# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR

# January Board Meeting

DATE AND TIME: January 17, 1968. Wednesday. 12:L5 PM
PLACE: Home of Mrs. Jack McGauph (Lea Ann). 1801 West Main Street

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# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR Decatur, Illinois

#### January 18, 1968

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jack McGaugh, 1801 W. Main Street, with Mrs. W.H. Tilley presiding.

PRESENT: Mesdames Tilley. Hurst, Protzman, Jurgens Hamilton. Butler, Dakin Noman, Crow, Calhoun, McGaugh, Schade Green, Mee. Landholt, and Barber.

ABSENT: Mesdames Axon, Miller, and Harris

MINUTES: Approved as mailed with the following correction: change "2000" copies of the booklet...." to read "1200 copies" on page 2, line 8, under PUBLICATIONS.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cash on hand on December 14, 1967: \$191.99. Receipts: \$47.64. Disbursements: \$35.18. Cash on hand January 18, 1968: \$204.45. Savings account January 18, 1968: \$783.11. A \$1000.00 savings certificate at 5% interest has been purchased.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The following persons have been appointed to the budget committee by the president: Mesdames Mann, chairman, Jurgens. Charlene Johnson, Young. Protzman, and Tilley. They will meet on January 25th. Suggestions by board members for the 1968-69 budget were solicited. The following suggestions were made: 1) That the president appoint an assistant treasurer for a year's term to assist the treasurer and to learn the bookeeping system. 2) That each study committee have a set amount of money that they could draw from without special authorization from the board each time some small expense must be incurred. 3) That the finance drive goal be listed as a "net" figure. 4) That subscription service and publications funds be separated.

The nominating committee has met and will present their slate of candidates at the next board meeting.

Suggestions for possible local program items were solicited. These will be considered at a forthcoming board meeting.

It was decided that the annual meeting, to be held on March 13, 1968, should be a luncheon meeting. Mrs. Axon will make the arrangements.

PROGRAM AND ACTION: Mrs. Protzman reported that the various study committees are meeting and functioning according to their individual plans.

Human Resources and Civil Rights and Liberties: These committees are meeting and active

Decatur Public Schools: This committe will present the January 23 and 24th unit meetings. A proposed "Fact Sheet" was presented to the board for appoval. There was some discussion about the inclusion of a chart which showed the actual tax increases for property of various assessed evaluations. The board voted in favor of keeping the chart in the "Fact Sheet," and agreed that 500 copies should be printed in time for the unit meetings.

The following concensus guestion was approved by the board for vote by the membership at the unit meetings: "Would the Decatur schools benefit by having elections for Board of Education members every other year instead of every year with terms of 6 years instead of 3 years?" (This change is now permitted by state law.)

It was announced that the Decatur League is cooperating with an ad hoc citizens committee named "Vote yes for your children." This committee was formed to promote the passage of a school tax referendum that will be voted upon on February 14, 1968. League members will be asked to contact organizations for volunteers to assist as "poll watchers" and drivers on election day.

#### PROGRAM AND ACTION con t:

Constitutional Convention Committee: Chr. Landholt solicited speaking engagements, brief or lengthy, for members of the committee to present the need for a new constitution in Illinois. Board members were asked to contact their personal organizations to ask for speaking "spots."

China and U.S. Foreign Policy: The committee is meeting and will present their study at the February 13 and 14th unit meetings.

Local Government: Chr. Dakin reported that the committee has just formed and that it includes several new members. Kits have been ordered and evening meetings are planned for the 2nd and bth Thursdays of each month. A letter was read from Mrs. Carl H. Stahl inwhich she offered to assist the study in any way possible.

ANNUAL REPORTS: Annual report forms from the national office were distributed by Pres. Tilley to those board members from whom they are requested. These must be returned to the president by February 15, 1968.

FUBLICATIONS: Mrs. Butler reported that an ad hoc committee has been formed for the purpose of selling the "This is Macon County booklet." Mrs. Butler moved that the following pamphlets be sent to those on subscription service: "Jobs and Hard Cash," "Mainland China Under Communist Rule," and "The Migrant Worker." Seconded and Passed.

FUBLICITY: Mrs. Barber asked for suggestions regarding the kinds of information that should be used in publicity. including the best methods of disseminating such information.c Suggestions were made to investigate the possibility of a regular "League Editorial" in the local newspaper or on the radio stations. It would provide a means of public presentation of the information gathered in local, state and national League studies. Utilization of the Con-Con speakers was also suggested.

MEMBERSHIP: Mrs. Ruth Schade was commended for her outstanding work in recruitment of new members. Twenty-six new members have joined the Decatur League to this date during this fiscal year.

DECATUR VOTER: The deadline for material for the February Voter is January 25, 1968.

NEXT MEETING: The next board meeting will be on January 31. 1968, Wednesday, at 12:45 PM, at the home of Mrs. Jack McGaugh. 1801 West Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

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| B. Plans for Junuary 29 and Fe      | bruary Unit Meetings                    |             |
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