of Budget
- 11:15 A.M. **RECESS/LUNCH**
Silent Auction
- 12:15 P.M. **Program: Loretta (Payne) Byrnes speaking on Bangladesh**
- 1:00 P.M. **Report of the Nominating Committee**
Nominations from the Floor
Election of Officers, Directors and Nominating Committee
- 1:10 P.M. **Approval of State Council Delegates**
- 1:15 P.M. **The Future LWV of Kitsap: Where Are We Now? Where Are We Headed?
Where Do We Want To Be?**
- 1:45 P.M. **Guidance to the Board**
- 1:55 P.M. **Announcements**
- 2:00 P.M. **ADJOURN**

PROGRAM PLANNING AND ADOPTION

LEAGUE PROGRAM TERMS

Study Item: A program item which involves new areas of study.

Action Item: A program item under which action will or may be taken in accordance with its position statement.

Statement of Position: A statement detailing areas of specific member agreement as related to a particular program item.

Outlook for Work: A description of the work expected to be undertaken for either a study or action item.

Non-Recommended Program: Those issues submitted by members but not recommended by the Board for program work.

PROGRAM ADOPTION PROCEDURES

From the By-Laws:

Article IX, Program. Sec. 3d and 3e:

“Recommendations for Program submitted by voting members . . . but not recommended . . . by the Board of Directors may be adopted by the Annual Meeting provided that i) the Annual Meeting orders consideration by a majority vote and ii) the Annual Meeting adopts the item by a two-thirds vote.

“In the event an item in the Proposed Program, or a not-recommended program item voted con- sideration, is limited to a local governmental jurisdiction other than Kitsap County, the following procedure shall govern its adoption: i) the members residing

within the local governmental jurisdiction shall adopt the item by a two-thirds vote of those members present and voting; and ii) the members residing outside the local government concerned shall concur in the adoption by a majority of those present and voting.”

OTHER PROCEDURES IN ADOPTING PROGRAM

Members may move to amend an item or statement of position (by “striking and inserting,” “substituting,” “deleting,” or by “amending to read”). Members may amend a proposed study item only in ways which do not enlarge the scope or alter the intent of the study. If program is being considered by paragraph, an individual program item may be dropped by moving to “amend proposed program by deleting . . .” and an affirmative vote on that motion. Outlook for Work is not formally adopted, but after the program is adopted, members may give direction to the Board on scope of inquiry, timing, emphasis and ways to manage the study and/or action phases.

PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommended Concurrence:

Poulsbo, Bremerton, and Port Orchard Municipal Government positions to be established as Concurrence with Bainbridge Island Municipal Government in brief: “Support procedural changes in local government which will improve efficiency, provide checks and balances, promote intergovernmental cooperation, and increase citizen confidence.”

Changes from the 2009 Annual Meeting

Health Care

At last year’s Annual Meeting the members approved a one-year study of health care availability in Kitsap County, in order to develop consensus questions and a local position on health care. The Health Care Committee has determined that a two-year project, “A Report on the Adequacy and Accessibility of Primary Health Care Services in Kitsap County” from the view point of providers is more appropriate. The Committee has reported to the Board and to the local Program Planning meeting in January and had an article in the March Voter to inform members of the direction it was taking.

Transportation

At last year’s Annual Meeting the members approved a one-year study to develop LWVK transportation positions based on concurrence with other Leagues and LWWVA positions. Because of unexpected health issues of family members, this is delayed to 2010-11.

ANNUAL MEETING RULES

Only members of the League of Women Voters of Kitsap have the privilege of participating. Visitors are welcome but may not vote.

Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum of all meetings of the League of Women Voters of Kitsap.

Only members have the privilege of the floor. When addressing the chair, members shall first clearly state their name.

After a motion is made, the mover is requested to put it in writing for the convenience of the secretary and the chair.

A majority vote of those present and voting shall be required for adoption of any measure, except where the Bylaws specify otherwise.

There shall be no resolutions, except those of a courtesy nature, presented to or adopted by the Annual Meeting.

LWV-KITSAP POSITIONS – 2009-2010

– NATURAL RESOURCES –

LAND USE

Position in Brief: Support the orderly development of Kitsap County in a manner which provides a variety of urban and non-urban environments while preserving the integrity of the environment and the county's natural resources as well as minimizing the public cost of providing services.

