**LWV Upper Mississippi River Region ILO**

**Governing Board Meeting (virtual)**

**10:00 am - NOON, Monday, February 7, 2022**

**Board Officers**

**Chair** Mary Ellen Miller (IA-Metro Des Moines)

**Co-Vice-Chairs** Nancy-Porter (IA-Johnson County) & Shawn Stacey-Choinard (IL-Rockford)

**Secretary** Tamara Prenosil (IA-Dubuque)

**Treasurer** Jeri McGinley (WI-Stevens Point)

**Past Chairs** Mary & Steve Ploeser (WI-Dane County)

**Communications Director** Gretchen Sabel (MN-ABC)

**Committee Chairs**

**Action:** Lonnie McCauley (MN-ABC)

**Nominating:** Rosemary Heilemann (IL-Buffalo Grove)

**State Appointed Board Members**

**Iowa**: Sue Wilson – (IA – Dubuque)

**Illinois:** Lee Ekstrom - (MN - McHenry County)

**Minnesota:** Kay Slama – (MN-Willmar)

**Wisconsin:** Carolyn Mahlum-Jenkins- (WI – La Crosse)

**State Appointed Board Alternates**

**Iowa:** Paul Schultz (IA – Dubuque)

**Illinois:** Paula Ekstrom (IL-McHenry County)

**Minnesota:** Lonnie McCauley (MN-ABC)

**Wisconsin:** Nancy Hill (WI – La Crosse)

**Connect to Zoom Meeting  
Topic: LWV UMRR Board Meeting - Business Session**  
Time: February 7, 2022 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)  
  
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84397851101?pwd=TDA0bTRSaU9NcE9IRW9HMHRIQWdwUT09>

Meeting ID: 843 9785 1101

Passcode: 018334

)Phone in on: 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

**MEETING AGENDA**

10:00 am Call to Order

Board Check-In/Updates Miller

10:20 am Minutes from December 6, 2021 Prenosil

10:22 am Finance report: Balance Sheet McGinley

Budget vs Actuals

Revenues/Expenses

Dues Notices Update

10:27 am Need nominations for Treasurer

10:30 am Request from Jo Davies League

10:45 am Update on Action Committee status moving forward

10:55 am Website Updates: Board Names/State Listed under “About Us” Updates with our four state Leagues

IA : Wilson

IL : Lee Ekstrom/Paula Ekstrom

MN: Slama/McCauley

WI : Mahlum-Jenkins/Hill

11:05 am **2021** **Program Schedule:**

August 2, 1:00 pm (virtual) Sustainable Dubuque (Tam)

October 4, 6 – 7:30 pm (virtual) Wisconsin Work on PFAS (Jeri)

(Metro Des Moines League program November 15th)

December 6, 1:00 pm (virtual) How Federal Farm Policy Ended Up Polluting our Waters and Creating the Dead Zone in the Gulf of Mexico, Alan Guebert (Mary Ellen)

February 7, 6:30 pm En-Roads Climate Change Simulator,

Jackie Armstrong (Mary Ellen)

April 4: Possible panel on water sustainability in our four states:

* Exploring what is happening to aquifers. Some cities are switching from ground water to surface water which impacts streams and lakes.
* How are climate change and human activities impacting a drop in water levels?
* How is irrigation impacting water quantity for both surface and ground water?
* Water 101 -Where do our communities get our water from? (ground or surface)
* Speaker about the failure of voluntary actions to improve water quality and the need for legal guides

May 21: Annual Meeting – possibly Great Lakes Compact/MRRRI update

Guest Speaker??? In person vs virtual???

June 23-26 LWV UW Convention, Denver, CO & online

Do we want to be represented at the LWV US 2022 June convention?

Date is June 23-26, Sheraton Downtown, Denver, CO

Virtual? In person? Do we exhibit? Present a program?

How are we doing with our four state League communications Are we on each state League annual meeting agenda?

Do we exhibit at each state League meeting?

Do we have UMRR updates in state League Voters?

Are we filling our pipeline for future UMRR board members?

Other Business: Security for our Programs

Noon Adjourn