

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

BOARD MEETING

DATE & TIME: Friday, May 14, 1971 9:15 A.M.

PLACE : Home of Mrs. J. Wm. Coberly, 445 N. 35th

AGENDA

MINUTES.....Coberly
TREASURERS REPORT.....Butler
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Ohlson
NEW BUSINESS.....Ohlson
REPORTS.....
PROGRAM & ACTION.....Weinman
PUBLIC RELATIONS.....Meyerson
Finance Drive.....Meyerson
ORGANIZATION.....Verbanac
DECATUR VOTER.....Forbes

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Deadline for VOTER material is Board Meeting Day!

All officers and directors are expected to attend all Board meetings.

Please call Barb Ohlson if you cannot attend.

League of Women Voters

April 20, 1978

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Ohlsen, 111 Westdale, with Mrs. Ohlsen, President, presiding.

PRESENT: Mesdames Ohlsen, Weinman, Meyerson, Verbanac, Cobenly, Butler, McWay, Forbes, Schade, Cook, Marshall, and Redford.

ABSENT: Mrs. Robert Forbes.

MINUTES: Approved as mailed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Cash on hand \$661.89. M.H.S. Acct. \$304.05.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) The Fortieth Annual Governors Conference on Youth will be held in eight locations in the state. Springfield and Champaign are the closest locations for Decatur people to attend. 2) The statement made by Mrs. Ohlsen and Mrs. Verbanac to the Decatur Schools Social Studies Task Force was passed around. They reported that members of the Task Force seemed receptive to the League's statement. 3) State President's letter contained information that the league consensus on fair housing was yes to include commercial and professional real estate. Our consensus on this matter was taken on March 10 at the Annual Meeting. 4) State election laws consensus was received. It was along similar lines as our local consensus. 5) The Blue Line was passed around. 6) Board discussed the possibility of having an orientation session. A State Board member would talk with us and possibly devote some time to finance. A decision was made to do this in the fall. 7) Another letter was received from the Brookline, Mass. League concerning their request for an emergency item. Our previous stand on this taken at the March 26 meeting still holds. 8) A report of pledges to the National Budget was passed around. 9) Mrs. Schade and Mrs. Ohlsen attended an informational meeting at the invitation of Governor Ogilvie. This meeting concerned Federal Revenue Sharing. Information they received was passed around. 10) We will order more copies of "Guide To The Illinois Legislature" if there are none left after being sent out on subscription service. 11) A sample copy of "Current Focus: Revenue Sharing" was passed around. It will be sent out on subscription service if any money is left for this year. 12) A notice of errors in "The Voter, The Law and The Ballot" was received. Corrections will be sent out with them in the mail. 13) Pep Corp Day will be Tuesday, May 18. 14) Regionals will be May 26 & 27 in Springfield. 15) The statement that will be made to the Elementary Education Committee concerning House Bill 211 was passed around. 16) State Program was discussed to give delegates to State Convention.

an idea of what to back. 17) Importance of Board Notebooks was discussed and a list of information made so that missing items may be obtained for those needing them.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the appointment of Mrs. Gerald Redford as an appointed director.

Mrs. Schade was designated to be the person to give any information to the media concerning testimony on House Bill 211 while the Pres. and V. Pres. are at convention.

PROGRAM & ACTION: Rex Brown approached Mrs. Weinman about League's doing another Macon County Handbook. He insinuated financial backing could come from the county. The decision was to wait until changes occur do to the new constitution.

Program planning meeting for next year will be held Thursday, May 20, 9-30 A.M. at Mrs. Weinman's. This meeting should include all committee chairmen.

Program Chairmen are needed! We need chairmen for U. S. Congress, Council-Manager Form of Government and Human Resources. Three separate studies are planned for Human Resources with a chairman for each. They are Torrence Park, Employment (Hanniett Hardy will chair), and Housing.

Discussion was held concerning responsibilities of the Action Chairman. She will work with each committee chairman to decide on Action to be taken.

The May 12 meeting will have a dual program. A report on the convention will be given and a speaker will update members on conditions and the need for a new juvenile detention facility.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Finance: \$25.00 is budgeted for the Finance Drive. 400 sheets of letterhead will be purchased at \$6.75.

Permission was given to Mrs. Meyerson to spend up to \$30.00 for enclosures of League materials with solicitation letters to about 80 contributors. A pamphlet explaining League will go to new contributors. The question of soliciting former members was raised. A separate letter will be sent to them.

A suggestion for later was made. It is to go to other organizations (ex.: Friends of The Library, women's groups, etc.) and use their membership lists to try to sell our subscription service for \$5.00.

It was suggested that a phone listing in the name of League using the President's phone number be placed in the telephone directory. This will be done now for the next telephone directory.

Human Resources: Notice was given that H.R. 1 is now a poorer bill than when we first opposed it. It would eliminate food stamps and doesn't require states paying less to make up back payments. Last minute letters are needed now.

League accused O.M.B. of withholding H.U.D. funds. An appearance was made in Washington concerning this accusation.

ORGANIZATION: Membership people are hoping to give 5 minute talks to other women's groups this fall for the purpose of recruiting members.

Mrs. Rita Hughes will be unit chairman but will not be a member of the Board.

The May meeting will be May 12 at Westminster, 9:15 A.M.

DECATUR VOTER: Deadline is today!

Next meeting will be May 14, 9:15 A.M. at the home of Mrs. J. Wm. Coberly.

Meeting adjourned 11:15 A.M.

Margaret Coberly
Secretary