Minutes of Board Meeting October 18 1988 175 Park Place

Present: Dee Meyerson, Betty Melville, Agnita Dupree

Laura Verbanac, Lucille Crow, Barbara Brown,

Andrea Bowen, Lee Staley

Absent: Millie Protaman, Laurie Thornton, Betty Gaumer

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Agnita Dupree. Minutes of the last meeting were corrected to show a new member's name as Siobhan McPartlin Dizio.

The treasurer's report showed cash on hand as \$1113.86 Barbara reported 25 members have paid their dues asof this date. Reminder notices will be sent to members about their dues.

The regional meeting was evaluated and discussed. There was mixed reaction to the speaker. Some members considered the speaker repetitious and others felt his comments were not clear to all of the audience. There was confusion as to his position. The absence of the state president was disappointing. However, we received many positive comments about the luncheon and our arrangements for the meeting. Millie sent her thanks to everyone who helped.

The following announcements and reports were made.

Barbara reported we could purchase 1,000,000 liability insurance from the state league for 50 dollars. However, information on the coverage was sketchy and we were unclear as to the need. Betty Melville will obtain more info on insurance for an organization of our type.

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State wrote a letter about certain local leagues considering withdrawal from the state league. We discussed how sometimes the state does not feel we support them. Lee suggested we try to encourage someone from our local league to serve on the state board or on a state committee. Agnita will write a letter to the state explaining our support of the state league.

Andrea will head up the mental health study consensus report. Material has been received about the consensus.

State convention will be held June 2-4 in Urbana. Jane Chapin of Springfield passed away. She had been our communicator in the past.

The plans for the rummage sale are in order. Marking will be Friday at Barbaras and Millies.

State of Political Action Policy was discussed. We tabled action on this until next month after everyone has had time to thoroughly read the material.

AAUW will hold an antique show on Saturday oct 29 & 30.

A panel on Alcohol and Drug Abuse will be held at the Civic Center on October 24. This is sponsored by the Macon Co. Rehab Agency, Macon Co. Schools and the Decatur Mental Health Agency.

A recycling forum will be held in Morton Grove. Every county over 100,000 population must have a master plan on recycling by 1990. This is to help facilitate the plans.

The international supper will be held on Nov. 10 instead of the 8th due to the election. We will have dinner at a restaurant. Brown Jug was our first choice, Bishops was our second choice. Husbands and other guests are invited. The speaker will apeak on Russian culture.

December 2 will be our Holiday Brunch and Auction at Gov. Oglesby Mansion. Reservations are due Nov. 27.

Other events on our yearly calendar are as follows:

Jan. 10 Child Care program

Jan 13 Coffee State Program Recommendations

Feb 14 Recycling

Mar 15 Mental Health Consensus

Apr 11 Decatur Neighborhoods or Womens Issues

May 10 Legislative Seminars

May 16 Annual Meeting

ABC will need our help at the election coverage. Agnita will make the test call. Laura will help. Both the State and our local League will receive a contribution for our efforts.

The "palm cards" on our position on con-con will be distributed at the NAACP forum to be held at the library next Saturday. Since the Decatur newspaper has taken the opposite position on this matter we will need to be vocal on this matter.

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