



League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA
Minutes of the Board of Directors
August 11, 1981

MEETING PLACE: State office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN 55102 - 9:40 a.m.
Harriette Burkhalter, President, presiding.

ATTENDANCE: Board members present: Burkhalter, Tews, Barsness, Mutsch, Caucutt, Armstrong, Bayless, Mork, Lucas, Crampton, Grimsby, Hegg, Newmark, Walters, Weinig.
Board members absent: None.
Also present: Hove, Budget Chair; Pugliese, Health Care Chair; Chamberlin, Long Range Planning Co-chair; Ritchie, Women's Sports Chair.
Staff: Sawyer, Anderson.

MINUTES from the April 21 Board meeting were accepted as corrected (page 3, the 3 Focus topics have been selected; not proposed); minutes from the May 20 Executive Committee meeting were accepted as corrected (next state Convention at UMD, not UMC); minutes from the 48th state Convention were accepted with the request that next time mention be made of non-attending Leagues.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance on hand 7/31/81	\$ 621.07 - checking
	37.03 - telephone transfer
	748.35 - grants account
Income 4/1/81 - 7/31/81	31,259.36 - general
	1,533.75 - grant
	<u>32,793.11 - total income</u>
Expenditures 4/1/81 - 7/31/81	\$31,921.94 - general
	1,401.50 - grant
	33,323.44 - total expenditure

Sally Sawyer discussed problems of cash flow during the summer. Suggestions included: asking prosperous Leagues to pay ahead, adding a surcharge on late payments, and phone calls to the 16 Leagues in arrears. Those Board members whose liaison Leagues are among the 16 will call them this month. The Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT: Barsness will be forming a Development Committee to work with metro Leagues. Bayless suggested we discover a company's budgetary year to approach them at the optimum time. Burkhalter asked for volunteers to visit IDS and Williams Steel and Hardware this month.

APPOINTMENT: MOTION: to approve the appointment of LaNelle Olsen, LWV-Northfield, to the LWVMN board as Director of Financing Education study.
Mover: Armstrong Seconded, Carried

H.R./SOCIAL POLICY: MOTION: to formally change the title of the Human Resources portfolio to Social Policy.
Mover: Lucas Seconded Carried: 9-4

(Will Peggy Lucas be our new Social Director?)

WOMEN AND WHERE THEY ARE TODAY CONFERENCE: MOTION: that LWVMN only express an interest in co-sponsoring the conference, explaining that spring, 1983, would be best for us.
Mover: Tews Seconded Carried

There was much discussion of timing, funding, and possible redundancy of the conference. The Coalition of 15,000 is seeking commitments from member organizations for

September. Financial commitment of LWVMN would be a problem. Use of tax-deductible monies for the conference would mean putting money through Education Fund and probably having LWVMN control it. Sawyer will try to attend meeting with Tews or Lucas

VOTERS SERVICE PROJECTS: Newmark told of her discussions with ACPAF (Alum group from Augsburg) on their proposal to jointly sponsor debates statewide in 1982. Concerns were expressed on: background of the group, whether ACPAF would provide free space on "money contacts, and on if debates could be limited to Governor and Senate.: Newmark asked the Board to give her o.k. or direction on: debates, VOTERS GUIDES, Hotline, and co-sponsorship idea.

MOTION: to prioritize (because of expense, woman power) the projects as follows: 1) debates; 2) VOTERS GUIDES; 3) Hotline.

Mover: Mork Seconded Carried

MOTION: to amend the priorities by switching 2 and 3.

Mover: Caucutt Seconded Carried

Main motion defeated.

MOTION: that LWVMN sponsor debates between the IR and DFL candidates for Governor and U.S. Senator in 1982.

Mover: Newmark Seconded Carried

MOTION: that LWVMN publish a VOTERS GUIDE for statewide offices in 1982.

Mover: Newmark Seconded Carried

MOTION: that LWVMN run an Election Hotline to aid voters in the metro area to find their polling places.

Added = that guidance be offered to local League who may want to do this in their own locales.

Mover: Newmark Seconded Carried

MOTION: that LWVMN pursue co-sponsorship idea of the 1982 debates with Augsburg College Public Affairs Forum and Common Cause.

Mover: Newmark Seconded Carried

HEALTH CARE: MOTION: to amend the 1981-82 budget to provide a \$50 fund for Health Care program activities.

Mover: Bayless Seconded Carried

Convention delegates increased income by \$273 from local Leagues, which was not assigned an expense category. Pugliese pointed out that health care had no money and asked for \$50 of the \$273.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: Chamberlin described the process of her 16-member committee in reaching 5 LWVMN Goals. Their criteria -- is it: important, understandable, time specific, not too broad or limited, achievable.

LWVMN GOALS

By 1984-5, LWVMN will be using creating and innovative forms of communication to disseminate information to all League members and a greater portion of the public.

By 1984-5, LWVMN will have a secure financial base.

By 1984-5, LWVMN will have established an effective communication and support network among the local Leagues and the state Board.

By 1984-5, LWVMN will have implemented a plan to attract and retain a larger and more diverse membership.

By 1984-5, LWVMN will be more visibly involved in studying and acting on significant issues.

MOTION: to adopt the 5 goals.

Mover: Armstrong Seconded Carried

September 10th, 10:00 - 1:00, at the state Board room, all Board people are urged to help develop the objectives (time specific) to aid the Budget Committee. The following step will be drawing up an action plan from the objectives. Chamberlin's group is willing to consult local Leagues who want to use the process. There will be coverage in the VOTER.

NATIONAL STUDY ITEMS: Much discussion on how to handle requests from out-of-state Leagues requesting help in lobbying for new national program items was held. There was much discussion on topics themselves.

MOTION: that we send the Westport, Connecticut, proposal on Disarmament Study to our local Leagues, reminding them to save it for lively issues discussion in January.

