

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
July 19, 1988

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Milli Protzman.

Present Agnita Dupree, Karen Jensen, Lauri Thornton, Milli Protzman, Barbara Brown, Betty Melville, Andrea Bowen, Dee Meyerson, Sally Lantz.
Absent: Lee Staley, Betty Gaumer, Laura Verbanac, Lucille Crow.

Minutes The minutes of the meeting of May 17, 1988, were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report Barbara Brown said that we were reaching the end of our three-month budget adopted at the Annual Meeting, and that a report for that period would be filed for audit separately. (Attached)

President's Announcements

Agnita said that Carol Ballinger from the Decatur Public Library would come to the meeting later to talk to the board about co-sponsoring some public affairs forums the library is planning.

Milli Protzman is on the planning committee for Women of Excellence dinner, sponsored by the YWCA. The dinner is to be held at the Holiday Inn on September 22nd. Milli said she would need volunteers to serve as registrars, hostesses, etc.

Milli is also making arrangements for the LWV/IL Regional Meeting to be held in Decatur on October 15th. We will meet at the first Lutheran Church, 250 West Decatur Street. Catering will be done by the Decatur Vocational Center. Milli will need approximately six helpers to set up and serve.

Our forum for candidates, "State Government Issues - the Candidates Speak", will be held on Saturday, September 10, at 10:30 a.m. at the Decatur Public Library. It will include the candidates for state Senate and for the House of Representatives, with Dick Westbrook of WAND as moderator.

On September 9th we will conduct a day-long voter registration at the Library. We have permission to set up our registration table in the lobby and volunteers who are deputized to register voters will be needed to staff the table from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. September 9th has been designated National Voter Registration Day by a coalition of national groups, which includes LWV/US.

Carol Ballinger arrived to explain the National Issues Forum which she is interested in introducing at the Decatur Public Library. She said that she had used the material and format at a previous job in Oklahoma, and that it had been well received in that community. Andrea Bowen moved (Barbara Brown, seconded) that we co-sponsor National Issues Forum with the library and THE MOTION CARRIED.

Reports Program. Milli called the Hamilton House for a reservation for Tuesday, July 26th, at 12:00 p.m. for a luncheon for Karen Jensen, who will be moving from Decatur soon. The calling committee will call members to see if they wish to attend.

Milli reported that the Oglesby House has been reserved for Friday, December 2nd, for our Holiday Brunch. She suggested that the first membership meeting of the year could be devoted to a skit on ConCon, with a special emphasis on membership recruitment. For October we might consider a report from the Mental Health Task Force survey committee. She asked if the board wished to have the UN Potluck in October or later.

Our plans for the calendar to date are as follows:

September	9	Voter Registration Day - Decatur Public Library
	10	Candidates Forum - Library
	13	General Membership Meeting - ConCon
	20	Board Meeting
	22	Women of Excellence - Holiday Inn
October	11	General Membership Meeting - Mental Health report
	15	LWV/IL Regional Meeting - First Lutheran Church
	18	Board Meeting
November	8	General Membership Meeting
	15	Board Meeting
December	2	Holiday Brunch - Oglesby House

Mental Health Task Force Committee Sally Lantz reported that the committee has made good progress with interviews and survey questions. Some agency directors have been willing to meet with the committee at the Decatur Community Church meeting place to go over the questionnaires, and the committee has made appointments with others to be interviewed at their offices. The response has been good. A report could be ready for the membership meeting in October.

Publications The report on our Basic Human Needs study was received from LWV/US. Community leaders interviewed for the study were told that they would receive a copy of the final report. We need to determine how many copies we will want to order.

Agnita said that the state LWV will be conducting a Phonathon in Bloomington, on September 18-25, for solicitation of funds for the state league. Volunteers will be needed. We will put an announcement in the September Voter.

Voter deadline August 16th.

Dee Meyerson, Secretary