

LAV BOARD MEETING  
Decatur, Illinois  
October 24, 1963

The meeting was held in the Association of Commerce Board Room at 12:45 P.M. with Mrs. Bachrach presiding:

Present: Mrs. Smith, Hurst, McGowan, Fuller, Mann, Reader, Redford, Westenhaver, Young, Saby.

Absent: Mrs. Tenney, Miller, Harrell, Meyerson.

Minutes: The minutes of the September 19, 1963, meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Given and approved as read. Several bills were presented and approved.

Finance Drive: Borg Warner Company made a \$50 contribution. Mrs. Bachrach announced we are \$97 short of our goal.

Consensus Report on UN: The report, as written by Mrs. Kottke, was approved without discussion or correction.

Consensus Report on Foreign Economic Policy: Mrs. Smith read the report she had prepared. Mrs. Reader objected to the statement calling for "enlargement of the peace corps" on grounds that the specific issue of the peace corps had not been studied nor discussed and that what was implied by preference for peace corps activities was the feeling that person-to-person aid was more valuable than most other forms of aid. It was decided to include mention of private agencies in the peace corps reference. Mrs. Reader objected that the general tone of the report did not reflect the growing disillusionment with the goal of world economic development, particularly in Latin America. Mrs. Redford suggested the report be amended to indicate that we are increasingly aware of the many difficulties and problems to be encountered. The report was approved as corrected.

Welfare: Mrs. Saby reported that the ten member committee will concern itself mainly with Aid to Dependent Children.

Use of League's Name: Mrs. Bachrach mentioned the possibility that a League member was in the habit of contacting city and business officials as a League representative, in spite of the fact she lacked authorization to do so. It was decided Mrs. Bachrach was to write a letter to Mr. Wells (Lever Committee) stating that both she and Helen Miller are serving on the committee as private individuals and not as League representatives.

School Report: Mrs. Westenhaver reported the data required for the space needs study is not available now. The plans to interview Mr. Grant regarding the condemnation proceedings have been cancelled. Board approval was given for changing the subject of the November Unit Meetings to a study of financing the schools, particularly Federal aid, state aid, and a comparison of public and private school financing in Decatur.

Urban Renewal: Mrs. Fuller announced committee agreement on the following program of study: object of urban renewal; chronology of events in Greenwood; federal legislation regarding urban renewal; financial specifics of Greenwood area; master plan in Greenwood area; relocation effects, including 12 interviews.

Program Conference: Four members will attend the Program Conference in Chicago on November 6.

Downtown Decatur Development Corp.: Mrs. Sachrach and Mrs. Redford announced they had met with spokesmen for the Downtown Decatur Development Corp. who wish to present results of three studies to our members. Studies are (1) Economic and population growth in Macon and surrounding counties through 1980; (2) Governmental implications of growth patterns; (3) Shopping habits with particular reference to downtown redevelopment.

A meeting at which this information would be presented was tentatively set for December 11 in the City Council Room.

November 12 Meeting: An all-member meeting to discuss national GAs and CRs. Mrs. Redford read a paragraph to be in the Bulletin explaining the purpose of the meeting and the process of arriving at selection of agenda items. Mrs. Fettes and Mrs. Smith are to make recommendations regarding UN and foreign policy at the meeting. Mrs. Doubleday is in charge of CRs and a summary of her recommendations will appear in the Bulletin. It was tentatively decided to follow the meeting with an afternoon board meeting. It was suggested that a December board meeting might not be necessary.

Publications: Mrs. McGowan distributed remaining September National Board Reports. She reported that about 290 copies of "Facts About Decatur Schools" are unsold. She will mail the remaining membership booklets.

Attendance at Oct. Unit Meetings: Mrs. Hurst reported the following:

Mon. P.M.	Committee	Members	Guests
Tues. A. M.	6	8	0
Tues. P.M.	5	11	2
Wed. A.M.	4	11	0
		12	0

Memberships: Mrs. Young reported the following new members: Mrs. Harold N. Hamilton, Mrs. Richard Plunkett, Mrs. John Roman, Mrs. H. J. Kapp, Mrs. Frank Dilley, Mrs. Lewis Meyers, Mrs. Hans Wolff.

Respectfully submitted,

Viola Reeder, Acting Secretary

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING

25 N. Country Club Rd. - Nov. 12

(Bring a sandwich)

The Board meeting will follow the all-member meeting on National program. We must send in our first round suggestions before Nov. 20 and it is hoped that this Board meeting will eliminate the necessity for the one later in the month. Please plan to make a day of it. Your help is needed for the all-member meeting. Please try to read your National Board report before the meeting. You will find it very helpful in making decisions. We hope to start the Board meeting right after the all-member meeting so as to complete our agenda as early as possible.

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Finance Report

Veterans Service Report

Membership Report

Program

Recommendations for National GAS and CRA  
Plans for November Units - School Study

Urban Renewal Report

Welfare Report

Discussion of new program structure - Read  
National Board Report