Mover: Newmark Seconded Carried

State recommends that local Leagues consider this as important for national study and not be deterred by complexity of the issue.

Mover: Weinig Seconded Carried

MOTION: to handle a proposal for a national study of international mineral rights in the same way in the BOARD MEMO.

Mover: Crampton Seconded Carried

WOMEN/ATHLETICS: Ritchie explained background on NCAA takeover of AIAW.

MOTION: to pass a resolution supporting AIAW and to contact other state LWVs and our local Leagues, urging them to pass our resolution and contact NCAA with complaints.

Mover: Lucas Seconded

Discussion centered on the fact that although NCAA has taken control of women's college athletics, pressure can result in better treatment of women's athletics within the NCAA.

Carried

CITIZENS LOBBY: MOTION: that LWVMN continue as an observer rather than a member of Citizen's Lobby.

Mover: Tews Seconded Carried

Discussion on lack of advantages to our joining.

UNION PRINTER POLICY: MOTION: that August-September VOTER be printed by Printing Works, Inc., a cheaper, closer, but non-union, women-owned printshop.

Mover: Walters Seconded Carried

Board agreed that LWVMN continue to seek union printing of "outside" publications, i.e., those intended for the general public.

MOTION: that LWVMN sell ads for the VOTER, or, finding that unfeasible, attempt underwriting funding for the VOTER.

Mover: Walters Seconded

MOTION: to amend the motion to add "and to request preparation of guidelines for both projects to be approved by the Executive Committee before beginning."

Mover: Olsen Seconded Carried

Amended motion carried.

CHILD SUPPORT: MOTION: to establish April 1, 1982, as the deadline for local Leagues to reach concurrence on the Child Support Study.

Mover: Lucas Seconded Carried

Hope was expressed that a large enough number of Leagues will respond for LWVMN to have a position by February, 1982, so we can lobby. Direction to the state Board at Convention concerned the concurrence process; Mutsch will check with the Edina League about their concerns. The concurrence process will be covered at Fall Workshops.

WARM: MOTION: to give WARM our list of local League Presidents and ask them to buy a VOTER ad.

Mover: Lucas Seconded Carried

MEA WORKSHOPS: MOTION: that LWVMN co-sponsor the Minnesota Energy Agency out-state workshops.

Mover: Crampton Seconded Carried

Crampton said that workshops were intended to set up a network of concerned people before the MEA ceases to operate as a separate state agency.

LWVMN POLICIES: The Board agreed on these changes:

- 1) Under "Development," #2, delete "its regular" and substitute "any";
- 2) Under action, substitute "state level" for "legislative";
- 3) Add policy about union printing for outside pieces;
- 4) Add Executive Director to nonpartisanship policy.

CONVENTION FOLLOW-UP:

Women's Correctional Institution at Shakopee: Tews stated that intend of Convention resolution was to have LWVMN lobby this year. Initially we will discuss the issue with legislators through the legislative interviews, and we will contact the Governor.

Name Change: Convention resolution asking LWVMN to spearhead a drive for a name change passed by a 91-86 margin. Lucas pointed out that was not consensus, but Burkhalter reminded everyone that the resolution did pass. Board agreed to (1) contact LWVUS, asking them to update us on legalities and implications of a name change. (Moorhead's request did not receive a satisfactory response.) (2) then determine what other support exists in other state and local Leagues. We will take it in steps.

DRAFT BOARD: Buffington and Olsen were interested in applying for service on a local draft board and took application forms.

ABORTION/BIRTH CONTROL PUBLICATION: Lucas attended a caucus at Council and said there is indeed a need for a credible, balanced publication which would be an informational piece; for example, people need information about possible constitutional questions. LWVUS has decided not to do such a publication.

MOTION: to support LWV-Michigan's efforts to get LWVUS to publish an informational piece on abortion/birth control.
Mover: Lucas Seconded Carried

FUNDRAISING IDEAS: Pat Llona will continue involvement. We must raise an additional \$2,700. A raffle would not leave out non-metropolitan area LWVs as would theater benefit, house tours, etc. There were no volunteers.

VISIT: Lee Carpenter will be here on October 22 to meet with state Board first and then local League presidents and Boards. Lee is our LWVUS consultant. LWV-Edina will be hostess for her visit.

OTHER BUSINESS: Bayless asked if there would be mailings to presidents during months when Board meetings are not scheduled. Burkhalter replied there probably would be but very limited ones to presidents only.

Meeting adjourned: 2:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Caucutt, Secretary

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA
Minutes of the Board of Directors
October 13, 1981

MEETING PLACE: State office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN 55102 - 10:10 a.m.
Harriette Burkhalter, President, presiding.

ATTENDANCE: Board members present: Burkhalter, Tews, Barsness, Mutsch, Caucutt, Armstrong, Bayless, Mork, Lucas, Crampton, Grimsby, Hegg, Newmark, Walters, Weinig, Bradley, Buffington.
Board member absent: Olsen
Also present: Hove, Budget Chair
Staff: Sawyer, Anderson

MINUTES of the August 11th Board meeting and September 8th Executive Committee meeting were corrected (date wrongly listed) and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Assets 4/1/81	\$21,049.38
Liabilities 4/1/81	\$ 2,296.88
Net Assets 4/1/81	\$18,752.50
Assets 9/30/81	\$22,241.01
Liabilities 9/30/81	\$ 5,349.01
Net Assets 9/30/81	\$16,892.00

The Treasurer's Reports (new format) for August and September were explained, accepted, and filed for audit.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT: Received or pledged since August: \$300 from Northwestern National Life Insurance Company, In-kind Printing of "Citizens in Action" by Apache Foundation, \$1,000 from Super Valu Stores, \$500 from the Pillsbury Company, and \$500 for the Citizen Action Workshop from International Multifoods.

