

PLEASE BRING YOUR BOARD NOTEBOOK.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR

BOARD MEETING, JUNE 24, 1986

175 Park Place

A G E N D A

Call to Order

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Organization

Political Activity Policy

Check board notebooks and publications

Reports

Program Tentative calendar for 1986-87

Planning for July 23rd meeting

New business - announcements and correspondence

Voter deadline _____

Next board meeting Mon. July 27. 7:30

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
April 15, 1986

The meeting was called to order by Linda Hughes at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dee Meyerson.

PRESENT: Linda Hughes, Betty Melville, Lauri Thornton, Milli Protzman, Barbara Brown, Margaret Coberly, Dee Meyerson. Absent: Eunice Dansby, Lucille Crow, Laura Verbanac.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 18, 1986, meeting were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Brown presented her financial report and the proposed budget for 1986-87 to the board. She suggested that, since we will not have a delegate to the League national convention, we reduce expenditures by \$300, the amount proposed for convention expenses (Expenditures, C.2.). A corresponding reduction in Income could be made under "F" to balance the budget. This suggestion for amending the budget will be brought up for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Linda said that she had reserved the Jasper Street Firehouse for our rummage sale for Saturday, October 25, from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Monday, October 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A letter was received with regard to participation in the Hands Across the Nation project. The Voter will carry an article urging members to join in the effort.

A Decatur Street Fair will be held in August. We will check with Mr. Tangney to see if he plans to have a Voter Registration booth.

REPORTS: Milli Protzman presented the Nominating Committee report for Karen Jensen. Agnita Depree agreed to serve as President, and Barbara Brown as Treasurer. The committee did not find candidates to fill the positions of 2nd V.P. (Public Relations) and 3rd V.P. (Membership). Margaret Coberly and Lucille Crow agreed to accept new terms on the board of directors.

A report had been received from Margaret Campbell, By-Laws Committee chair, saying that there were no suggestions for changes.

Local Program for 1986-87, The board will propose that local program items be continued as they are. The board will recommend continuing the school drop out study for one more year. The committee will finish the evaluation and reach some consensus for solutions.

OTHER BUSINESS: Program. Milli Protzman said that Florence Cox's committee on Financing the Federal Government, Stage 3, is ready with a presentation for our meeting on May 13th. The calling committee will ask members to bring their National Voters.

The program for the Annual Meeting is not yet settled. Dinene Wilmeth will not be able to speak at that time. The speaker will be someone from the State Board of Education. A cake will be prepared for our 40th Birthday Party. The meeting will be at Sue Marshall's home at 7:30 p.m. on May 20th.

VOTER: The deadline for Voter material will be April 25th. The Voter should be received by members about the 1st of May.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Dee Meyerson, Secretary

April, 1983

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POLITICAL ACTIVITY POLICY

(Please send one copy to the state office by June 1.)

NON-PARTISAN POLICY FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DECATUR, ILLINOIS LWV

Since the League's Board of Directors is responsible for carrying out the non-partisan policy in this community and for seeing that there is member understanding and public awareness of the League's stance; we are formulating specific guidelines regarding the political activities of board members.

1. The LWV is a nonpartisan organization and it shall not support or oppose any political party or candidate.
2. The Decatur LWV Board of Directors shall abide by a nonpartisan policy that allows the board members, except the President, Vice Presidents, and Voters' Service Chairman, and other publicly sensitive positions, to support candidates.
3. A board member may serve on local appointed boards where service would not be detrimental to LWV programs.
4. The political activities of a spouse or relative of a board member will be considered separate and distinct from the activities of the board member.
5. Public notices released by the LWV announcing the resignation of a board member to run for a political office is to be carefully worded in order to avoid the appearance of endorsing the resigning board member's candidacy.
6. The LWV's non-partisan reputation is sufficiently strong to ensure that personal contributions from office holders and candidates, as well as other community contributions, can be accepted without being misconstrued as endorsements of those donors.
7. The public views of board members who are asked to be members of appointed public commissions and committees either as individuals or representatives of the League, must be consistent with stated League positions.

Board members may have party affiliations and should certainly carry out the responsibilities of every voter in exercising the franchise, including the responsibility to become informed about candidates and to attend precinct meetings and caucuses. While the board develops guidelines on what board members may do, a general policy can never cover every situation and the board will need to deal with specific cases as these arise on an individual basis.

MINUTES GO TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

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| Membership VP | <i>BM</i> | |
| Secretary | Dee Meyerson 175 Park Place 62522 | 423-4097 |
| Treasurer | Barbara Brown 233 North Woodlawn 62522 | 429-7439 |
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| 1985-86 | Margaret Coberly 445 North 35th Street 62521 | 423-2012 |
| 1985-87 | Laura Verbanac 12 Dakota Drive 62526 | 877-2621 |
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| | Betty Melville 328 Point Bluff 62521 | 428-4481 |

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By-Laws *Margaret Campbell* (Board)
Budget *Sue Marshall*