



Program Report

The Annual Program Planning Meeting was held on January 31, 2024, from 10-noon, at St. John's Methodist Church.

The Purpose of the meeting was to: 1) Review and make recommendations on National and Local League Positions; 2) Propose 2024 State or Local studies; 3) Consider a request for support from LWVVT; 4) Consider a request for support from LWVWA; 5) Review and Complete LWVUS Program Survey

1. There were a few minor typos and formatting errors that were corrected, but no suggested changes to the substance of our Local League Positions.
2. We discussed proposed changes to LWVUS Positions from two other State Leagues that wanted our support. After some discussion, we decided the proposal from Vermont was not appropriate, so we voted not to support it. On the other hand, we felt the proposed Position from Washington State was very appropriate, and we voted to give that one our support. It was a proposal for the League to actively support credible local journalism. We'll see what happens at the National Convention this summer.
3. Jody Larson reported on the progress of the Community Healthcare Study. The Study Committee is focused on gathering background information and identifying key people to interview in order to better understand the current status of Community Healthcare and begin developing recommendations.
4. There were no new Study proposals submitted this year.
5. Marcy responded to the LWVUS Official Program Planning Survey on behalf of the LWVUSFC. The responses for specific sections were provided by Board Members.

Respectfully Submitted;

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