

Schade

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

JULY BOARD MEETING

Date and Time:

July 17, 1969

12:45 P.M.

Place : Home of Mrs. Thomas Protzman, 332 S. Linden

AGENDA

MINUTES.....Coberly

TREASURER'S REPORT.....Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Schade

PROGRAM.....Beck

A. Water Resources.....Protzman

B. Logo.....Dakin

C. Con Com.....Crow

D. Schools.....Ohlsen

PUBLIC RELATIONS.....Kann

A. Publications.....Mainman

B. Voters Service.....Kann

ORGANIZATION.....Heilman

A. Membership.....Dumas

B. Units.....Moore

THE VOTER.....Bowers

NEW BUSINESS.....Schade

July 25 - review logo presentation



As most of you are aware, Millie Protzman is moving to Columbus, Ohio next month. I am sure you share my sad feelings in losing such a dedicated, hard working, and delightful board member. Since Millie dislikes farewell parties, I thought you might like to chip in 50¢ and someone and I will buy her a gift and present it to her at the meeting.

Ruth

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

May 28, 1969

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Schade, 143 Point Bluff Drive, with Mrs. Schade presiding.

PRESENT: Mesdames Schade, Beck, Mann, Heilman, Coberly, Protzman, Weinman, Dakin, Ohlsen, Dumas, Moore, Westenhaver, and Day.

ABSENT: Mesdames Johnson, Bowers, Verbanac, and Crow.

MINUTES: The minutes of the board meeting, April 30, 1969 were approved as written.

TREASURERS REPORT: Cash on hand 5-1-69, \$551.48. Total Receipts \$63.00. Total Expenditures \$160.84. Cash on hand 5-28-69, \$453.64. Mutual Home and Savings Balance \$1,060.50.

NEW BUSINESS: Appointment of Mrs. Elliott Day as a director was approved by the Board. Her portfolio will be Voters Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) Mrs. Westenhaver received a letter from the Deerfield League expressing feelings about the 50th Anniversary Fund Drive and other areas involving League policy. They sent copies to all Illinois Leagues. 2) A letter and questionnaire was received from the Alfred I. DuPont Foundation of Columbia University which is doing a survey of local radio and TV coverage of the 1968 political campaigns. Mrs. Westenhaver and Schade will answer the questionnaire. 3) A letter will be written to Westminster Church thanking them for the use of their parlor for meetings in the past year. 4) A letter will be written to Fran Nee thanking her for work on the Finance Drive. 5) The Anniversary Fund Drive is now going on nationally. Mrs. Robert Stuart, chairman of the celebration committee, is initiating a series of conversations on politics to be held with young people next fall to call attention to the work of League, which will sponsor the conference. 6) Mrs. Schade attended State Board training and primarily received information on program. Program Leader is the new name for Resource Chairman. There was encouragement to share resources with committees of other Leagues. Con Con Committee was encouraged to inform the community as its study progresses. Voters Service Committee should send questionnaires to the delegates. We were assigned a communicator, a State Board member to take problems to. She is Mrs. Gingold of Springfield. She is to receive all information we come out with. On "Time for Actions" we are to be firm and intimate with legislators. 7) Mrs. Wolff suggested rewriting our Local League Policy. Anyone interested in this committee should notify Mrs. Westenhaver. She will serve as chairman of this committee. 8) We don't have to have a meeting concerning every program item. A fact sheet in The Voter will sometimes suffice. 9) "The Legislative Newsletter" no longer exists. "The Blue Line" has taken its place. Only people on the President's duplicate mailing list receive them. We might be able to subscribe to "Time for Action" and "The Blue Line" as individual members in the future. 10) Some Leagues are upset about backing the approval

of a state income tax, especially a flat rate one. The board discussed this and decided to write a letter to the editor saying we support an income tax with a rate reasonably necessary to finance various programs and appropriations. 11) "Time for Actions" are coming frequently. We need to find a chairman to handle them as during Con Con we'll be receiving many. It was suggested that Program Leaders keep a list of other organizations to be given "Time for Actions". We want to involve other League members and other people not in League. 12) The new Local League Handbook has been received. Much more readable. Mrs. Weinman will order fourteen more so all board members will have one. We urge all to read them. 13) Copies of speeches given during the State Convention are available for Board Members to read.

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PROGRAM: Mrs. Protzman held the first Water Resources meeting on May 27. They had background on Pesticides this month. Next month they're interviewing. In August, they'll work on presentation for consensus in September.

Con Con Committee meeting is June 27. They hope to get members to the workshop in Springfield on July 10.

Mrs. Ohlsen read the answer from the Illinois Education Association to the letter we sent them concerning sanctioning of the Decatur School District. She is invited to the Chamber of Commerce meeting where Mr. Elder of the I.E.A. is to speak about the sanctioning.

The Chamber of Commerce Education Committee invited representatives of every organization in Decatur to an organizational meeting to come up with a project that every Decatur group would support. One idea is head start for all grades in all of Decatur. They set up committees to study projects and organization. We'll wait to see what develops before we send a member representing League.

A tentative schedule has been set up for next years programs. The final will be ready for approval at the next Board meeting.

Attendance at Units was not good this past year. We're thinking about two rather than three units for some program committee reports. Usually the Wednesday morning unit is the most poorly attended. It was discussed and decided to try instituting a Wednesday afternoon rather than a morning unit next year.

It was moved that Electoral College and Foreign Policy consensus be taken with two rather than three units. Seconded and Passed.

PUBLICATIONS: Mrs. Weinman announced that Haines and Essick has the "This Is Macon County" booklet at 75¢. The Illinois Voters Handbook has been ordered, but State is automatically sending 60 copies. They may be returned if not selling.

ORGANIZATION: Mrs. Moore will find a place to hold Tuesday morning units. Westminster may be used for kindergarten next year. She will try to get two chairmen for the Tuesday unit since with coffee and babysitter, it's considerable responsibility.

Mrs. Dumas has committee organized to gather names for an early fall coffee. Anyone having contacts with new people to Decatur please contact her. We should find out their interests and whether they're activists. It will help the committee to approach prospective members if they know what task to take.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS: Mrs. Mann is going to start on news releases. Everything will go out localized as "Mrs. Schade says.....".

Mrs. Westenhaver commended League members for help on telephones for Community Conversations. It was a success and they have many new ideas for next year. She thinks League should name a member as our representative to work on this project all year and notify WDZ now.

Next meeting will be July ¹⁷16, 1969.

Adjournment 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Coberly

Margaret Coberly, Secretary