

DECATUR LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Agenda for meeting of June 18, 1985
9:30 a.m., Linda's, 2125 Clearmont'

Call to Order
Minutes of Previous Meeting -- corrections
Treasurer's Report
Announcements
Correspondence
Membership report
Finance report
Publications
Firm up board chairs
Planning the League Year - set calendar dates and programs
 Board training and/or long range planning
 Volunteer responses
 Scope of drop-out study
 Observer Corps
Adoption of political activity policy
Consider rewording the local program items for conciseness
Other business
Adjourn
Next meeting: July 16 at

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR
Minutes of Board Meeting
May 21, 1985

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Andrea Bowen at her home for a meeting of the 1984-85 and the 1985-86 boards.

PRESENT: Linda Hughes, Milli Protzman, Barbara Brown, Margaret Coberly, Betty Melville, Dee Meyerson.

Absent: Lauri Thornton, Lucille Crow, Laura Verbanac, Eunice Dansby.

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of April 23, 1985, were approved with the following correction: page 2, first paragraph, 3rd sentence should read, Andrea suggested that Lauri Thornton might check on end of the year "State of the Schools" reports.

TRREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Brown reported she had received a statement from National LWV for our per-member payment. She will make the state LWV per-member payment first. She said early payment of local dues would help, but is not necessary at this time.

Andrea said we have an unofficial OK from the LWV Education Fund to draw upon our account to publish our Directory of Government Officials. We will take it to the Mt. Zion print shop.

Andrea has prepared a draft of a letter to be used for the Finance Drive. The committee will meet soon to work on the letter, and to make further plans.

Andrea will draft a Membership flyer for local use and will get it to Linda before Andrea moves.

Sue Marshall, Budget Committee Chair, had suggested an auction as a fund raising event. We will discuss this further. It could be held as part of a regular League meeting, or be a special meeting.

SUMMER PLANS: Andrea suggested a variety of activities we might plan for the summer. After discussion, it was decided that we would start with a Convention Report from Linda at Sue Marshall's home. This will be a morning coffee meeting. We will send a flyer or postcard to members, which will include a reminder about saving rummage for the sale in August.

OLD BUSINESS: The state LWV education publication has been given to Howard Brown's office (Regional Superintendent). The Public Library and District 61 Board committees were other suggestions.

NEW BUSINESS: Andrea had received a letter from a group wishing to establish a Center for Independent Living asking for League endorsement. She suggested that the board might ask members Terry Brent and Cilla Seitz to visit and report back to the board for future action.

Andrea also suggested that the board might think about formulating guidelines for working with coalitions.

A final suggestion for future board action was that we consider rewording our local program items for conciseness before our next Annual Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Andrea said that she had been asked to encourage action on the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1985.

The Voters Unlimited Coalition will have a farewell Salad Supper for Andrea on May 29.

CONVENTION REPORT: Linda Hughes reported that the convention delegates had adopted the proposed education study. The mental health proposal had failed, but a proposal to set up a Mental Health Task Force had passed. The by-law change proposing that non-board-recommended items be adopted by majority vote at conventions, as are board-recommended items, did not pass.

A "Will of the Convention" resolution asked the National LWV to speak for negotiated solutions in Central America.

Wires were sent to Illinois legislators opposing a handgun bill which would limit the power of cities to control handguns. Money was contributed by the delegates to cover the cost of the wires.

The per-member payment was raised to \$14.50 for 1986-87. It was necessary to cut \$7,000 from the state LWV budget.

Andrea will write a thank you note to Barbara Dunn, our Annual Meeting speaker.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Dee Meyerson, Secretary