



The League of Women Voters of Portland

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INVITING YOU TO THE LWVPDX ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 12, 5:30 – 6:30 PM

April 2, 2020

Dear League Members,

Your Portland League is actively looking toward the future as we navigate the coronavirus crisis. Our Bylaws require us to plan for the coming year by holding an annual membership business meeting before May 31. We usually hold the business meeting as part of our **Local Convention**, when we also share social time, hear a speaker, celebrate accomplishments, and enjoy a dinner together. **But this year is not usual; we need to adapt to the current health emergency by holding our business meeting in a way that ensures the safety of our members.**

Therefore, we will hold the 2020 membership business meeting via Zoom video and telephone conferencing, so that members can meet virtually while staying at home. The meeting will be on Tuesday, May 12, starting at 5:30 pm. We expect it will last about an hour.

All LWVPDX members are invited to participate either by computer or by using landline or mobile telephones. **The essential business we must complete is to: elect a new Board, pass a budget (including member dues), and approve a League Program for the year ahead.** We hope to invite you to the more fun parts of our Local Convention later this year, when we can safely meet in person.

During this virtual meeting, most participants will be able to see each other, and everyone will be able to hear. Remote conferencing with your home computer or telephone will allow you to listen to reports, ask questions, hear the discussion, debate the motions, propose amendments, offer nominations from the floor, and cast your votes on our 2020-21 Board, Budget, and Program.

In this packet, you will find printed copies of the items requiring a vote of the membership:

- 2020 Nominating Committee Report
- Proposed 2020-21 LWVPDX Budget
- Proposed 2020-21 Board-Recommended Program

We are also including corrections and updates to your yellow 2020 Members & Leaders Directory. Please share the enclosed vote411.org flyer with a friend or post it near your home or in your building.

The quorum for this meeting is 38 current members, but we hope many more of you will join us. Participating in Zoom virtual meetings is fun and easy. Before the meeting, we will send Zoom instructions and offer you opportunities to practice. **Please RSVP by Sunday, May 3, by contacting our office: 503-228-1675 or info@lwvpdx.org.** Around May 4, we'll email or mail you a Zoom invitation and more details about the meeting. **In the meantime, please stay well and safe.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Kaye". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Debbie Kaye, LWVPDX President, and the LWVPDX Board of Directors