**LWVSJ Observer Corps\* Notes: SJI School Board, December 14, 2022**

The Board elected **Sarah Werling Sandwith as the Chair for 2023**, Barbara Bevens as the Vice Chair and re-elected T.J. Heller as the legislative liaison.

**ASB Report:** The student rep reported the **Winter Dance** would be January 6. They had a door decorating contest and Friday would be traditional Wear your P.J.s Day

**Superintendent’s Report:** Faith Knight will be replacing Cynthia McVeigh as the new HR person. The school is still experiencing **high levels of flu and colds, but down from the peak.** The Washington **School Districts** Association WSDA Conference and **meetings with state representatives will be February 26-27. Legislative priorities** are fully funding **Special Education and Safety Net Programs**. One is issue- SJI wants regionalization revised to work correctly but it appears WSDA may lobby for a flat structure. The need to clarify positions on this.

Enrollment overall remains on target with a few losses in elementary and gains in high school. The state will use January enrollment as the snapshot for final funding. The 6% increase in Opalco rates and 5% increase in Town of Friday Harbor water rates will put pressure on the **utilities expenses.**

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