

BOARD MEETING

Wed., September 22, 1971 10:00 a.m. Barb Ohlson's, 111 S. Westdale
(Bring a salad for lunch - Board Training with Willy Coim follows)

AGENDA

- MINUTES.....Coberly
- TREASURER'S REPORT.....Butler
- NEW BUSINESS.....Ohlson
Resignation of Betty Forbes
Appointments
- PROGRAM.....Weinman
- ACTION.....Redford
- PUBLIC RELATIONS.....Meyerson
- ORGANIZATION.....Verbanac
- VOTER.....Forbes
Deadline is Sept. 22
- ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Ohlson

Notice We have now materials to update board notebooks. Please bring whatever you have in the line of a board notebook to this board meeting. Call me now if you have nothing.

Barb

All officers and directors are expected to attend every board meeting unless they have notified the president.

next meeting

10:00 a.m.

all members should bring their own notebook

August 26, 1971

The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Dennis Forbes with the President, Mrs. Ohlsen, presiding.

PRESENT: Mesdames Ohlsen, Weiman, Meyerson, Verbanac, Coberly, Butler, Forbes, Schade, Cook, Marshall, Redford, and Smith.

ABSENT: Mesdames Forbes and McVay.

MINUTES: Approved as mailed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Cash on hand 8-26-71 \$489.89 D.H.S. Acct. \$304.05.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Mrs. Alice Dakin as nominating chairman.

It was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Mrs. Barbara Redford and Mrs. Ruth Schade as board members serving on the nominating committee.

A Task Force on County Government has been set up by State. We were asked to provide a county communicator and the board appointed Elise Hurst as such.

A survey of League experience and talent in county government was completed for the Task Force.

It was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Mrs. Lola Smith as a Board Director. Her portfolio is foreign policy.

Board orientation will be held Wednesday, September 22 at Mrs. Ohlsen's. A regular board meeting will start at 10:00 A.M. with a salad luncheon potluck at noon. The board will spend the afternoon with Mrs. Joseph Cohn, a member of State Board, who is involved with downstate organization and local agenda. We will ask for discussion on action at the local level and developing consensus questions at the local level.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) An invitation was received and passed around to the open house of the Americana Child Development Center. 2) Lots of welfare materials have been received through the summer. Three hundred copies of "The Welfare Less", a question-answer publication will be received free and an additional 100 will be ordered for \$1.50. These will be placed in the Voter and sent to contributors and other interested persons. 3) League is still supporting IRL even though the wheels are moving slowly since the President asked for an implementation delay until June, 1973. 4) A welfare action guide was received from National. Also, a memo from the Reno-Sparks, Nevada League stating reasons why it felt IRL should not be supported was received along with a letter from Alice Ihrig explaining ~~our~~ our stand further. All were passed around. 5) The Illinois General Assembly won't meet until October 12. A Fep Corp Day will be scheduled shortly thereafter. 6) McLean County Regionals will be held

September 15 in Normal at the 1st Presbyterian Church of Normal. Lunch will cost \$2.10 and the sessions will be 10:00-12:00 for workshops and 1:00-3:00 a speaker on environmental quality. Reservations are due by September 10.

7) The annual program conference will be October 13 at the O'Hara Inn. Senator Birch Bayh will speak. At 10:00 a.m. a panel will discuss "Constitutional Liberties - Are They Being Evaded?" Reservations are due by October 8.

8) An international trade seminar will be held Sept. 30 in Chicago. Its aim is the telling of the trade story. Place to be announced.

9) "Getting It Altogether", a pamphlet telling how to get organizations involved in working on projects was passed around.

10) Our new State Communicator is Mrs. Stuart Bernstein, 1371 Sheridan Rd., Highland Park, Illinois 60035. We are sending her copies of the Voter and Board Minutes. She is presently State Civil Rights and Liberties Chairman.

11) All chairmen received planning letters for their committee this past month.

12) The Legislative Newsletter will be reinstated in the fall when the General Assembly meets. Subscriptions are \$3.00 and may be given to Mrs. Ohlsen.

13) Visits to juvenile institutions throughout the state have been scheduled. The Corrections chairman has this information for anyone interested.

14) A 1971-72 State calendar has been received.

15) League of Women Voters of Wisconsin is sponsoring a European Tour. Environmental problems will be studied on the tour from Sept. 27 to Oct. 11. Anyone interested may contact Mrs. Ohlsen.

16) A list of national corporation prospects for the 1972 fund drive has been received. Staley and AD are on the list so any contributor information should be sent to National.

17) A statement of League policy on U. S. involvement in Indo-China was recently made to a senate committee.

18) A D.E.A. position statement on the Decatur school situation was passed around.

19) The decision was made not to put in the Voter the application for the Sangamon Valley Association. We had been requested to do so by the Chamber of Commerce. If we did this, it would seem that we were supporting the Oakley Project.

20) We were asked to write a letter to Rep. Springer who was the ranking Republican on the committee considering HR5277, a bill concerning power plant development rights.

21) A thank you was received and passed around from Dr. Bakalis for participation in the hearings on education.

22) A letter was received from Ann Coler clarifying League participation in caucus system of selecting school board candidates. League cannot get involved with actual choosing of candidates but could help set up the caucus. League members could serve on the caucus only as member of other groups.

23) A student volunteer bureau has been set up at Millikin. A form was received that we may use for possible volunteers for our action and voter's service.

24) Information on registration and voting laws of all 50 states was passed around. A half dozen copies will be ordered for the election laws committee.

25) The Illinois Conference on Educational Goals and Priorities will be the weekend of Sept. 24-26. Registration is \$7.00 and is due by Sept. 5. It will be held at the Sheraton in Chicago.

26) The Council on Community Services is asking for volunteers for community projects.

ORGANIZATION: Mrs. Hughes is trying to schedule Westminster Church as the place for the October 6 evening meeting. Not definite as yet.

Some people who will be attending the Anniversary Tea will be interested in learning about League rather than becoming members so hopefully this will be a public relations effort as well as a membership one.

Several women's organizations have been contacted in an effort to get new members.

Yearbooks were discussed. It was decided to order 175 as membership now stands at 123. It was decided to expand the information now contained on the center sheets of the yearbook and to have more printed for distribution. \$75.00 was set as the amount to spend on center sheets so whatever we can get for that amount will be ordered. Large Tick will decide paper color.

September 17 is the deadline for books to go to the printer.

Deadline for next Voter is the next Board Meeting - September 22.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS: Invitations for the tea are ready to be mailed.

Finance Drive: We are presently \$13.54 under the goal for non-member contributions. We are under half on membership contributions. Board members were reminded to make their contributions. A note will be added to future statements to explain contribution use.

PROGRAM: Hats are done for the tea and may be seen at Weinman's.

The 1971-72 program will be dittoed to hand out at the tea. Discussion of tea details followed.

Publications: Illinois Citizen Information Service publication folders were passed out.

The October 6 meeting will be a panel presentation on Torrence Park. There will be a city representative, a representative from the Decatur Housing Authority, and one from the Torrence Park Citizens Committee.

ACTION: The Macouland Junior College Referendum will be Sept. 25. It was moved, seconded, and passed to endorse the proposed Junior College and to allow our name to be used for publicity endorsing such.

Volunteer help is also needed in the office, to canvas neighborhoods and phone voters. Contact Lois Baber at the committee for Macouland Junior College office.

Department of Children and Family Services is setting up a volunteer program. It wants people to work with foster children on a one-to-one basis. Anyone interested or knowing someone who is may call Barb Redford.

Meeting adjourned 12:00 p.m.

Margaret Coborly, Secretary