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No Kings Protest is scheduled today at multiple sites. We will wrap up in plenty of time for Board members to participate.

10:00 AM	Welcome & Call to Order, Changes/Additions to Agenda	Lyn Widmyer
	Approval of minutes  • Aug 9, 2025	
	<ul> <li>Co-Presidents' Reports</li> <li>Co-sponsored &amp; attended Get Out the Vote event with WV Future</li> <li>Posted interview with Judy: 5 Takeaways from 2025 WV Legislative Session</li> <li>Voter registration by nonpartisan groups restricted by USCIS         <ul> <li>U.S. Citizenship &amp; Immigration Services (USCIS) issued a policy change, Aug 2025, that bars nonpartisan, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) from registering newly naturalized citizens to vote at administrative naturalization ceremonies.</li> <li>LWVUS advises that restriction does not apply to those ceremonies occurring outside USCIS facilities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lyn Widmyer Judy Ball
	Treasurer's Report  • Treasurer's Report  • Updates:  • Volunteers to audit financials from 2023-2024  • League members to serve on the board of LWV  Trust.  • LWVUS is offering us a Lobby Corps Grant. They are interested in supporting LLAW efforts in "Appalachia."  The grant could be useful in defraying costs of FastDemocracy and Claude.Al Pro subscriptions.	Teresa Lyn/Judy
10:20 a.m.	New Business	
	Board approved LWVWV filing of amicus brief supporting WV Board of Education challenge to WV state legislature having final authority over rules & regulations.	Lyn Judy
	Approval of letter to Election Assistance Commission (EAC) opposing documentary proof of citizenship (DPOC) for voter registration.	Judy

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	<ul> <li>Approve sending letter echoing our support for Climate Alliance letter to EPA.</li> <li>They asked us to sign their letter, but they missed our email to be signatories.</li> <li>Should we send separate email to endorse their position?</li> </ul>	Lyn
	<ul> <li>Preparing for 2026 election season</li> <li>Partisan primaries &amp; nonpartisan elections in May, including WV Supreme Court (2 seats)</li> <li>May Primary will be first election after passage of HB 3016, requiring photo ID to vote.</li> </ul>	Autumn
	<ul> <li>Partnering with Delta Sigma Theta (EPAC) to promote importance of voting.</li> <li>Priority: voter turnout</li> <li>Postcards to be mailed</li> <li>LWVWV will co-sponsor webinar</li> </ul>	Lyn Judy
	<ul> <li>LLAW Getting ready for Jan 2026 Legislature</li> <li>Legislative Priorities have not been modified since 2024. Should they be modified for 2026?</li> <li>Testing Claude AI platform for potential help with some of the heavy lifting in manual bill review.</li> <li>Claude is excellent at translating bills into LWVWV positions.</li> <li>Claude is less excellent at filtering bills into 4 priority buckets. Resource constraints.</li> <li>Reserve a table at the Legislature for the 2026 session? Legislature convenes Jan 12, 2026. Available dates to choose from:         <ul> <li>2/13 Lower Rotunda</li> <li>2/27 Lower Rotunda</li> <li>3/5 Lower Rotunda</li> <li>3/11 Lower Rotunda</li> <li>3/11 Lower Rotunda</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Judy
	<ul> <li>Highlights of LWVUS Leaders' meetings</li> <li>Check your emails for summary of info highlighted in each month's leaders' meeting.</li> <li>Subscribe to biweekly LWVUS newsletter, if you don't already get it.</li> </ul>	Judy
11:20 a.m.	Unfinished Business	
	Fill vacancies on state Board	Lyn
	Local League Reports	
	Huntington Area	
	<ul> <li>Jefferson County</li> <li>Will be joining Delta Sigma Theta to register new citizens at naturalization ceremony in Oct.</li> <li>Registered voters at African-American Cultural Heritage event (attracted folks with voting jars asking for their favorite social media site)</li> </ul>	Lyn

	<ul> <li>Marched in Constitution Day Parade in Shepherdstown</li> </ul>	
•	Morgantown-Monongalia County  • Four successful community conversations, co-sponsored with Mountain State Spotlight, in	Judy
	Morgantown & Preston Counties.  • From Morgantown to Kingwood, residents	
	want more housing, health care and internet (MSS, Tre Spencer and Kathambari Ramkumar, Aug 17)	
	Substack update. 110 subscribers as of Oct 14.     LWVMorgantown.substack.com	
	<ul> <li>No Kings protest in Morgantown, Oct 18.</li> <li>LWVMM will have a table with free paperclips for everyone!</li> <li>Several LWVMM members are marching with LWV banner.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>WVU has expressed concern that paperclip project is "too partisan." We are pushing back preserving democracy is not partisan.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Two sessions at Morgantown Public Library for National Voter Registration Day. Photos:</li> <li>IMG_20250917_142032.jpg</li> <li>IMG_20250917_142040.jpg</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Updated flyers for voter events:</li> <li>Voter Registration Event</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Student Voters</li> <li>Photo ID</li> <li>Absentee Ballots</li> </ul>	

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Next Meetings/Events:		