DECATUR LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

February 19, 1985 Dee Meyerson's - 7



Call to order

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Financial Report for /-31-85

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 - 2. Contributions Non Members
- C. Publications
- D. Interest Income
- E. Other Income
- F. Cash on hand

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 - a. Finance Drive
 - b. Membership
 - c. Yearbook
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 - e. Publicity
- Delegates
 - I. State Convention
 - 2. National Convention
 - 3. Workshops
- Financial Support
 - 1. State PMP
 - 2. National PMP
- E. Bulletin
 - 1. Supplies & Printing
 - 2. Postage
- Educational Activities
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