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF OBJECTIVES FOR 1982-83 is necessary because of problems created by people drawing up objectives for others to carry out. Only Objectives with a name after it for carrying out will be done.

Goal I: drop: 1,2,4,5,6,7,8

change: 9 (from "prepare" to "responsible for"), 16 (to need a paid project director), 21 (to 1983), 22 (to October, 1982), 25 (add Bayless and others), 26 (add Buffington and Bayless), 28 (to fall of 1982).

add: 29 (lobbyist training January, 1983, after workshop)
30 (Voters Service Award at state Conventions)

Goal II: drop: 9

change: 4 (drop "from state Board and staff"), 3 (add Weinig and fundraisers)

Goal III: change: 10 (to 10 and 10a with Weinig responsible for P.R. session = 10; and Bayless handling audiovisual aids = 10a)
add: to 12, fall of 1982

Goal IV: unchanged

Goal V: change: 3 (to "LWVMN will research and write our own Container Deposit Bill during 1982-83," Crampton/Grimsby - but it may have to be scrapped); 14 (change to February, 1983); 18 (change to January, 1983).
add: 23 ("revise LWVMN Program for Action in summer of 1982 - Tews"); 24 ("every fall LWVMN will organize and interview legislators"); 25 ("LWVMN will continue our Action Award at Convention!"); 26-30 (International Relations: 1) In May, 1982, LWVMN will participate in World Trade Week, Inc., programs in Minneapolis, Duluth, Mankato, and St. Cloud; 2) In October, 1983, LWVMN will participate in United Nations functions; 3) Throughout FY 1983, LWVMN will attend World

Affairs Council and World Affairs Center meetings; 4) By January, 1983, LWVMN will lobby and monitor our own bill to rescind the "Buy America" statute.

RAFFLE: MOTION: that providing all licensing questions are settled to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, LWVMN will raffle off a trip in order to raise \$3,000 hard money.
Mover: Weining Seconded: Mork Carried

There was discussion on the nebulousness of the legality. The sense of the group was that the Board is opposed to direct member mailings of tickets. This BOARD MEMO and liaison calls will lay the groundwork with local Leagues so the January Executive Committee can make a go-ahead decision.

LIAISON CALLS: To be made October 31 - November 5 and back to office by November 6.
Metro Leagues should hear about secretarial job open at state office.

EVENING WITH LEE CARPENTER: Edina worried about very slow ticket sales. Harriette took a head count of Boarders planning to attend. From 1:00-3:00 p.m. Lee wants to discuss PMP, and we want to discuss overlap of state/local action.

CONCURRENCE GUIDELINES DISCUSSION: There have been many complaints on one-sidedness of the concurrence process.

MOTION: to amend the Concurrence Guidelines by adding to #2: "All members should have knowledge of the topic 'both pro and con'."
Mover: Mutsch Seconded: Caucutt Carried

MOTION: to approve the Concurrence Guidelines as amended.
Mover: Mutsch Seconded: Bayless Carried

CROOKSTON: MOTION: to formally accept the dissolution of LWV-Crookston and to send a letter to each member, encouraging her to become a member-at-large.
Mover: Mutsch Seconded: Bayless Carried

POLICIES: MOTION: to add the following statements to the Policies of LWVMN:
"The true cost of a product (i.e., publication or workshop) should be reflected in the price of the product or in the amount of the user fee"(suggested by Hove, Budget Chair);
"There should be a lower price for LWVMN publications for League members." Tabled

This could be a problem for obtaining grant money (which is where most of our money is from) - Karen, Judy, Sally will provide background information.

Point of Information from Crampton: Information about the Pig's Eye Coalition lawsuit has been forwarded to LWVUS for comments, since we're members of the Coalition.

ADOPTING GEORGIA FOR THE ERA: MOTION: that LWVMN "adopt" LWV-Georgia in an effort to provide support for a concentrated effort to pass the ERA in Georgia.
Mover: Lucas Seconded: Tews Carried

Lucas will send an Action Alert to our local Leagues.

REAPPORTIONMENT: Buffington feels we ought to leave our position alone (for now - we can't influence reapportionment except to say "do it") but to restudy reapportionment before 1990. General agreement to let the decision of the Action Committee stand.

FOCUS: Ecklund under Energy Policy Development Committee will develop an Energy Policy - would this be a "popular" Focus topic? All kinds of Minnesota department heads and staff would be interested, but would the public (not "should" - that is given, but "would"). We will go with "Energy Policy" instead of budget cuts and delivery of human services.

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ACTION: "Citizens in Action" at printer - will be ready by November 1st.

VOTER: New December VOTER deadline to be announced. Marcia really means it with these deadlines, ladies.

FALL WORKSHOPS: 167 people participated - 30 less than at last MN Council (1980) - favorable comments.

SHAKOPEE INVITATION: LWV-Shakopee wants to invite LWVMN Board to tour the Shakopee facility in November. Tuesdays were suggested. Carol will research Thursday, November 12 (a.m.), since Tuesdays in November are fairly well booked for us.

Meeting adjourned: 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Caucutt, Secretary

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA
Minutes of the Board of Directors
November 10, 1981

MEETING PLACE: State office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul - 9:45 a.m., Harriette Burkhalter, President, presiding

ATTENDANCE: Burkhalter, Tews, Mutsch, Caucutt, Armstrong, Bayless, Bradley, Buffington, Crampton, Grimsby, Hegg, Lucas, Mork, Newmark, Olsen, Walters, Weinig
Absent: Barsness
Staff: Sawyer, Anderson
Guest: Liz Ebbott

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 13, 1981, meeting were corrected: the \$500 from the Pillsbury Company was for INDIANS. The Minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: to be filed for audit.

