

Minutes of League of Women Voters Board Meeting

January 5, 1956

Meeting called to order by Pres. Mrs. H.W. Gibson, 1:30 PM, those Present: Mrs. Gibson, Griffin, McCracken, Cohn, Winn, Smith, Gardner, Leigh, Hurley, Martin. Mrs. Donovan and Mrs. Nicholson visiting.

In absence of Mrs. Woyna, Secy., minutes for previous meeting will be read for approval at February meeting.

Treasurer's report read and approved. C.O.H. as of Dec. 31, 1955: \$1470.27.

A letter of resignation from Mrs. Fred Schudel, 2nd Vice Pres., was read and regretfully accepted by the Board.

Mrs. Gibson reported she had had a letter from State office in regards to the 1956 Natl Conv of LWV in Chicago. Due to such crowded conditions and the vast number of delegates expected, only the Pres of the local league and one other member of the board who was to serve as a worker at the convention could attend. It was moved and approved that Mrs. Hurley be sent in this capacity.

Mrs. Gardner in reporting on the Farm survey: it is about 40% finished, however, she hopes to have it all done by the end of January.

Mrs. Martin's report on Unit Meetings: Units for January to be on the new Mental Health Clinic with Mrs. E.L. Simmons, State representative as discussion leader at the morning meeting and Mrs. Lyle Huff, local repr. The evening meeting speakers will be Mrs. C.F. Duewer, State repr and Mrs. Dan Nolan, Local.

General Membership meeting will be a luncheon on Tuesday Jan 31st at The Decatur Club with Prof. George Frampton, Assoc. Prof of Law at the U of I as guest speaker. His subject: The Procedures of Loyalty Determination.

Board Membership Changes: With the resignation of Mrs. Schudel, who was our Public Relations Chairman, Mrs. J.W. Hurley was appointed to fill this position with Mrs. Gerald Cox as Co-advisor. Mrs. John Fairs was appointed as a new board director, assigned to Bulletin Editor position. Mrs. Donald Dme, appointed as a new Board director assigned to the Welfare Chairman position. It was decided, with board approval, to leave the position of 2nd Vice Pres. vacant for the next two months at which time the regular election for this position will take place.

Mrs. Wm Winn's report on Voters Service and Candidates: Mrs Winn regretfully resigned her Chairmanship of the Candidates Meeting due to illness and physical inability to handle the many strenuous tasks of such a meeting. She will continue to act as advisor however and also continue the work outlined on her Voters Service workshops. Mrs. Clifford Smith will serve as Chairman of the Candidates Meeting with the promised help of all board members.

Mrs. Griffin's report on Local Govt: Workshop all set up with organizational meeting to be held Fri. Jan 6th.

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Mrs. Gibson read for approval a letter to be sent to the Editor of the newspapers in regards to the League's position on the coming referendum vote for a larger School Board. Letter approved as read. Copy in files.

A lengthy discussion was held on the formulation of several questions the League wished asked of the Decatur School Advisory Committee in regards to "where and how" school tax monies are spent. Questions in files.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned 4PM.

R. Hurley, Acting in absence of Mrs. Woyna,
Secy.

MINUTES OF CALLED BOARD MEETING
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR, ILL.
January 20, 1956

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. H. W. Gibson, President, at 1:30 PM. Present were:

Mrs. H. W. Gibson, Pres., presiding	
Mrs. Wm. Winn	Mrs. James Hurley
Mrs. Thos. McCracken	Mrs. Clifford Smith
Mrs. Chas. Griffin	Mrs. Fritz Woyna

The minutes were dispensed with till February Board meeting.

As a quorum was not present, it was decided to discuss all necessary matters and telephone to other Board members to get a quorum opinion.

Mrs. Hurley moved we invite Dr. Gage and his wife to the membership luncheon as a courtesy gesture, seconded, and carried. Mrs. Smith will call him.

The reply of the State Board to our request for permission to invite candidates for Representative and on up was read. They did not refuse permission.

The following matters pertaining to the Candidates Meeting were discussed: time limits for speakers, questions to be asked of candidates, and categories of candidates to be invited. Mrs. McCracken moved we accept questions, seconded and carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Marian Woyna
Mrs. Fritz Woyna, Secy.