

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR

BOARD MEETING, NOVEMBER 18, 1986

12 Dakota Drive, 7:30 p.m.

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Call to Order

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
October 14, 1986

The meeting was called to order by Agnita Dupree at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Marg Coberly.

PRESENT: Sally Lanta, Agnita Dupree, Milli Protzman, Marg Coberly, Dee Meyerson, Laura Verbanac, Lee Staley.

Absent: Lucille Crow, Lauri Thornton, Barbara Brown, Betty Melville.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of September 16, 1986, were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Dee Meyerson reported for Barb Brown.

Cash on Hand 4-1-86	\$1,594.70
Total Receipts	900.08
Total Expenditures	1,233.44
Cash on Hand 10-14-86	\$1,261.34

Barb had prepared a year-to-date budget report, which was distributed to board members. Twenty members have paid dues. Barb asked for approval to pay the remaining \$267 of our national League per-member payment. The board approved.

Membership books should be sent after the meeting on October 21 to all members who have not picked them up at meetings. Dues notices will be included for the members who have not yet paid their dues.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

There will be a "Pay Equity Conference" at Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills on October 18. There is a registration fee of \$5.

Agnita asked if a letter to the editor regarding the Constitutional Amendment changing the bail bond laws would be appropriate. The board felt that it would be, and would be timely. During discussion, other issues which might serve as the basis for letters were suggested by the board.

Agnita said that she had received a request from the Libertyville League for a copy of our local water study report. Carol Campbell did have copies made of the committee report and one will be sent.

REPORTS: Program. Milli Protzman said that the film she had hoped to have for the UN Potluck Luncheon will not be available. She has asked Jane Angus to talk about visits made to South Africa with church groups. Jane's husband is the minister at Westminster Presbyterian Church. The potluck will be held at Milli's home. Board members should bring an international dish.

National League committees have met and have made plans for conducting the two new studies: Agriculture, and Meeting Basic Human Needs. The Agriculture committee has identified key issues and prepared a study outline. The issues studied will be: defining a farm; growing and producing; marketing and distribution; conflicting goals of current federal policy; politics of agriculture; impact of macroeconomic policies. The deadline for consensus will be June 8, 1988.

The Basic Human Needs study will cover income levels, food, shelter, and access to health care to answer the questions: who needs help, and what should be done by the Federal government, and what by the private sector? The September/October National Voter will contain an overview on the subject. Local Leagues will be asked to do Community Profiles, which will be due in the national office in March, 1987.

Dr. Donald Wachter, Associate Superintendent of Schools, will speak on October 21 on the new school report cards - Illinois' new approach to the evaluation of schools and students. On November 11, Sue Marshall's Education Committee will present the results of their study for consensus. The consensus questions will be included in the November Voter.

Action. Sally Lantz reported that she had written to Senators Dixon and Simon and Representatives Durbin and Michel expressing our positions on arms control. In some cases, thanking them for their votes. She had received acknowledgments from all of them. It was suggested that arms control might be a topic for a letter to the editor of the Herald and Review.

Agnita had spoken to Mr. Seidl of the Decatur Public Library about the National Security Booklist project. He said that the library has most of the books listed, and that they will be willing to prepare an annotated bibliography to use with a special display of the books. He is interested in holding a public forum on the subject in the Spring of 1987.

Voters Service. Laura Verbanac reported that questionnaires had been sent to the local candidates in the November election by Barbara Ohlsen. Their answers are coming in now and they will be compiled and copied for distribution in the Decatur Library. We will make some copies for distribution to the Senior Citizens Centers. They should be available 10 days before the election.

Membership. Lee Staley reported that she had been able to contact most of the prospective members on the Voter mailing list. She has encouraged them to attend upcoming meetings.

Rummage sale. Final plans were made for the Rummage Sale on October 25 and 27.

Voter deadline is October 24.

Next board meeting: November 18, at Laura Verbanac's, 12 Dakota Drive.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Dee Meyerson, Secretary