LWVIA 2020 Council Minutes

Saturday, June 6, 2020

Virtual Zoom Meeting

9:45 – 10:00 am CDT 37 members checked in to Zoom

10:00 am Defending Democracy Award presented to Jason Clayworth by Bonnie Pitz

10:10 am Remarks by Jason Clayworth

10:20 am Report on the 2020 Legislative Session by Amy Campbell, LWVIA Lobbyist

Amy Campbell described the Legislators return to Capitol as emotionally charged with an agenda more controversial than intended. LWVIA was updated on progress of Joint Resolution Bill, Bottle Bill, SF 2283, Ag-Gag Bill, Professional Licensing Bill, and HF2486 amendment.

10:31 am President’s Report from Terese Grant

* All 11 Local Leagues represented
* Virtual Council 2020
* Review of FY20 Activities – Local Leagues Rock, Issues Briefing, People Powered Fair Maps Grant, Capitol Day, **Kickoff to** Commemoration **of 19th Amendment,** promotion to extend the ERA deadline, Criminal Justice & Juvenile Correction Committee success with HJR14, Primary Election in which the Secretary of State sent out requests for Absentee Ballots, Promotion of Census, and self study of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) of the LWVIA .

10:39 am 2020-2021 Proposed Budget presented by Treasurer Linda Meloy

Polly Horton moved to approve the Budget as presented. Mary Ann Nelson seconded.

Motion passed on unanimous vote.

10:47 am Nominating Chairperson Bev Ver Steegh presented the slate for 2020-2022

Vice –President Nancy Halvorson

Treasurer Linda Meloy

Directors Nancy Porter and Jean McMenimen

Slate was accepted on unanimous vote.

10:50 am Two Proposals for Concurrence for the upcoming virtual 2020 LWVUS Convention, **Voter Representation/Election Systems** and **Transfer of Federal Public Lands,** were presented by Polly Horton. The LWVIA Board, in a majority vote, recommends that Iowa delegates to LWVUS Convention vote in favor of both positions.

10:54 am President Terese Grant called for an adjournment until 11:00 am.

11:00 am League Presidents presented highlights from their FY20

12:09 am Terese Grant recognized retiring Board member Gaylen Wobeter, the efforts of Myrna Loehrlein and the CJJC Committee, Doris Kelley for the 19th Amendment Commemoration, and Karen Person for her service as long-standing administrative Assistant. L.Meloy led the group in recognition of T.Grant for her leadership this year.

12:20 am Council adjourned

Polly Horton, Secretary