

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR

Minutes of Board Meeting

May 23, 1979

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen Jensen at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Decatur, IL at 7:35 P.M. Those present were: Karen Jensen, Dee Meyerson, Barbara Brown, Barbara Rinick, Ellen Cantoni, Margaret Campbell, Cluny John, Marian Winters, Kathy Sorenson, Beth Cläweiler, Winnie Loewen, and Marg Coberly.

- I. Karen welcomed all new board members and passed around new publications for examination and distribution to committee chairpersons.
- II. The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as distributed.
- III. There was no treasurers report since Sue Marshall was absent.
- IV. Announcements
 - A. E.R.A.
 1. There will be a show of support in the Capitol Rotunda on June 13 at 11:00 A.M. ERA America is sponsoring it.
 2. N.C.W. will fund an E.R.A. Office to be established in Decatur.
 3. Karen was the only person from Decatur in Attendance at the workshop sponsored by the E.R.A. Coalition. She appeared on a taped interview on NCIA television.
 - B. There will be a Council of Community Services luncheon on June 7. Jean Smith, Chief of Protective Services for DCPS will speak. Interested persons should make reservations.
 - C. A letter from City Manager, Leslie Allen was passed around thanking the League for its support in the recent City Council election where Council-Manager form of government was challenged and complimenting the League on its community involvement.
 - D. Time for Action
 1. League was asked to testify concerning Hazardous Wastes.
 2. There will be a silent vigil for ERA - those interested in participating to sign up with Karen.

- E. Members were encouraged to buy tickets for the League fund raiser performance of Annie, Sept. 7. Tickets are \$30.
- F. Legislative political accountability ratings were passed around.

V. BUSINESS

- A. Discussion was held concerning dismissal of Judge Brinkoetter. Some Court Watching Monitors were disturbed and it was suggested that a letter be sent to Chief Judge Rodney Scott asking for his reinstatement for 2 years, when Judge Brinkoetter was to retire. After deliberation, it was decided no letter would be mailed from the League.
- B. The Decatur Public Library has asked for history items about the League of Women Voters of Decatur. Dee Meyerson has some deteriorating scrapbooks from the 1920's in her attic. It was decided to offer these to the Library since they have the means to preserve them.
- C. Several people will attend League workshops on Saturday, June 9 from 9:30 to 3:00 in Springfield. Cost will be \$2.00.
- D. Cil Recycling Project
An organizational meeting will take place on May 31 at 7:30 at Barbara Emory's. Kathy Sorenson will be publicity chairperson for the Project, but people are needed to do the legwork with gas station operators in order to get the Project started.
- E. President's Letter - Board members decided 5 copies will be ordered in order for more people to have access to the information.
- F. Kathy Sorenson discussed membership ideas she had gotten from State Convention.
- G. A gift was presented to Karen Jensen as out-going President for her dedication to the Decatur LWV.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 19 at 7:30 PM at the home of Ellen Cantoni.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Corwin