Statement of Position: We support management of land as a finite resource, not as a commodity, since we believe that land ownership, whether public or private, carries responsibility for stewardship. In resolving conflicts between public and private property rights, we believe the criteria to be considered are uniqueness or scarcity, importance to the community as a whole, promotion of health, safety and welfare, and the irreversibility of decision.

Support the goal of maintaining so far as possible the rural character of Kitsap County. Foster appropriate population densities in rural areas, including the elimination of bonus densities in Planned Unit Developments. Support preservation of open space, agricultural land, forest and woodland, and the requirement and protection of green belts between different land uses.

Encourage long-range planning which results in urban concentration (particularly in areas considered transportation hubs), reinforces existing community identities, and allows opportunities for industrial development and the provision of housing for people of all income levels.

All known factors should be considered in a consistent, logical manner in making land use decisions, with emphasis on the availability and protection of water resources and the protection of Critical Areas, wetlands, recharge areas, fish and wildlife habitat, flood and geologically hazardous areas.

OPEN SPACE, PARKS AND RECREATION

Position in Brief: Support acquisition of open space, park and recreation lands, and provision of funds to develop, maintain, preserve and operate such areas.

WATER RESOURCES

Position in Brief: Support measures to ensure adequate and safe water supplies for county residents.

Statement of Position: Promote coordinated planning and management of surface and ground-water resources to meet the needs of current and projected population. Support implementation of the wellhead protection program and measuring of water use. Support waste management practices which protect regional water quality.

All land use decisions must consider the protection of wetlands and critical recharge areas. Support purchase or other protection of open space lands which may serve a recharge function.

Support educational programs related to water use and encourage individual and governmental conservation efforts.

LWV-KITSAP POSITIONS – 2009-2010

– GOVERNMENT –

COUNTY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE

Position in Brief: The League of Women Voters of Kitsap supports measures which improve county government responsiveness to the people, provide for a greater separation of powers, promote administrative efficiency, increase the size of the legislative body to reflect population growth, and promote intergovernmental coordination.

Statement of Position: The League of Women Voters - Kitsap supports measures which:

- Encourage an informed and active citizenry. Comprehensive information as to the operation of county government should be readily available from trained, courteous personnel, from websites and print publications. Opportunities for citizen comment on and review of legislative and administrative decisions should be provided wherever appropriate. We do not, however, support institution of a people's initiative and/or referendum procedure at the county level of government.
- Strengthen the separation between legislative and administrative functions of county government, providing clear lines of authority and assignment of responsibilities.
- Increase the size of the legislative body to reflect population growth. In choosing members of this body, we support the process of nomination by district in a primary election with election to office by a vote of all county voters in the general election.
- Promote intergovernmental cooperation and coordination.

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Position in Brief: Support procedural changes in local government which will improve efficiency, provide checks and balances, promote intergovernmental cooperation, and increase citizen confidence.

SUSTAINABILITY

Position in Brief: A sustainable community respects its own diversity, values the complexity of the natural world, and accepts responsibility for the social, economic, and ecological well-being of present and future generations through individual and collective actions. It advocates an economy that equitably provides satisfying livelihoods in a safe, healthy environment that protects its natural resource base and the viability of natural systems on which all life depends. It balances regenerative and degenerative resources by applying the following principles:

- 1) rates of use of renewable resources do not exceed their rates of regeneration.
- 2) rates of nonrenewable resources do not exceed the rate at which sustainable renewable substitutes are developed.
- 3) rates of pollution emission do not exceed the assimilative capacity of the environment.

Statement of Position: Specifically Sustainable Communities:

- 1) have levels of pollution, consumption, and population size that are in keeping with regional carrying capacity;
- 2) share an ethic of responsibility to each other and to future generations;
- 3) reflect the social and environmental costs of the provision of goods and services in the prices charged for them;
- 4) encourage informed democratic participation and deliberation in their system of governance, education and civic leadership;
- 5) enhance neighborhood livability and access to green space in their design of markets, land use, and architecture;
- 6) make sure that housing is affordable and interrelated with employment, recreation and shopping areas;
- 7) integrate principles of sustainability into the community's Comprehensive Plan and other planning policies and procedures;
- 8) foster business development policies and procedures that support a sustainable community;
- 9) encourage inter-jurisdictional planning that supports sustainability; and
- 10) encourage innovative and creative approaches to sustainability.

