

League of Women Voters of Hillsborough & Pasco Counties

Nominating Committee-Annual Report to the Board

May, 2026

The Committee prepared a slate of candidates for elected leadership positions to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting to be held on June 13th, 2026. The slate was presented to the Board at its monthly meeting on May 7, 2026 and will be sent to all members one month before Annual Meeting on May 13, 2026 to conform with Bylaws requirements.

Background:

Our elections are governed by our Bylaws. Some elected positions are designated in the Bylaws as being for one-year terms and some for two-year terms.

Terms of office:

Position / Office	Term length	Year
President or Co-President	1 Year	n/a
President Elect	1 Year	n/a
Vice President	2 Years	Even years
Treasurer	2 Years	
Recording Secretary	2 Years	Odd years
Directors (6) - elected	2 Years	3 in even years, 3 in odd years
Director - appointed	1 year	n/a
Nominating Committee Chair and Members	1 year	n/a

An early departure from a position may disrupt this odd and even system and may require an election in a year when an election for that position might not ordinarily be held. Additionally, an early departure by an elected Director may require an election when one would not ordinarily be held for that Director position. While most Board positions are elected by the membership, the Board also has the ability to appoint up to six additional Directors. While three Nominating Committee members, including the Chair, are elected, two others are appointed by the Board after the Annual Meeting and those two members must be Board members. The elected Nominating Committee members may not be on the Board. Vacant positions may also be filled by appointment if necessary. All appointed positions end at the next Annual Meeting.

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate for 2026-2027:

Officer Slate

- Co-President Teresa Potter - Term expires 2027
- Co-President Diana Pecha - Term expires 2027
- President-Elect Vacant
- Vice President Laurie Winkles - Term expires 2028
- Recording Secretary Ami Marie Granger Welch - Term expires 2027 [filling final year of 2-year term due to vacancy]
- Treasurer Johanne Castagan – Term expires 2028

Director Slate

- Director Marissa Dewdney - Term expires 2028
- Director Lauren Foley - Term expires 2028
- Director Emily Hinsdale - Term expires 2028
- Director Deana Turnipseed - Term expires 2027 [filling final year of Ami Marie Granger Welch's 2-year term as she assumes the office of Recording Secretary]

Directors Remaining on the Board

- Director Sally Wilson Term expires 2027
- Director Ida Campbell Term expires 2027

Nominating Committee

- Norín Dollard, Chair - Term expires 2028
- Tim Burke - Term expires 2028
- Angela Birdsong - Term expires 2028
- Ami Marie Granger Welch - Term expires 2028
- Ida Williams Campbell - Term expires 2028

Officers, Directors and Nominating Committee members will be sworn in at the Annual Meeting. Directors attend regularly held Board meetings. They are also asked to chair an action team or take on another similar task.

For 2026-2027 year, the Nominating Committee is going to meet regularly. The focus of the group's work will be to increase the diversity of the Board, and the league more generally, and to develop a plan to build a strong leadership base.

We look forward to another productive year. Thanks to the Nominating Committee members

Respectfully submitted,

Norín Dollard, Chair