	4/1/81	10/31/81
Assets	\$21,049.38	\$22,551.73
Liabilities	2,296.88	7,258.18
Net Assets	18,752.50	15,293.55

DISCUSSION on investment of Reserves: We're talking about \$13,000. We may switch funds from E. D. Jones to Dean Witter Reynolds because our investment person, Gren Norman, switched employers. Also, now all funds are becoming as flexible as checking accounts. Dean Witter will accept smaller increments. If we're willing to tie up our money for a longer time, we may get more than 17%. We must tell Mr. Norman by next week whether we want to tie up half of our reserves and how risky we want to be. We want maximum security, accessibility and risk-free for at least half of our reserves. Sense is to take Mr. Norman's advice and up to a 2½ year tieup.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT (Anderson): A surprise from Bell Telephone, \$1,000 pledged for Child Care. There are three appointments set up: Deluxe Check Printers, Otto Bremer Foundation, IDS.

DISCUSSION of INDIANS IN MINNESOTA: Liz Ebbott will be our coordinator. We have a \$5,000 Bigelow grant (and up to \$4,000 undesignated) but need a commitment to publish, since this money won't cover that. The book is the source for many groups: state government, Indian groups, schools. Will people pay \$8.00? Perhaps we can package the cost for INDIANS as a grant proposal. The cost shouldn't bother libraries or schools. We must remember, this is not a League study, and it was not asked for by League members. There will be an 18-month time frame. There is a risk: what if printing costs can't be covered except by reserves (which will be recovered after sales begin)?

MOTION: to authorize the researching, writing and publication of a revised edition of INDIANS IN MINNESOTA.

Mover: Lucas

Seconded: Buffington

Carried

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S CONSORTIUM: MOTION: that LWVMN renew the membership in Women's Consortium.

Mover: Olsen

Seconded: Buffington Carried

LWV-ROCHESTER TESTIMONY: A meeting of affected Leagues will be held December 9 and 10. The purpose is to coordinate testimony at MEA Hearings. There will be a memo in the BOARD MEMO inviting all interested Leagues.

UPPER RIVER BASIN COMMISSION: Jeanne Crampton read a letter from LWVMN to the Upper River Basin Commission now that public hearings are over. She would like to send copies to affected state Leagues.

BATTERED WOMEN'S CONSORTIUM: Lucas proposed that LWVMN join the Battered Women's Consortium for \$15. We decided to let Peggy join as an individual because this group is organized regionally, not statewide.

PROPOSED COUNCIL WORKSHOPS: Nadeen suggested that we begin at 1:00 p.m. instead of 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 19, to help far-away Leagues.

- 1) Two kinds of Presidents' Workshops - new and continuing.
- 2) There is a real outcry for small group discussion, both after every workshop and perhaps after a meal.
- 3) Need a time for "speak-up."
- 4) Other ideas: media instruction, P.R., education committee, fundraising, voters service - perhaps a Forum on Presidential Debates not at Silver Lake Camp, membership, chance for regional discussions among Leagues, delegate preparation for National, natural resources, career development.
- 5) Weinig suggested a workshop on handling hot issues.

PROBLEMS WITH RAFFLES: Confusing legal opinions; we must get opinion from Attorney General's office before we go ahead.

EDUCATION STUDY (Olsen): First priority is to prepare questions for local Leagues to ask. There are 30-50 to be interviewed. Outline settled and assignments made: philosophical issues; how's the current law working; other possible funding ways. Also check court cases and political climate. Assignments in outline form will be done by January, and rough draft for a booklet by March. There will be a booklet and maybe workshops and video tapes. There will be a separate study booklet for the League. The committee is very diverse, and consensus will be very difficult in our League. (LaNelle needs a chair and whip for the meetings!)

DEBATES: The news people would like to enliven format. Lots of hot air - no decisions.

NAME CHANGE: Moorhead League will spearhead drive (it passed our state Convention by a few votes). We'll ask national for legal/marketing research again. More hot air.

SHAKOPEE TOUR: Carol Bradley disappointed in few who are interested.

QUICK REVIEW OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES.

HOLIDAY PARTY: January 17th at Ruth Armstrong's house, 928 Lincoln, St. Paul (by First Grand Avenue Liquor Store, where Milton crosses Lincoln). 4:00 p.m. (See attached map.)

LONG RANGE PLANNING: Need to find a leader. Should be a simpler process than last year. We need to stay "in the habit."

RESOLUTIONS FOR PRECINCT CAUCUSES: Get your ideas to Action Committee by December 1.

AIWA: A report from Rosemary Ritchie - of state Leagues surveyed, 5 are against our resolution idea, 4 passed resolutions of their own on our Women's Athletic Program. For now, we'll wait and see.

Meeting adjourned - 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Caucutt, Secretary

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

Minutes of the Board of Directors

February 9, 1982

MEETING PLACE: State Office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN - 9:40 a.m.

Harriette Burkhalter, President, presiding.

ATTENDANCE: Board Members present: Burkhalter, Bayless, Walters, Bradley, Hegg, Mutsch, Tews, Newmark, Weinig, Olson, Duffy, Lucas, Barsness, Grimsby, Mork, Buffington.

Board Members absent: Caucutt, Armstrong, Crampton. (excused)

Staff Members present: Sawyer, Anderson, Thompson.

Guests present: Polly Keppel, Mpls., Judy Hove, Budget Chair

MINUTES: Corrections: Page 1, line 2, MINUTES, Change: "INDIANS" to "Child Care".

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the November 10, 1981 Board meeting as corrected.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED: Walters

CARRIED

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the January 12, 1982 Executive Committee meeting as written.

MOVER: Walters

SECONDED: Bradley

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT: Schmitz's contribution is not included in the list of individual contributions. That amount is increased to \$795. Income has not been too good recently. We have pledges of \$1200 for the next fiscal year. \$200 of it is restricted to 1982 VS projects.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Use the revised Treasurer's Report for December 31, 1981 to replace previous reports. In Program Services the percentage is projected. The actual amount is the dollar figure. The net worth figure is down from the beginning of the fiscal year. This happens as we near a PMP payment time. On the PMP status list, Minneapolis is not really an unpaid PMP. They are on schedule as we arranged with them. On the February 9 Treasurer's Report, the total shown under Expenses in the first column should read \$81,500.

