

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Decatur, Illinois

Board Meeting will be held Monday, November 22, 1971, at 9:15 a.m., at the home of Mrs. James McVay, 3021 Lynnwood Avenue.

AGENDA

MINUTES.....Coberly
TREASURERS REPORT.....Butler
PROGRAM.....Weinman
✓ Day Care Consensus
✓ Schools Consensus Questions
ACTION.....Redford
ORGANIZATION.....Verbanac
PUBLIC RELATIONS.....Meyerson
NEW BUSINESS.....Ohlsen
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Ohlsen
DECATUR VOTER.....Forbes

Notice: Please let Barb Ohlsen know if you can't attend board meeting. Every officer & board member is expected to attend every board meeting.

This is a busy day for many of us. We must start at 9:15.

v Minutes of Board Meeting held October 27, 1971

The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. David Marshall with President, Mrs. Robert Ohlsen presiding.

PRESENT: Mesdames Ohlsen, Weirman, Goberly, McVay, Forbes, Schade, Marshall, Redford, Smith, Sensenig, and Butler.

ABSENT: Mesdames Leyerson, Verbanac, and Cook.

MINUTES: Approved as mailed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Cash on hand \$802.97 U.S. Acct. \$304.05. Up to date figures on the finance drive stand at: non-members \$931.46 members \$280.00.

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Mrs. Jay Sensenig as a director for a one year term. Her portfolio is Civil Rights and Liberties.

PROGRAM: Mrs. Kessler has a conflict with the dates of the Day Care consensus units in November but the committee will handle the presentation.

Foreign Policy - Mrs. Smith was commended for her program at the U.N. Potluck meeting.

Schools - Consensus questions for the December units will be ready for Board approval at the November Board Meeting.

Questionnaires were sent to principals and guidance counselors asking for their opinions of where 6th and 9th grades belong in schools. Interviews will be held with some District 61 personnel.

Environmental Quality - The committee will meet the first Friday of every month.

It was decided to put a notice in the Voter urging members to save glass and help collect it on December 4 for a recycling project - G.R.I.P.E. (Glass Recycling In Promoting Ecology). Two-thirds of the profits from the project will go to Macdonald Junior College and one-third to a future environmental project.

Civil Rights and Liberties - The question was raised and discussed whether we could support an implied consent law. We can do nothing since we have no stand on the issue.

The Annual Meeting will be an evening dessert rather than a luncheon meeting as is incorrectly printed in the yearbook.

National sent a request for any information or study we have done in the area of zoning. We have never done anything locally so will reply as such.

ACTION: Mrs. Redford is involved at the State level on a legislative action committee. She is monitoring the education committee. Anyone who would like to join her for a trip to Springfield may contact her. The Action Committee will then analyze its effectiveness before the January session and possibly become more involved in taking stands for or against particular legislation.

Janet Beck and Judy Tathan have volunteered to serve on the Human Relations Commission employment committee. We hope to find someone willing to serve on the housing committee.

ORGANIZATION: Two recorders and discussion leaders are needed for the November unit meetings which will be held at 9:15 a.m., November 16 at Westminster and at 7:30 p.m., November 17, in the home of Mrs. Kessler.

Membership - Board members were asked to take names of one or two new members to call personally so they will know what is going on and make sure they will come to meetings.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: There is a Girl Scout troupe working on a community badge that is willing to help with Voters Service. Lucille Crow will be our liason with them.

The Voter's Guide will be ready soon. Discussion of methods of distributing them followed. One source considered good by all was the Welcome Wagon.

We will have a candidates meeting rather than a handout for the Laconland Junior College Board election. We will try to get a high school auditorium to hold it in. We will check with other organizations to make sure there will be no other candidates meeting. We could help someone else with one.

The Board agreed that nothing will be done for the City Bus Referendum.

The Voter Registration drive for 18 year olds is still up in the air as far as our doing anything to help.

Finance Drive - The first contacts for next year's drive will be early in February. We will try to finish the drive by the end of March.

VOTER: It was decided to have a December Voter this year since we have consensus coming up.

Board meeting dates for the rest of the year will be: Nov. 22, Dec. 15, Jan. 19, Feb. 23, and March 29.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) State organization chairman field service includes a system of communicators to assist local Leagues on many subjects. 2) Mrs. Ohlsen has information on a special rate for a trip to London for anyone interested. 3) Interest in a PEP Corp trip to Washington DC is being assessed by National. It will be a similar trip as the one last year which Mrs. Ohlsen and Mrs. Robert Forbes attended. 4) We can usually afford only one delegate to National Convention. A charter flight to Atlanta is being arranged to depart from Chicago. 5) We will take no PEP Corp trip to Springfield this session. 6) It was decided to order 100 thank you notes from the Upper St Clair League at \$4.75 for 50. 7) A mini-survey of election information is being asked for by State. It can be done mostly in the library with newspaper information. Florence Cox will be asked to do it with help from the Election Laws Committee. 8) National program suggestions will be drawn up at the January meeting. The membership will be asked through the Voter to Submit suggestions to the Board at or before that meeting. Mrs. Forbes will work on the committee to take care of this.

Next meeting Nov. 22, 9:15 a.m. at Mrs. James McVay's.

Meeting adjourned 11:15 a.m.

Margaret Coberly
Secretary