

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, May 22, 7:00 p.m.

76 Colorado Drive

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
April 17, 1984

The meeting was called to order at the home of Barbara Brown at 7:00 p.m. by Andrea Bowen.

PRESENT: Barbara Brown, Milli Protzman, Lucille Crow, Janet Beck, Dee Meyerson, and Barbara Ohlsen.  
Absent: Laura Verbanac, Kathleen Owen, Barbara Emery.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 21st meeting were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: League member, Beth Oldweiler, a professional accountant, will audit the League books to date and have a report ready for the Annual Meeting.

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There was discussion of a study of school drop-outs. It was felt that we needed more time to develop an approach, and methods for the study.

The board approved the program recommendations. They will be carried in the May Voter.

Milli Protzman then presented the consensus resulting from the Marital Rights meeting of April 10. There was an average attendance of 28 at the two meetings. It was MSC (Crow, Brown) THAT THE CONSENSUS REPORT BE APPROVED.

Voter deadline is Friday, April 19th.

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The meeting adjourned.

Dee Meyerson, Secretary

LWV/DECATUR BOARD MEETING  
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Home of Barbara Brown  
233 North Woodlawn

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

ORGANIZATION

Annual Audit

Annual Meeting

Entertainment

Proposed budget for 1984-85

Proposed bylaws revisions

Report of the Nominating Committee, including nominees for Nominating Chair and 2 members

Proposed program items

Parliamentarian

Secretary

Annual reports to the membership

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Recommended rules

REPORTS

Program. Summer plans

Voters Service. Letter to AAUW

Finance.

Voter. Special Annual Meeting issue deadline \_\_\_\_\_

Summer issues

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of National bylaws, mission statement, program items

Report of Interim Council

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next board meeting: May 22 following National Convention and Annual Meeting

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Present: Milli Protzman, Barbara Brown, Lucille Crow, Laura Verbanac, Barbara Emery, Dee Meyerson.  
Absent: Kathleen Owen, Janet Beck.

MINUTES: With the correction under Voters Service, first page, last paragraph, second sentence, that 50 people were served at the Illinois Power registration, it was MSC (Brown. Crow) that the minutes be approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barbara Brown reported cash on hand of \$1,128.42. We have received \$32.13 in interest since changing our account. The Holiday Brunch took in \$74.50 and expenditures were \$62. The report was filed for audit.

ORGANIZATION: Andrea reviewed all Annual Reports to National LWV with the board members. There were suggestions for procedures and services, particularly with regard to the National Security study, but these may be included under that report.

Annual Meeting. This will be held at Milli Protzman's home, with a salad supper at 6:00 p.m and the meeting at 7:15 p.m. All committee reports must be ready for board approval at the April board meeting so that they can be included in the May Voter. We will ask again in the April Voter for suggestions for local program studies.

Lucille Crow, By Laws Chair, had some suggestions and questions from her committee. She will call state LWV to clarify a questions with regard to at-large members. There was discussion of a reorganization of the board under a new board plan suitable for smaller leagues. It was decided that this could await further study. The by-laws committee questioned whether it was necessary to keep the by law requiring 5 members on the Nominating Committee. It seemed 3 members, 1 from the board and 2 off-board members, could function as effectively. It was suggested that we add a reduction in dues if there are two league members in one household for state LWV dues, as we do for national at present. The By Laws Committee will make a for report at the next board meeting.

REPORTS:

Program. Carol Campbell has indicated that the City of Decatur Citizens' Committee formed to study water problems is not far enough along with their work to have anything to report as yet. Milli suggested that we devote the meeting to the completion of the Marital Rights Consensus, and a report on Acid Rain by Barb Emery. It was decided that we would not have time to include even a brief talk on the Community Strategic Plan by Richard Lutovsky from the Metropolitan-Decatur Chamber of Commerce. We will include the talk at a meeting in the future. Milli pointed out that the Marital Rights Consensus is due in the state LWV office on April 16, and our board meeting for final approval falls on April 17. We will ask for several days grace to send it in.

Voters Service. Laura Verbanac reported receiving a letter from Kathy Mack, Illinois Power Legislative Coordinator, thanking the League for help in making registrars available to the employees of Illinois Power. We will send her a precinct list and sample ballots for the Fall election.

The candidates meeting for Supreme Court judges was cancelled because only one judge had indicated he would attend by the deadline set by Joy Greive of AAUW. The meeting was to have been cosponsored by AAUW and the League. The letter which Joy had sent to the judges in the name of the League and AAUW mentioned that the meeting was being scheduled to commemorate Women's History Week, and asked the judges to comment on women's issues during the meeting. AAUW has indicated an interest in cosponsoring candidates meetings in the Fall. Andrea will write to Joy Greive to make clear the conditions under which we may be involved in cosponsorship.

VOTER: The deadline is March 25. Milli asked that the next Voter carry an article from Margaret Campbell about the manner in which the State's Attorney intended to handle domestic violence cases in the future, and a notice of a public meeting to be held by the Coalition Against Domestic Violence on April 11. It was agreed to include these in the Voter.

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

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  - Parliamentarian *Carl Ohlsen*
  - Secretary *Dee*
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  - Recommended rules *Parliamentary procedure*

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Program. Summer plans [*Complete Marital Rights Consensus*]

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Finance. *Brochure*

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*agreed. 27 Connect.*

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