We have actually kept \$4,000 in the Jones Fund. It should be shown as designated for Indians. Including the interest, that figure is \$4,057. The \$1,000 in the Jane Grey Swisshelm Fund should show in Dean, Witter.

	4/1/81	1/31/82
Assets	\$21,049.38	\$22,799.59
Liabilities	2,296.88	6,391.06
Net Assets	18,752.50	16,408.53

The report was filed for audit.

BUDGET: It was balanced as sent to the Board. There have been two changes. The secretary's contract states that if her service is satisfactory, she will receive a raise in pay after 3 months (Mar. 1). That salary increase will cause next year's full-time secretary figure to read \$10,750. On the income side, PMPs are going to be lower than expected. The current figure is based on 3300 members and the concept of a \$15 PMP with \$12 from new members. Basing the PMP on only 3000 members now, leaves a short fall of \$6,000.

The membership curve projected by Herb is holding. Last year was just a blip in it because of the concentrated effort.

Salary increases are a flexible item, also \$250 for unanticipated projects. The change in the PMP figure from \$16 to \$15 made a difference. At that time the salary increase

was set back at 7.5%. A fund raiser was used then to balance the budget.

The Scripto contract will be dropped so that cost can be removed from the budget.

A WATs line would make staff resources available to LLs easily. It reduces long distance costs and, theoretically, liaison calls. It would be on just one of the lines but would come in to all phones. It's an in/out operation. One way isn't much cheaper. We are going to have a recorder available - for free. We would contract for ten hours time per month. We will need to take great care in making use of it. The hours on the line can vary, but it increases the charge. It can be turned off to save money. Assistance to LLs will continue outside the WATs line. We would have to keep a log on calls.

The possibility of getting funding for it was mentioned. Michigan did, but it was assumed theirs was used just for CI calls. You would probably have to use it for a while to show a funder that that was indeed all it was being used for. That isn't our intent anyway. We can always drop it if it doesn't work out. We wouldn't want it used for voter information but we will get that if it's advertised on the PSA's.

Page 2 of Operating Expenses: there will be no audit expense. On Computer Service, the \$1100 bid is solid but may be high in that services are included we may not be using initially. The Budget Chair would like to have it used to produce a monthly treasurer's report that would show exactly how all categories stand.

Back to WATs - Mutsch thinks LLs need the liaison calls which are very often lengthy. Most of that calling is done on evenings and weekends when service is cheap. The WATs will probably be much more valuable to Action than SLL. There could be a saving in postage, paper and staff time. It was agreed again that much care will be needed in its use, and it is not to be used for lengthy liaison calls.

President's Club - all past and current LL presidents would be invited to meet once a year. Its purpose would be not only social but to build a support system. The \$410 figure would be our expense in organizing it but it would be self-supporting. A funding base might grow out of it.

Do we need to send three delegates to Convention? That is not a recommended option. We shouldn't lose a vote.

The Program support item gives Program chairs flexibility, with Board approval. The cost of a statewide committee meeting is \$75 minimum.

We would hope for funding for the ballot issues item. Program for Action will be re-printed. ACTS will go in the next budget. There is no income shown for P for A, but it's in there under Publication.

Mileage is currently 15¢ per mile. Ten cents is the proposed figure. Non-metro people feel limited by this. It could be possible for some to be charged to their committee item. Board mileage has become a problem. Many vouchers aren't being submitted apparently because they aren't being paid. There will be no reimbursement under 50 miles except for Board and Action meetings and lobbying. If any committee expense is used for mileage, those in shared positions will have to be particularly careful. If this should work a hardship on some people, then we are narrowing our choices of people for Board positions. Also discussed was why we're cutting mileage now at a time when fewer are submitting it, and since it's a comparatively small figure, how do we justify cutting it while installing a WATs line?

The cash flow problem continues to be very bad. We have to have two big income items. We will need a fund raiser and possibly individual contribution drive.

The Indian project will stretch over three budget years. There will be no income in '82-'83. We need more grant money. The cost of the book will be high if we don't get more.

Under IR, the committee expense is designated for traditional projects/expenses. There is no discretionary money.

Under VS, the \$400 covers purchase of PSAs for \$10 and \$370 for processing.

Under CI, the costs for Citizens in Action have been removed. Only income is shown. There is allocated operating expense for it and it should show somewhere. Add \$75 as a separate item. We will plan to reprint again in January, 1983.

We are projecting \$12,000 for Voters Guides based on $\frac{1}{2}$ grant money, $\frac{1}{2}$ sales. We figure \$14,000 income. Add \$2,000 to the cost figure. The necessity for the Voters Guide was questioned. That's the concern of VS. There was discussion about the possibility of generating income from the sale of VG's, and if they could be used to generate income if grant money were used. If there is profit, it would go into the general fund. It sells best if the money spent is tax deductible for the purchaser which means there would be no hard money for the budget. In kind printing would be very helpful.

Under Administration, the new budget allows for six Board meetings and meeting expenses for bylaws, nominating, budget, LRP committees and DPM's.

Under Development, marketing is a new Board position. This is a goal. Such a person would assess the market and then design a product for that market. Merchandising is just the reverse. We would be exploring what LLs want as well as outside markets.

There are no current possibilities whatever for a provisional League, so there is nothing allowed for one. The undesignated fund raising has been eliminated. It's reflected in other places and isn't really undesignated. There will be no income from a computer in this budget. We will be trying a service, not our own machine.

One big problem with a substantial fund raiser is finding someone to do it. Most of the money from any fund raiser would come from the metro area. That doesn't mean there's any need to share it.

