LWV Upper Mississippi River Region ILO
Governing Board Meeting (virtual)
10:00 – 11:00 am, Monday, December 5, 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** Catherine Franczyk (IL- ???)
**Past Chairs** Mary & Steve Ploeser (WI-Dane County)
**Communications Director** Gretchen Sabel (MN-ABC)

**Committee Chairs**
**Action:** Kay Slama (MN-Willmar)
**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)

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**MEETING AGENDA**

10:00 am Call to Order/Board Check-In

10:20 am Minutes from October 3, 2022

10:22 am Finance reports: Balance Sheet
- Budget vs Actuals
- Revenues/Expenses
- Membership Dues status (two new Iowa units)

10:28 am Update on Action Committee status
- Meets monthly on 4th Monday, 4:00 pm
- Clean Water For All collaboration
- LWVUS agreement update

10:48 am General Updates
- MRN
- Iowa Big Ideas Conference – Mississippi Track
- IA Learning Farm “Water Quality Trends on the Upper MS River”
- Lauren Savato, UMRBA Policy & Programs Director
  (mem will forward Nov. 30 recording to all)
Iowa CO2 Pipeline status report
Bill Crews, Upper MS River Basin Commission history (annual meeting?)
June Planning Retreat status report

10:57 am  **2022-23 Proposed Program Schedule:**
August 1, MRN webinar on 2023 Farm Bill via UTube  ZOOM Discussion
October 3, CO2 Pipelines IA Sierra Club  6:00 pm  Miller
December 5, SMRT  Mahlum-Jenkins
February 6, Agency: how to comment on federal legislation  Prenosil
April 3, Ground Water/Aquifer Geology/Bloody Run  Miller
May ??, Annual Meeting
June ??, planning retreat

10:58 am  Other Business
10:59 am  Next board meeting February 6 (virtual)
11:00 am  Adjourn  HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!!

**Connect to Zoom Meeting**
**Topic:** LWV UMRR Board Meeting - Business Session
**Time:** December 5, 2022  10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

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