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Article X, Sec. 3. After Council, add "under the provisions of the by-laws of the League of Women Voters of Illinois."

Article XII, Sec. 1. Delete "month" and substitute "week."

Mrs. Gerald Redford moved the by-law changes be accepted, Mrs. Miller seconded the motion, and it CARRIED.

Mrs. Hurst turned the meeting over to the First Vice President, Mrs. Redford.

Nominating Committee Report: The committee members for 1964-65 were Mrs. L. B. Ritter, chairman, Mrs. Henry Bachrach, Mrs. C. Bridgman, Mrs. Hilmer Landholt, Mrs. Richard Ruedi. Mrs. Ritter presented the following slate of officers: Mrs. Thomas Hurst, president, 1965-66; Mrs. Morton Becker, 1st vice president, 1965-66; Mrs. Paul Turner, secretary, 1965-67; Mrs. Harold Tenney, Mrs. Eugene Blanchard, Mrs. George Limerick, directors, 1965-67; Nominating Committee for 1965-66: Mrs. James Manuell, chairman, Mrs. Dwight Nelson and Mrs. L. L. Colvis. There were no further nominations. Mrs. Gerald Cox moved that the secretary cast the vote of the assembled members for the nominees presented. Mrs. Clifford Smith seconded the motion and it was CARRIED. The new officers present were introduced.

Mrs. Mills moved the Annual Meeting be adjourned until May. Mrs. L. L. Colvis seconded the motion and it CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Urban Renewal Committee reported after the Annual Meeting adjourned.

Units Coordinator: Mrs. Ritter gave attendance figures for the four unit meetings held each month, and there was a discussion of the matter of dropping one of the units. The unit added most recently, South Shores which meets Wednesday evening, is doing quite well; the Tuesday morning unit with baby-sitter service has had to be subsidized for the sitters. The board decided to continue having the four meetings for the balance of this year, or at least through March.

Human Resources: Mrs. Dilley reported on the meeting in Chicago on February 10, which Barbara Redford and Barbara Tilley also attended. She will prepare an outline of material the committee will present to the membership in April at the unit meetings. The LWV has been asked to send a representative, to attend as an individual however, to meetings of the Community Action Committee, which is Mayor Arnold's committee on the anti-poverty program. Mrs. Ruedi moved that the board authorize Mrs. Dilley to find such a representative, possibly a member of her committee. The motion was seconded and CARRIED.

National Item on Reapportionment: Mrs. Hurst said the State League wished to know if local leagues would favor an emergency item for the national agenda on the apportionment of state legislatures and Congress. Mrs. Redford moved we recommend approval of such a study. The motion was seconded and CARRIED.

Legislative School at State Capitol: The bulletin will carry information. Tuesday, March 16, will be the day we will make arrangements to go since we have meetings on the other Tuesdays it is scheduled.

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SPECIAL MEETING, MARCH 9, 1965
URBAN RENEWAL CONSENSUS

The meeting was held at Swartz' Restaurant, immediately following the presentation of the Urban Renewal Committee, with Mrs. Hurst presiding.

Present: Mrs. Carroll Smith, Clifford Smith, Hurst, Westenhaver, Redford, Fuller, Dilley, Ruedi, Ritter, Meyerson.

Mrs. Hurst asked if a letter-to-the-editor should be written by the school committee to clarify the scope of responsibility of the superintendent of schools, and of the school board. Mrs. Meyerson moved that such a letter be written, the motion was seconded and CARRIED.

Mrs. Hurst said the council-manager committee needed funds for voters service leaflets and flyers. Mrs. Redford moved the committee be allowed to spend up to \$200. The motion was seconded and CARRIED. They will plan to hold a public meeting before the referendum.

Consensus reached on the three types of urban renewal being used in Decatur was discussed, and a statement outlining our position was prepared for release to the news media.

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