DEBATES: Rosemary Ritchie is the project director. The new resolution has been approved by Common Cause and Augsburg. Last September it appeared we might exclude all but DFL and IR candidates. It is now possible that more could be involved. A poll can be arranged at the proper time.

MOTION: To invite minor party candidates to our Debate '82 if they receive 15% standing in an independent poll taken after the primary election.

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED: Weinig

CARRIED

CHILD SUPPORT: There appears to be a question about existence of concurrence. We are looking only at the second question. Four more non-metro Leagues have come in. Six still have to deal with it. Only four metro area Leagues are not doing it. 69% of members and 58% of LWV's support right now. There was discussion about the weight given non-metro Leagues and letting Leagues who chose not to participate influence the numbers. Using 1982 membership figures, results indicated a higher percentage of members concurring.

MOTION: That we have a state position on the basis of the reports we now have.

MOVER: Olson

SECONDED: Weinig

The LLs have been told a fair percentage of outstate Leagues should agree on any concurrence. Even with the almost unanimous agreement of those reporting, we can't assume the remaining non-metro Leagues will follow suit.

MOTION: To table the Motion.

Mover: Bayless

Second: Tews

Defeated.

MOTION: To table the Motion until later.

Mover: Mork

The motion died for lack of a second.

A decision from the executive committee two weeks from now would be too late.

The original motion was passed.

MOTION: To accept with deep regret the resignation of Erica Buffington from the LWVMN Board.

Mover: Tews

Second: Mutsch

Carried.

MOTION: To appoint Judy Duffy, LWV-Mahtomedi Area, to the LWVMN Board.

Mover: Tews

Second: Bayless

Carried.

REVISION OF AGENDA: Add VS under Discussion. Delete Jail Survey from Discussion.

MOTION: To appoint Ruth Armstrong to the nominating committee.

Mover: Bayless

Second: Walters

Carried.

MOTION: To approve Billie Franey, Chair-CMAL, Mertyce Mayne, Action-CMAL, Judy Soukup, Chair HCLWV, Jan Thompson, HCLWV rep. to Action committee, and Sharon Lammers, LWV-St. Croix Valley, as lobbyists for LWVMN.

Mover: Tews

Second: Newmark

Carried.

CITIZENS IN ACTION: The first printing is gone. Apache did 481 more. All sales are now clear profit. It will continue to sell for \$4, \$5 if mailed. There are bulk rates. It will be outdated by the end of March, so there needs to be a real push to sell it.

MOTION: That we designate CIA as our official fund raiser for 1981-82.

Mover: Tews

Second: Mork

Carried.

DAY ON THE HILL: We have \$400 for putting the morning session on videotape plus two interviews with legislators. We will produce a video cassette of Day on the Hill action to merchandisewith Citizens in Action.

CONVENTION: Hegg is funding her own trip. She could go as a delegate for another DELEGATES League. Convention is very beneficial for SLL. Many Action concerns are dealt with.

MOTION: To send as delegates to national Convention Burkhalter, Mutsch and Tews.

Mover: Walters

Second: Weinig

Carried.

Newmark is an alternate.

WORLD LAW DAY: Minneapolis is participating. There is no money involved.

MOTION: To cosponsor the May 2 World Law Day celebration by lending our name without financial support.

Mover: Bayless

Second: Tews

Carried.

CITIZENS FOR BETTER: They want a letter of welcome to the community to use in raising ENVIRONMENT money. Much of their money is raised door to door. They offer legal support for environmental cases. They specialize in hazardous waste - supply technical information. It was agreed not to provide the letter. There was a concern about fund raising conflicts. We will provide a statement saying we are familiar with their work in WI, etc.

HEALTH CARE: LLs are complaining about the national study - or lack of same. Why don't they use the built in resources they have - local Leagues - and forget about big grants. Some feel it is 'punishment' for selecting a non-recommended item.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO: Don't gear up LLs for a study and not produce.
NATIONAL The post Board summary idea is great, also About This Mailing.
We feel a lack of attention from national.

PROGRAM-MAKING: Why suggest another new item when we haven't done the last one. It was suggested we drop Health Care and go to a nuclear warfare item. We don't have to send that in. It will be in the hopper, and we can support it later. We could go with Health Care again with the stipulation that it be funded. Some thought people would be attracted by an update on the impact of Reaganomics on programs. Since all of these will be proposed anyway, we can discuss our direction later.

NAME CHANGE: Moorhead will propose the League of Voters. There are several organizations using that name - some of them of dubious reputation. It won't pass. Our own Convention vote on this was close and not well discussed. This is a bylaw change and has to go in with an actual name. Minneapolis will propose League of Wo/men Voters. We could support that. We will not submit a change, although it was noted that more attention is paid to state Board recommendations.

VS: IDS is going to videotape some precinct caucuses. They will take slides from this to be used before the next caucuses in schools and businesses. They are doing this at no charge.

SLL: Council agenda was okayed. The theme will be The Great Get-Together of '82. There will be an emphasis on sharing.

Liaison assignments remain satisfactory.

BUDGET: As it stands now, it is expenditures \$142,683, income \$136,672.
Unpaid bills on 3/31 don't go into new budget. They are usually paid out of reserves.

If LLs pay the entire pmp by 5/1, we can invest it and also help ease the cash flow problem during spring and early summer. The Leagues would get a 5% discount on their pmp. They are given patron member designation if they donate the discounted amount.

Add \$600 to interest, line 450. That leaves a short fall of \$5500 in round figures.

We need to discuss mals. National's lets them have direct mailing. It's up to local Leagues to instigate layers of membership. It's a matter of policy. We should try for general membership contributions. Put a request in the VOTER and recognize people who contribute. Have three different amounts and categories. Assume \$1000 of income from this.

Raise VG to \$8000.

Figure \$4000 from a fund raiser. Salary increases set at 7.5%.

