

**League of Women Voters of Wisconsin Education Network
Annual Meeting, June 11, 2011
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater**

PROPOSED BOARD SLATE 2011-2012

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- *Recommended by Nominating Committee (Ruth Kalms, chair, Member-at-Large; Rebecca Dougherty, LWV Stevens Point Area; Joyce McCollum, LWV Greater Green Bay and State Board)*
- *Accepted by State Board 03/26/2011, amended by email vote 04/19/2011*

The Nominating Committee's responsibility was to nominate:

- 2 officers (President and Secretary)
- 3 directors
- 2 non-board members for the Nominating Committee

Two Officers

- President – Melanie Ramey, LWV Dane County
- Secretary – Julie Arneth, LWV Greater Green Bay

Three Directors

- Ethel Himmel, LWV Janesville
- Pamela Rewey, LWV Dane County
- Joyce McCollum, LWV Greater Green Bay

Two members of Nominating Committee

- Marilyn Boeldt, LWV Milwaukee County, Committee Chair
- Nancy Hill, LWV La Crosse Area

OTHER INFORMATION

Continuing Officers

- Vice President, Debra Cronmiller, LWV Appleton
- Treasurer, Ellen Rosborough, LWV La Crosse Area

Continuing Directors

- Laura Boettcher, LWV Janesville
- Patricia Finder-Stone, LWV Greater Green Bay
- Linda Jorgenson, LWV Ashland-Bayfield Counties

In addition, Louise Petering (Milwaukee County) has indicated she would serve as an appointed state board member.

Julie Arneith was LWVWI president from 2001-05. Prior to that, she served on the state board. She was re-elected to a one-year term on the state board in 2006 to fill a vacancy. She is presently secretary to the LWVWI and the LWV Greater Green Bay boards. She has served as president and voter service chair for LWV Greater Green Bay. A retired secondary educator, Julie teaches classes in English as a Second Language to Hispanic students at the Literacy Council of Brown County and works as a substitute teacher in the Green Bay Public School District. She is president of the Green Bay Substitute Teachers Association.

Marilyn Boeldt served on the state board from 2004-2008. Previously, Marilyn served as president of the LWV-Milwaukee County. She co-chaired the 2007 Voters' Rights Study and also serves on the Development Committee. Back home in Milwaukee, Marilyn is Director of Development and Communication for Adoption Resources of Wisconsin. She and her husband, John, have three children and five grandchildren.

Nancy Fulkerson Hill is originally from Washington State, graduating in French from Eastern Washington. She attended library school at U of Minnesota and received an MA in counseling from Winona State. She taught French and English and was a school librarian. She was president of La Crosse Area League from 2007-2011. She and her husband live in La Crosse.

Ethel Himmel served as the President of the Janesville League from 2003 to 2007 after having served several years as a board member. She was elected to the state board in 2009. She is the principal partner in Himmel & Wilson, a library consulting firm that does service evaluation and various types of planning with libraries across the U.S. Her bachelor's degree was in political science at the University of Illinois and her master's and Ph.D. are in library science from the University of Wisconsin Madison. She serves on the Milton Community Development Authority and on the Advisory Council for the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin Madison. For several years she has facilitated a monthly mystery book discussion group at the Milton Public Library.

Joyce McCollum, RN, BSN, MS, PN is a graduate of Madison General Hospital School of Nursing. She earned her BS in Nursing from UW-Madison as well as a Master's Degree in Education. Her primary area of nursing practice was psychiatric nursing. She taught psychiatric nursing at Mendota Mental Health Institute in Madison. Most of her career has been in nursing education at the Bellin nursing program in Green Bay. She was one of the leaders who participated in the transformation of the nursing program from a diploma program to a BSN program in the 1980's. She was the leader of the nursing program for 16 years. After retiring from the President's position in 2004, she led a project to transform the practice environment for nursing staff. Joyce volunteers for several organizations including the League of Women Voters. She is serving her fourth term as president of the League of Women Voters of Greater Green Bay, and she has served as an appointed member of the state League Board since 2009. She has been active in Voter Services work for the Greater Green Bay League and has moderated several forums as well as working all the roles for these events.

Melanie Ramey is Executive Director of HOPE (Hospice Organization and Palliative Experts) of Wisconsin. She has served on the state League Board for 16 years, the last six as President. She has been an active member of the Dane County League for many years and spent three years hosting their biweekly public affairs program in collaboration with City Channel 12. Melanie holds BA, MSW and JD degrees. She is a leader of the Madison Downtown Rotary, a Board member of the United Methodist Foundation, the Community Health Charities of WI, represented the League on the Board of Governors of the Madison Community Foundation and the Public Trust and Confidence Committee of the State Bar of Wisconsin.

Pamela Rewey served as President of the LWV of Dane County from 2007-09 and prior to that served on the LWV of Dane County board of directors. She has been a league member since 1971 and has served on the state board and Legislative Committee since 2009. Pam served as President of the LWV Stevens Point from 1975 to her resignation in 1977 to run for office. Pam was elected to the school board (with league encouragement) in Stevens Point in 1978 and served for 10 years on the board, including five as board president, before moving to Madison. Her career included high school teacher, YMCA director, communications consultant and the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB). She retired from WASB in 2007 after working there for almost 20 years. Pam is also active in the Madison East-Monona Rotary Club. She and her husband, Mike, raised four children, had several high school exchange students, and have three grandchildren.