

Tuesday Topics Summary

June 7, 2022

President Carole Jordan opened the June 7 Tuesday Topics with several announcements. We will be back to in-person meetings at the library in September. Susan Sullivan, Washburn University professor, will speak about women's rights. President Jordan reviewed the LWV position on gun violence. A social meeting will be held at Judy Moler's home on Tuesday 21, 2022, from 5:30-7:30. Board members and new members will be introduced.

Following announcements, President Jordan introduced our speaker, Lissa Staley, Community Connections Librarian at the Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library. Her work includes leading the Topeka Project to Encourage Deliberative Conversations. Lissa described the project as a collaborative effort between the library and the Kettering Foundation. The national issue is How Do We Make Democracy Work As It Should? The deliberative conversation that was the topic of the Tuesday Topics was **Reframing Topeka – How Can We Improve Topeka?**

During the meeting we discussed several local issues as we went through the following steps of a deliberative conversation:

- Introduce the ground rules
- Connect to the issue
- Consider each option (What's attractive? What are drawbacks?)
- Review and reflect on the conversation