

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN
VOTERS, FEBRUARY 3, 1955.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 1:30 in the Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room.

Present: Mrs. John J. Donovan, President,
Mrs. H. W. Gibson, Mrs. Clifford Smith, Mrs. Evelyn McKay,
Mrs. Fred Schudel, Mrs. Ferley Lupton,
Mrs. C. M. Nicholson, Mrs. Ayrlie Morris,
Mrs. J. W. Hurley, Mrs. J. F. Gebhardt.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as corrected.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary read the report which showed a cash balance on hand of \$1,541.74. It was noted that we anticipate somewhere in the neighborhood of \$250.00 more in expenses by the end of March. The budget was read and approved.

Elizabeth Lupton, Local Agenda Chairman, read the report of her committee. She said that the committee felt that 2 items were enough, inasmuch as both items were large, namely:

Item 1: A study of local welfare, with action where indicated.

Item 2: Analysis, with action where needed, of governmental units within the County.

General discussion followed concerning the welfare item. Other suggestions by the committee were: "Know Your Town," "Public Housing," "Recreation," "Local Election Code." Mrs. Smith commented that if the question of voting machines came up, the latter suggestion might prove important.

The President asked for a motion for both the budget and the local agenda. Elizabeth Lupton moved that the proposed local agenda which she had just read be accepted. Seconded by Dorothy Morris; motion carried. Mrs. Pauline Winn moved that the Budget be accepted as read; seconded by Rachel Hurley; motion carried.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Elizabeth Lupton; committee: Elizabeth Lupton, Betty Simmons, Lola Smith, Florence Wood, Anne Pettee, Chairman. The report follows:

President, Mrs. H. W. Gibson,
1st Vice President, Mrs. James W. Hurley,
2nd Vice President, Mrs. Frederick S. Schudel,
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Gebhardt,
Treasurer, Mrs. G. R. Cohn,
Directors, Mrs. James Leigh, Mrs. Forrest Martin,
Mrs. Thomas McCracken, Mrs. Charles Griffin,
Mrs. F. A. McKay, Mrs. Arthur Adelman.
Nominating Committee for 1955-56: Chairman, Mrs. Gerald Cox,
Members; Mrs. Neal Doubleday, Mrs. C. M. Nicholson.

The number of unit meetings was discussed, and Mrs. Smith suggested that we have just the 2 meetings in February because of the Candidates Meeting. Mrs. Smith moved that we have the morning and the

evening unit meetings; seconded by Mrs. Lupton; motion carried.

The coming Candidates Meeting was discussed by Mrs. Winn. Questions to be put to the candidates were discussed, also letters and publicity.

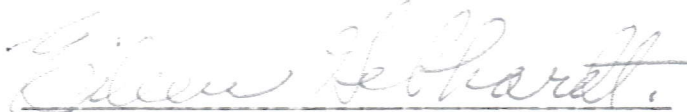
Mrs. Nicholson discussed the work of the Individual Liberties Committee. Mrs. Nicholson stated that the committee would simply serve to get interest started in connection with the Freedom Agenda Project, and that letters were to be sent to ~~all~~ *many* organizations in Decatur soliciting their interest and cooperation.

The Trade Survey was discussed, and it was decided to send 3 people to the 2 day meeting in St. Louis, with expenses paid by the League. Motion by Mrs. Gebhardt; seconded by Mrs. Schudel; carried. Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Gibson to be the three to attend.

Mrs. Gibson discussed the proposal of the Chamber of Commerce about the sewers. The Sewer Committee is headed by Merrill Lindsay. It was noted that the League has a continuing responsibility concerning the sewer program.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the President.

Respectfully submitted,


Mrs. J. F. Gebhardt, Secretary.

The President reminded the Board about the reports to be in by March 1st. She also stated that at our next meeting we would work on the evaluation report to go to State. Reports on year's work are to be given to Mrs. Hurley for the March Bulletin, which will take the place of annual reports at the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Lupton read a letter from Senator Springer in answer to hers with regard to HR 1 and HR 536; also a letter from Senator Dirksen concerning the Trade Survey program; he said he would like a copy of our survey.