Committee recommendations - invest in a computer/word processor. Split the Board into two sections. Explore a joint metro LWV office. Investigate mailings by computer. Set office hours as 10-4. Use 9-10 time for 800 calls.

MOTION: To approve the proposed 1982-83 budget.

Mover: Newmark

Second: Weinig

Carried

NATIONAL BUDGET CHAIR: She hopes not to deal in negatives. She sees the need of bylaw changes to strengthen the organization. Part of the problem is the budget process itself.

National will back off 50¢ on the pmp.

Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Thompson, Secretary, pro tem

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

Minutes of the Board of Directors

April 19, 1982

Harriette Burkhalter, President, presiding.

PRESENT: Burkhalter, Tews, Barsness, Mutsch, Caucutt, Armstrong, Bayless, Bradley, Duffy, Crampton, Grimsby, Hegg, Lucas, Mork, Newmark, Olsen, Walters.

Staff present: Sawyer

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT: MOTION: to accept with regret the resignation of Judy Weinig from the LWVMN Board.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: to assign the Public Relations portfolio to Marcia Walters.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

CONTRIBUTION TO D.C. AMENDMENT FIGHT: MOTION: to contribute \$25.00 to the D.C. amendment ratification campaign and take it from the program support fund in the Budget, #960.1.

MOVER: Tews

SECONDED

CARRIED

CONTRIBUTION TO ERA RALLY, June 30, 1982: MOTION: to pass the hat at Council for contributions to the ERA Rally, June 30, 1982.

MOVER: Lucas

SECONDED

CARRIED

FLORIDA, MEMBERSHIP BYLAW PROPOSAL:

Burkhalter asked for guidance from the Board concerning two proposals to be debated at the LWVUS Convention in Houston.

The Florida proposal involved hiring a consultant to do an "effectiveness" study of policies, structure and procedures of the LWVUS, with a \$40,000 price tag.

The proposed membership bylaw change would enable individuals to join LWV at any level. Part of the proposal was a plan to do a direct mail membership recruitment with a price tag of \$50,000.

Board discussion resulted in directing Burkhalter and LWVMN delegates to use their judgment at the convention with respect to these two proposals.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 11, 1983

Meeting Place: State Office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN, 9:30 a.m.
Jean Tews, President, presiding

Attendance: Board Members present: Tews, Hall, Mutsch, Barsness, Bayless, Hegg, Armstrong, Bradley, Crampton, Duffy, Grimsby, Keppel, Lucas, Mork, Newmark, Olsen, Peterson, Walters (none absent)
Staff, Off Board Chairs and Guests present: Sawyer, Anderson, Hove and Franey

MINUTES:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the October 12, 1982, board Meeting as mailed.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORTS (October, November and December, 1982, reviewed)

Assets:	\$ 23,656.58
Liabilities & Fund Balance	23,656.58
Net profit/loss	4,964.36

The Treasurer's Reports were filed for audit.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT: Beim Foundation and Wasie Foundation are new; there were many new contributors in response to Voters Service requests.

REVISION OF AGENDA:

Under Action: Report of call to LWVUS on Concurrence, Mork; request for presidents' list, Crampton; request from Governor's Quality Environmental Project, Grimsby; request from Women in Foundations, Barsness

Under Discussion: Deposit legislation, Crampton

Under Information: Report from Van Evera, Duffy and Convention, Mutsch

CMAL PERMISSION TO LOBBY TAX POSITION

MOTION: That the LWVMN Board grant CMAL dispensation from the state position on taxes in order that they may be able to respond to regional planning.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

There is no conflict with the State financing position. Discussion about setting a precedent, but it was noted there are no other ILOs. Motion CARRIED.

LOBBYIST APPROVAL

MOTION: To appoint the following lobbyists for LWVMN and CMAL:

Board: Tews, Bayless

Criminal Justice: Bradley, Nystuen, Thomas

Education: Armstrong, Kargas, Olsen, McWilliams, Hendrickson

Government: Duffy, Mork, Schmidt, Kurak

International Relations: Duffy

Natural Resources: Crampton, Grimsby, Fournier, Garlock

Social Policy/Human Resources: Lucas, Keppel, Fronek, Gentzkow

CMAL: Franey, Mayne

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

MARKETING CHAIR

MOTION: To establish a marketing position on the LWVMN Board for 1983-84.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

In the past projects have been done and put on a shelf. This would add one person, at a cost of about \$300.00 per year, but this position should be income generating. It was thought a Board person should be added first to get familiar and see what the needs are for a staff person. Motion CARRIED.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

MOTION: To approve the establishment of a Speakers Bureau as proposed in the agenda.

MOVER: Walters

SECONDED

Speakers last month earned about \$300.00 for LWVMN. If we actively market speakers, video programs, etc., we should earn much more. This could be set up now and have in place by the time a Marketing Chair is elected. Walters volunteered to handle this until the election of new officers. Motion CARRIED.

LONG RANGE PLANNING

MOTION: To approve Mary Santi, White Bear Lake/North Oaks, as Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: To approve the following for the Long Range Planning Committee: Sawyer, Tews, Mutsch, Newmark, Duffy, Eileen Moore, Lois Ann Helgeson, Ginger Sykes, Peterson, Hegg and Delores Hastings.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

MARCH FOCUS TOPIC

MOTION: That the topic for the LWVMN Focus Meeting be Worker's Compensation.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

The March Focus will be Tuesday, March 22 at the Edina Community Center, 4-9 p.m. We will have the use of the cafeteria, library, plus 2 rooms for \$75.00. Bayless said there was a possibility this issue would be handled early in the session and could be completed before the Focus. Discussion on who the audience would be. Discussion on the possibility of education--tenure and other issues--or water diversion (least audience because it is just becoming an issue). Discussion of what is a Focus meeting for--emerging issue, not necessarily a LWV program item, to inform the audience. Motion DENIED.

