Voter Services and Programs Subcommittee

June 17, 2020

<u>Attendees</u>: Kathryn Longfellow, Lory Lawson, Ed and Mary Ellen West, Patti Santangelo, Carol Sullivan, Andrea Doll, Kathy Reim, Barbara Robinson, Wende Sanderson

1. We started by reviewing our 2020 Programs which aren't related to Voter Services:

Mary Jane is still holding out hope that the showing of Courage in Corsets can happen in person August 22 from 6-9PM at Burlington Library. We'll decide for sure by our next meeting on .

- --Wende mentioned that the follow-on to our group study of the constitutional Amendments began this week. The new program is called Cultivating Civic Conversations (Katherine Murphy from Kittitas League is lead presenter). It alternates between study of the State LWV Civics text, "The State We're In: Washington" with study of podcasts and other materials that compliment the text.
- --La Conner Weekly News wants articles submitted by Skagit LWV—one for June, one for July, and then every week in August (four) related to the 19th Amendment ratification. If you are a writer, please contact Wende to help with these articles. Great way for our League to get more exposure!
- --The group agreed that the topic at our next General membership meeting (on July 11) relate to what we can do to Get Out The Vote. Possibly Discuss Thurston League's "Be A Voter" campaign—then decide on ideas for us to pursue in Skagit.
- 2. Kathy Reim reported on the MANY Voter Services activities underway
 - a. -- Candidates Forums for Primary.

The forums we'll be doing locally on our own (recorded by TV10 without public audience present, then recorded files will be published and re-broadcast widely:

District	Race	# Candidates	Primary Forum Date	Moderator
SKAGIT CO PUD COMMISSIONER DIST 1*	Commissioner 1	5	29-Jun-20	Don to moderate
Skagit Superior Court	Judge Position 3	3	30-Jun-20	Lory to moderate
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1	Commissioner District 1	3	6-Jul-20	Wende to moderate
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2	Commissioner District 2	3	6-Jul-20	Wende to moderate

Below are the forums we'll be doing in collaboration with Bellingham/Whatcom League (recorded by Whatcom/Bellingham's videographer without public audience, then files will be published and re-broadcast widely:

District	Race	# Candidates	Primary Forum Date	Moderator
Congressional District 1	U.S. Representative	7	7/9/2020	Whatcom/Bham League to supply
Congressional District 2	U.S. Representative	8	7/2/2020	Whatcom/Bham League to supply

For LD10, Island County is already underway with their forums scheduled for 7/22/2020, and we have decided to support their efforts by promoting theirs rather than scheduling a separate one

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Legislative District 10	State Representative Pos. 1	5	7/21/2020	Island Co is conducting, we are helping promote
Legislative District 10	State Representative Pos. 2	3	7/21/2020	Island Co is conducting, we are helping promote

- b. Recordings of forums will be available on our League website, Facebook page and YouTube channel, and links will be sent far and wide to give as many people as possible the opportunity to view them. Kathy is collecting a list (libraries, service clubs, college, Chambers, etc). If you have suggestions, please email those to Kathy.
- Kathy reported that she has submitted local questions to the Vote 411 Committee so our candidates will have 'beefier' more relevant topics when Vote 411 goes live (currently scheduled for July 10th).
 We will want to be sure to promote that voters take a look there as they are deciding how to cast their vote!
- d. Ed received an inquiry at our Website from Farmstrong Brewing who are interested in hosting Voter Registration at their business! Wende, Kathy and Ed will meet with the owners on Friday to discuss.
- 3. Carol reported that the movie "Slay The Dragon" about gerrymandering, will be shown by Fix Democracy Now on June 30th at 6PM. To get link, please email Carol.
- 4. Next Board meeting: July 1st, 1:00PM via zoom;
 Next Monthly League General Membership meeting: July 11th, 10:30AM via zoom;
 Next subcommittee meeting: be Aug 19th at 1:00 PM via zoom

Placeholders for 2021

- —Speak up Schools—working with Snohomish County)
- --WE Ignite for ½ 6 foot display table @ \$250-Feb 2021)