

**League of Women Voters of Thurston County (LWVTC)
Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**October 21, 2010, 6:00 pm
Apollo's Pizza & Pasta, 2010 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502**

- I. Attendance:** Clydia Cuykendall, President; Valerie Hammett, Vice President; Directors Dawn Brooks Gibbs, Jackie Kettman-Thomas, Cynthia Stewart, Allyson Brooks, and Pat Dickason; League member Peggy Bruton.
- II. Call to Order:** President Clydia Cuykendall called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- III. September Treasurer's Report:** Clydia Cuykendall introduced the Treasurer's report. There were no questions or objections; it was accepted as presented.
- IV. Co-Sponsorship of 11/10/10 Washington Coalition for Open Government Forum:** Clydia Cuykendall asked that the Board ratify the email decision to co-sponsor this Forum. Allyson Brooks requested that the League clearly state that some discussion of costs be included. It was noted that the League positions on which the co-sponsorship was based do not include costs as a factor. The co-sponsorship was ratified by the Board with the understanding that League members who attend may speak and raise issues of cost vs. benefits for public disclosure requirements.
- V. Local Government Study Consensus Positions:** Cynthia Stewart described the changes to the current LWVTC position on Thurston County government that were made at the October 7 consensus meeting regarding the recent governance study. Clydia Cuykendall explained that Board approval is part of the consensus process. The revised position was ratified by the Board as presented from the October 7 meeting.
- VI. Proposal to Comment on Thurston County Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) Updates:** This agenda item was moved to last in order for Peggy Bruton to participate in the discussion. Peggy described the recent public study session held by the County as a presentation of information including exhibits to illustrate what the CAO revision would accomplish, and a question-and-answer session. She noted that no specific ordinance has yet been drafted; the County wanted to use public comment to aid in preparing legislation. The CAO update required by State law is long overdue, having been expected in 2004. Hearings on a proposed ordinance will be scheduled for next month. There may be a joint Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners hearing on this topic. League members are working on this issue based on the adopted League positions on land use and forest land.
- VII. Public Relations and Membership Review:** Dawn Brooks gave a review of recent activities to generate new members and handed out a written public relations report describing distribution of fliers, TRYs, and brochures; sponsorship of information tables at various events; and League activities in fairs and parades. She noted that 15 new members joined in the last calendar year.
- VIII. Education Fund Luncheon Update:** Dawn Brooks and Valerie Hammett updated the Board on preparations for the fundraising luncheon on November 13. At present, 96 guests are anticipated.
- IX. Action Day and Day of Jubilation Updates:** Pat Dickason handed out a flier and described the upcoming Pink Tea on Sunday, November 7 and Day of Jubilation activities on November 8. These activities will be described fully on the calendar at the LWVTC web site.

X. Adjourn: Clydia adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

XI. Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2010, 6:00 p.m. at Apollo's.

Submitted by:

**Cynthia Stewart for
Karen Tvedt, Secretary**