

LWV BOARD MEETING
Decatur, Illinois
July 25, 1962

The meeting was held in the Board Room at the Association of Commerce at 9:30 with Mrs. Bachrach presiding.

Present: Mrs. Bachrach, Hurst, Smith, Manuell, Redford, Fuller, Carr, Meyerson, Dahlmann, Tenney.

Absent: Mrs. Verbanac, Westenhaber, Doubleday, Ater, Reeder.

Minutes: The minutes of the June 14, 1962, meeting were approved with the following correction: page 3, paragraph 1, 4th line, should read "October Units: State CRs", rather than "GAs".

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Carr reported COH as of June 14 of \$522.83, receipts \$115.20, expenditures \$216.83, leaving a balance of \$421.20 as of July 25, 1962. 21 members have not yet paid their dues for 1962-63. Receipts include \$57 in member contributions for the Finance Drive.

Finance Drive: Mrs. Bachrach said an organizational meeting had been held for the committee captains and a decision made to send a pamphlet stating League principles and purposes with each letter soliciting contributions. The goal is \$1,500 and the Finance Drive will start September 11.

Portfolios: Mrs. Redford checked member's portfolios and distributed booklets to make each complete and gave each board member a Publications Catalog. She recommended that the subject of the portfolio be written on each piece of material distributed. Mrs. Hurst suggested that material distributed to board members to read and return have "Board" written on the cover and that an item be included in the Bulletin asking that any publications which belong to the League Board be returned.

Summer Coffee: There was a discussion of the purpose and effectiveness of the summer coffees. Attendance this year had dropped and possible reasons were explored. The meeting had not been held in a central, easy-to-find, location and announcement of the coffee had been made in the regular Bulletin instead of separately as has been done in previous years. Mrs. Smith said she felt the coffee should not be considered as an attraction for new members only, but also as a valuable link between Spring and Fall for the general membership. Mrs. Redford suggested that both purposes might be served better by a program for League members by League members, with a purely social coffee, rather than a "serious" meeting with an outside speaker (Mr. Grant, Superintendent of Schools, this year).

Orientation Meeting: Mrs. ^{Hurst} ~~Smith~~ was asked to discuss organization and time for an orientation meeting soon with Mrs. Colvis, Chairman of the Orientation Committee, and to recruit additional committee members.

Calendar: Specific dates were set for the monthly unit meetings. It was decided that an additional evening meeting would be held on January 30 with a speaker from the State Legislature.

School Study: Mrs. Bachrach said the Board of Education had decided to hold a referendum in October on a bond issue and increase of the school tax rate and asked the opinion of board members on whether the League could take a stand on this issue by October. It was felt that, since the school study includes "the necessity for a referendum covering school expansion" and the workshop has been meeting through the summer months, with a report scheduled for unit meetings in September, it might be possible to reach consensus on this part of the study by then. The workshop would continue with the study of the operation of the school district throughout the year and issue a "Know Your Schools" booklet in the Spring. Mrs. Hurst suggested that all forms of reproducing the booklet be investigated (such as mimeographing) to see if costs could be kept low enough to distribute such a booklet free or for a 10¢ fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Meyerson