

## LWV of Marquette County MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2024, 6:15-6:23 p.m. Peter White Public Library, Community Room 217 N. Front St., Marquette, MI

Members in attendance: David Allen, Darlene Allen, Jim Breitenbach, Sandy Breitenbach, Pri Burnham, Barb Coleman, Richard Ekstrom, Linda Fleury, Jo Foley, Marge Forslin, Susan Holliday, Andrea Ingmire, Jane Jamsen, Rich Johnson, Janet Joswiak, Judy Kitchen, Madalyn Koval, Meredith Kulisheck, Peggy Lorinser, Sandy Meyskens, Joanna Mitchell, Marie Moisio, Carolyn Myers, Barb Owdziej, Jane Pajot, Laura Petrie, Karlyn Rapport, Laura Sabo, Jeanne Sekely, Susanne Smith, Nina van den Ende, Michelle Storms-VanHowe, Robert Van Howe, Christie Wagner, Johanna Worley, Ruth Ziel (36)

Guest: Joe Cavitt, Eleanor Dohrenwend, Richard Jamsen, Bill Joswiak, Elmer Moisio

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

- 1. **Welcome**: Convener Jo Foley welcomed everyone, especially new member Erin Anderson. She announced that the panel discussion will be livestreamed and video will be posted both to the LWVMC and PWPL YouTube channels.
- 2. **Land Acknowledgement:** Marge Forslin presented the land acknowledgement.
- 3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by Madalyn Koval, seconded by Sue Holliday, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 4. **Approval of minutes**: Motion made by Barb Owdziej, seconded by Marie Moisio, to approve the minutes of the general membership meeting of Feb. 7, 2024. Motion carried.
- 5. **Urgent Announcements**: The League of Women Voters' biennial National Convention will be held June 27-30, in Washington, D.C. Our local league is entitled to send three delegates. This is a hybrid convention, so delegates may attend in-person or participate from home via Zoom. We have one delegate now and are seeking two more delegates. The Board has agreed to pay the registration fee for up to 3 delegates. Any member may serve as a delegate. Training opportunities on the convention process and issues will be provided well in advance by both the state and national leagues. To learn more, contact David Allen <a href="mailto:pdavidallen2@icloud.com">pdavidallen2@icloud.com</a> or Pri Burnham <a href="mailto:primarileana">priburnham@gmail.com</a>.

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m. for the program:

LWVMC partners with PWPL in the Community Conversations series MediaSmart to present a Panel on Media Misinformation. Sandy Breitenbach moderated the discussion with panelists Andrew LaCombe, TV6 and Fox UP News Director; Nicole Walton, WNMU-FM News Director; and Walt Lindala, Network News Director, Media Brew Communications.

Next General Membership Meeting: Wed., April 3, 2024, 6:45-8:15 p.m. (6:30 social time)
Peter White Public Library, Studio 1 Lower Level, 217 N. Front St., Marquette, MI

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 10:00-Noon

Community Meeting Room at Baraga Place, 129 W. Baraga Ave., Marquette, MI All members welcome. To request an invite and agenda, email <a href="mailto:ifoley1950@gmail.com">ifoley1950@gmail.com</a>

Submitted by Joanna Mitchell, Secretary

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