

**Kalamazoo Parliamentary Law Unit  
Meeting Minutes**

**November 7, 2020**

President Barbara Hemphill called the electronic meeting on Zoom of the Kalamazoo Parliamentary Law Unit to order at 9:15 am on Saturday, November 7, 2020.

President Hemphill appointed Julie Pioch as recording Secretary pro-tem in the absence of Nancy Fody. Members present were Richard Atwell, Patricia Dolan, Barbara Hemphill, Laurie Marshall, Julie Pioch, Todd Ellis, Betty Weston, and Betty Ongley, Sheila Coulibaly. A quorum was present.

President Hemphill led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of September 24, 2020 were approved as corrected.

**Officer Reports**

President's Report: No Report.

Secretary's Report: No Report.

Treasurer's Report: An electronic report was sent to members. There has been no activity since last meeting. Membership dues are \$10 and checks can be sent to Treasurer Hammond at 6045 Cypress St., Portage 49024.

**Standing Committee Reports**

Audit Report: No Report. The Audit report is due in February.

Bylaws: Bylaws Co-Chair Marshall sent a draft of the proposed bylaw amendment related to electronics meetings to the membership via email. Before making a motion, members reviewed the proposed amendment and discussed the location of where the amendment should be placed in the bylaws and discussed precise wording.

Motion made by Barb Davis to amend the KPLU Bylaws by inserting Article X. Electronic Meetings. All KPLU meetings are authorized to meet by telephone conference or through other electronic communications media so long as all the participants may simultaneously hear each other and participate in the meeting.

Motion adopted as amended.

**Education:** Laurie Marshall presented on behalf of the education committee a plan for an education program entitled Leadership Education which included three sets of webinars each in a four-part series to be offered weekly in January 2021 and February 2021 respectively. This plan was emailed to all members. Member Marshall is asking for authorization to add KPLU's name to this program. And, if authorized as a program of our organization asking for assistance from members.

Marshall moved that the KPLU support the leadership education plan as presented for winter 2020 – 21. Motion adopted.

**Library:** Barb Davis reminded the group that there is a KPLU library.

**Membership:** No report.

**Nominating:** President Hemphill read the 2021 slate in the absence of Chair Betty Lee Ongley.

President: Laurie Marshall

Secretary: Nancy Fody

Treasurer: Allison Hammond

As Member Marshall will not be able to finish her 2020-2022 term on the nominating committee, Member Richard Atwell was nominated to finish her term. Member Atwell will be Chair of the committee. He will be eligible to serve again. Member Todd Ellis was nominated for the 2-year term from 2021-2023.

**Yearbook:** Betty Weston volunteered to organize the annual yearbook.

**Election of Officers:** It was moved by Davis to elect the slate of officers as follows:

President: Laurie Marshall

Secretary: Nancy Fody

Treasurer: Allison Hammond

Nominating committee (Expires Nov, 2021): Richard Atwell, Chair

Nominating committee (Expires Nov, 2023): Todd Ellis

Motion was adopted

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** KPLU will continue to meet via Zoom until further notice and at Peoples Church as soon as face to face meetings resume. We paid in advance for using the room at People's Church and therefore have a credit for three meetings. Barb will communicate with People's Church to reserve the meeting dates as follows:

Meeting Dates for 2021

Thursday February 18, 2021

Saturday May 15, 2021

Thursday September 16, 2021

Saturday November 6, 2021

All meetings will have 9:00 Social time, 9:15 Call to Order

**Announcements and Information:**

2021 MSAP Winter Quarterly Meeting Saturday, January 16, 2021 (Zoom)

2021 MSAP Spring Quarterly Meeting hosted by LSPU April 9, 2021

2021 MSAP Annual Meeting April 10, 2021

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.

Julie Pioch, Secretary Pro-tem