LWV of Kitsap County Former Presidents

1962-1963 Mrs. James (Jo) Huey

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**1965-1967 Mrs. Mark (Martha)
Fassbinder**

1967-1969 Mrs. Carlo (Irene) Hallia

1969-1971 Mrs. Gene (Grace) Jones

1971-1972 Mrs. Charles (Willi) Allen

1972-1973 Mary Ellen Madison

1973-1975 Mary Ellen Madison

1975-1976 Mary Whitford

1976-1977 Janis Gass

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1978-1979 Marge Thorne

1979-1981 Beth McConaughy

1981-1983 Lois Curtis

1983-1984 Lois Curtis

1984-1985 Blossom Tibbits

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**1987-1989 Myra Howrey
& Eleanor Wheeler**

1989-1991 Nancy Quitslund

1991-1993 Shirley Haight

1993-1995 Mary Ellen Madison

1995-1997 Shirley Haight

**1997-1998 Executive Committee,
Eloise Andrus, Chair**

1998-2000 Eloise Andrus

2000-2002 Kim Abel

2002-2004 Kim Abel

2004-2005 Jane Reese

2005-2007 Dorothy Spadoni

2007-2009 Ellen Fisher

DUES RENEWAL

Your yearly dues are due on August 1, 2010 (Members joining for the first time since September 2009 will receive a prorated dues notification)

You will receive a postcard in July reminding you to pay your dues. Because the dollar amount of dues depends on approval of a budget, we cannot say at this time what that amount will be.

TRY (They Represent You) Correction

Under State Legislature, the Legislative Hotline number should be 1-800-562-6000.

Under County of Kitsap, the Treasurer is Meredith Green (D).

BUDGET 2010-2011

REVENUE	Yr. to Date 1/31/10	Budget 09-10	Budget 2010-2011
Dues	4,437.36	5,050.00	5,640.00 Dues increase to: \$60
Voter Subscriptions	30	300	240
Contributions-Members, dues notice	890	500	750
Contributions-Non-Members	130		100
Contributions-Memorials	50	50	50
Contributions-Annual Meeting/Auction		350	350
Contributions-Lunch/dinner (incl ann mtg)		1,000	500
Contributions-Fundraising Letter		1,000	750
Contributions-In Kind	32.59	300	150
Meetings, coffee	12.35	25	25
Interest	15.2	50	5
Scholarships		100	100
From Reserves: Savings		58	350
TOTAL RECEIPTS	5,597.50	8,783.00	9,010.00
EXPENSES	Yr. to Date 1/31/10	Budget 09-10	Budget 2010-2011
Annual Meeting		350	300
Board Administration		300	100
Convention-National		400	0
Convention/Council-State		500	2,000.00 State Convention in Richland
Dues-National	730.85	1,455.00	1,390.00
Dues-State	969	1,818.00	2,070.00 88 local members, 4 joint memberships
Fundraising		75	150
Meetings	45	100	100
Member Lunch/Dinners (incl ann mtg)		500	250
Membership Committee	253.32	765	500
Operations-Misc	20	20	20
President		20	20
Program-Portfolio Expense		50	50
Cap Exp - microphone		200	0
Scholarships		100	100
Secretary		10	10
Treasurer	18.24	120	50
Voter Supplies & Postage	678.82	2,000.00	1,900.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,715.23	8,783.00	9,010.00
EDUCATION FUND STATEMENT	Yr. to Date 1/31/10	Budget 09-10	Budget 2010-2011
Revenue			
Contributions-Education Fund	2,887.80	2,000.00	2,500.00
Contribution from Fundraising			
Contributions-In Kind			
Grant (For Add'l Forum Costs)			
From Reserve Fund		1,555.00	990
TOTAL REVENUE	2,887.80	3,555.99	3,490.00
EDUCATION FUND STATEMENT	Yr. to Date 1/31/10	Budget 09-10	Budget 2010-2011
Expenses			
Education Fund Projects			
Candidate Forums	791.91	400	600
Publications - (TRYs)		500	500
Studies		300	200
PMP LWVUS	1,461.70	1,455	1,390
Washington News Service	50	50	50
Meeting Expense	61.25	800	600
Archives Project	81.5	0	100
Voter Service		50	50
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,446.36	3,555	3,490