

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS - BOARD MEETING

Thursday, August 26, 1971 9:15 A.M. Home of Chris Forbes, 12 Radial Drive

AGENDA

Minutes.....Coberly

Treasurers Report.....Butler

Announcements.....Ohlsen

New Business

Appoint Nominating Committee Chairman - Alice Dakin
Appoint two board members to nominating committee
Appoint County Communicator - Elise Hurst

Organisation.....Verbanac

Membership
Yearbook

Public Relations.....Meyerson

Finance Drive wrap-up

*\$13,54 from non-member contributions
only 1/2 from members is in*

Program.....Weinman

Oct 6 - Lawrence Park - panel 7:30

Action.....Redford

Notice Deadline for the Voter is not Board Meeting. It is
Wednesday, August 18. Get your material to Chris Forbes
by then. She will be at Weinman's in the A.M.

Finance Drive - Have You completed your calls? We must wrap this
up now!

All officers and directors please attend each board meeting or
notify Mrs. Ohlsen.

\$489.29 *\$304.05*

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

June 30, 1971

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gerald Redford, 1553 W. Main, with President, Mrs. Ohlsen, presiding.

PRESENT: Madames Ohlsen, Weinman, Meyerson, Verbanac, Coberly, Butler, McVay, Forbes, Schade, Cook, Marshall, and Redford.

ABSENT: Mrs. Robert Forbes.

MINUTES: Approved as mailed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Cash on Hand 6-30-71 \$561.62 H.H.S. Acct. \$304.05.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) A memo was received from National concerning National Council. Neither a resolution or an emergency item was adopted related to the Viet Nam situation. Fiftieth Anniversary figures were passed around. 2) A news release concerning solid wastes was passed around. 3) A program conference will be held in Chicago on October 13. Subjects will be Civil Rights and Liberties and U. S. Congress. 4) Consensus questions on Day Care have arrived. 5) The Education Fund has received a large grant from the Ford Foundation which will enable it to start two new programs. One, in partnership with the National Municipal League, will be to conduct an election systems survey. The second is the establishment of a Department of Litigation. 6) A Time For Action was received concerning moves to water down HRL, the welfare bill. A statement of position was included and a request for letters to congressmen was made. Mrs. Ohlsen has lots of welfare reform information for anyone wanting to read it. 7) It was suggested there be a press release concerning the right to vote for 18 year olds. 8) A newsletter was received from the Chamber of Commerce. It included a membership application for the Sangamon Valley Association along with a request that we reproduce it in our next Voter for those interested in joining. Decision was postponed until time for the next Voter. 9) Mrs. Ohlsen made a statement on behalf of League at the Bakalis public hearings on public education. The statement was passed around. The hearings are to be a basis for drafting a state plan for public education to be presented at a conference in September or October. 10) Mrs. Ohlsen and Mrs. Schade participated in a president's training session in Springfield on June 17. 11) Program chairmen will write letters for Time's For Action from League and the President will sign them. Copies must be sent to State. On national items a copy goes to both State and National. 12) The President's Letter only may be ordered for \$1.00. Decided not to order any since three copies are presently received with President's mailings. 13) Discussion was held concerning the need for a historian. Currently the publicity chairman does this job. 14) An interesting voters guide was included in the Peoria League's Bulletin. It is similar to the blue center pages of our yearbook but much more complete.

15) "This Is What We Can Do For You", a pamphlet put out by the Springfield League was passed around. 16) "Home Rule and The Local Official", a new publication was passed around. A few copies are in the suitcase. 17) Two non-League publications were received and are available to anyone interested. Counterbudget and Knowledge Into Action - Improving The Use Of The Nation's Social Sciences were donated by the National Urban Coalition and Russell Sandage Foundation.

NEW BUSINESS: A resignation was received and approved from Mrs. Roger Miller as nominating chairman for the coming year.

A tentative date for board training session was set for Sept. 22. It was suggested that we ask for discussion of State Board and local relationship with speaking on items other than local ones. Will also request Billie Cohn, the downstate chairman.

1971-72 Calendar: Mrs. Weisman presented the 1971-72 calendar as follows:

- September 8 - Anniversary Tea (P.M.)
- October 6 - (P.M.) Human Resources (speaker)
- 20 - U.N. Day Potluck with Foreign Policy Program (Noon)
- November 16 - (A.M.) Day Care Consensus
- 17 - (P.M.) " " " "
- December 7 - (A.M.) Local Schools Consensus
- 8 - (P.M.) " " " " " "
- January 11 - (A.M.) Election Laws Consensus
- 12 - (P.M.) " " " " " "
- February 15 - (A.M.) U. S. Congress Consensus
- 16 - (P.M.) " " " " " "
- March 8 - (P.M.) Annual Meeting
- 21 - (A.M.) Corrections Consensus
- 22 - (P.M.) " " " " " "
- April 11 - (A.M.) Land Use Consensus
- 12 - (P.M.) " " " " " "
- 26 - (P.M.) Civil Liberties (All Member)
- May 9 - (A.M.) Council Manager Consensus
- 10 - (P.M.) " " " " " "

Discussion was held on the Local Human Resources item. Possible solution was for a speaker in October for an informational meeting. No chairman has been found for this item as yet.

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the proposed program as presented.

25th ANNIVERSARY PARTY: This will be for members, former members and prospective members. Hoping for lots of publicity. Mrs. Ihrig has been asked to be the speaker but no reply has been received. A possible date is September 8.

A meeting will be July 7 at Mrs. Weinman's to plan the program for the meeting. A "hat review" of study items is being considered.

PROGRAM: Some new chairmen have been found.

Council Manager Government
Marge Unger
Rosella Wanser

Civil Rights & Liberties
Brenda Jensenig

National Human Resources
Lee Stalcy

Election Laws
Florence Cox

Still in need of a budget and nominating committee chairman.

ORGANIZATION: Betty Bloomquist will work on membership. Planning to speak for 5 minutes at several women's groups this fall in an effort to get new members.

ACTION: The Decatur Education Association is sponsoring a program service to clarify negotiation issues. An open school committee meeting will probably be held to take advantage of this explanatory service.

There is a possibility that the school committee will meet to review the budget and make a statement.

It was suggested that the committee review Centennial Lab School programs and make a statement.

The decision was that a statement can be made as long as it goes with a consensus and has Board approval.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Twenty-eight replies were received for the finance drive. Cards were divided among the Board to call on contributors for a contribution.

Mrs. Alfred Tick is starting on the new yearbook.

Next meeting will be called by the President when needed.

Meeting adjourned 11:55 A.M.