MOTION: That the topic for the March Focus speak to the issue of education.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

CARRIED

RECOGNITION OF LWV MORRISON COUNTY

MOTION: To recommend that the provisional LWV of Morrison County be granted recognition by the national Board.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

LWV CHASKA NAME CHANGE

MOTION: To recommend to the LWVUS Board that the LWV of Chaska, MN, be granted permission to change its name and basis of organization to the LWV of Eastern Carver County.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

COUNCIL '84

MOTION: To recommend that LWVMN '84 Council Meetings be held on Monday and Tuesday, April 30th and May 1st.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

MISSOURI RIVER BASIN

MOTION: That the LWVMN allow the League of Women Voters of the Missouri River Basin States to present their proposed statement (attached to agenda) to the Missouri River Basin States Association on February 10, 1983.

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

GIFTED AND TALENTED COALITION

MOTION: To support the Coalition for the Gifted and Talented's position statement as follows: "Whereas it is the responsibility of the state to meet the special educational needs of all children, we support adequate financing of public education programs to meet the needs of gifted and talented children."

MOVER: Armstrong

SECONDED

CARRIED

WORLD LAW DAY

MOTION: That LWVMN promote attendance at the Annual World Law Day Observance at the U of M on April 30, 1983.

MOVER: Duffy

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: To support the World Federalist Association (sponsors of World Law Day) seminar on peace making by publicity in Board Memo or other inexpensive manner.

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

MOTION: To approve the job descriptions (as attached to agenda) for LWVMN Boarders and off-Boarders.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

A job description for study chair should be written up similar to Part 5, Education, under Program Chairs, Program Areas, and that should be deleted in its present location because study is completed. Marketing Chair as approved earlier should be added to list. Duties of Secretary/Treasurer should be split as to Secretary (one position) and Treasurer (one position) with the following duties added to Secretary: notify all officers of election; with president sign contracts, when authorized; take responsibility for initiating state program making; assume larger role in liaison calls. Job Descriptions as revised herein. Motion CARRIED.

WOMEN IN FOUNDATIONS

MOTION: To offer LWVMN co-sponsorship of Women in Foundations proposed conference at the appropriate time, with no financial commitment.

MOVER: Barsness

SECONDED

Women in Foundations are staff level people working for foundations. They see a need to get more money into programs for women, particularly women in poverty. They are putting together a conference that would involve volunteer groups. Fundings would come through the foundations with which these women are involved. Motion CARRIED.

NATIONAL CONCURRENCE

MOTION: We approve sending copies of Night Letter from LWVUS to all local leagues as soon as we receive notification of LWVUS decision on concurrence and have a notification of the pending decision in the Board Memo going out January 18, suggesting that presidents call with questions.

MOVER: Mork

SECONDED

CARRIED

There was some discussion about guidelines as to participation, but it was noted that previously local leagues did not want to be dictated to by National. Mork informed us that at this time LWVUS did not know where the concurrence discussion was on the Board agenda as to which day to expect an announcement, and the staff did not know what plans would be made to publicize the decision, or whether all local leagues would be notified in advance of a press release.

MAILING LIST

MOTION: That CMAL Presidents List be given to Waste Management Board for mailing regarding reprocessing sites.

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

GOVERNOR'S QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

MOTION: That LWVMN participate in the Governor's Quality Environmental Project Awareness Program and, if possible, serve as one of the judges for this activity.

MOVER: Grimsby

SECONDED

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

COOKBOOK: The proposed cover was unveiled and everyone was very impressed. There was some discussion about the size of "League of Women Voters of Minnesota". Joanne Buie has done a fantastic job, working long hours, to organize, proof, design, etc. The cookbook will be ready for Convention and we will need to make a first payment to the printer immediately after Convention. Bolger Printing has been helpful in pointing out ways of getting publicity for the book.

REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

MOTION: That mileage be reimbursed at 15 cents per mile.

MOVER: Mutsch SECONDED SECONDED

MOTION: To reimburse all Board members for Board meetings, committee meetings, etc. required by their job description.

MOVER: Hall SECONDED CARRIED

OPERATING EXPENSES

MOTION: To approve Tentative Operating Expenses for 1983-84 as attached to agenda.

MOVER: Hall SECONDED

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION: To approve salaries, salary taxes and occupancy, items 9001, 9002 and 9003 of Tentative Operating Expenses for 1983-84 as attached to agenda.

MOVER: Newmark SECONDED

The interpretation is that approval would mean the figures in these three categories should not be changed by the Budget Committee, and that the remaining items could be changed if needed to balance the budget. Amendment CARRIED.

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION: To recommend to the Budget Committee as tentative costs for 1983-84 items 9004 through 9017 of the Tentative Operating Expenses.

MOVER: HALL SECONDED CARRIED

Main Motion CARRIED.

WATS LINE: It is not being used to capacity. By budgeting \$100.00 per month for collect calls, it would cost less than maintaining WATS line. Several people felt it was not fair to make a decision on the WATS line until after the Legislative session.

BUDGET: The preliminary budget reflects a \$11,000.00 deficit. What can be added to income? What can be deducted from expenses? Add an unidentified fund raiser category. increase sales, speakers bureau, possible door-to-door solicitation by paid fund raisers.

MOTION: To have a Silent Auction at Convention.

MOVER: Bayless SECONDED CARRIED

MOTION: That CMAL be assessed \$150.00 for use of the State Office 12 times a year or \$250.00 for 24 times a year.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CMAL presently uses the office whenever they want. There have been some problems because of lack of communication, but they have been worked out. A suggestion had been made that CMAL pay for use of the equipment. CMAL does not have fund raising, only an additional assessment of members. Discussion of CMAL finances and publications.

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION: CMAL be assessed \$250.00 for use of the office at their discretion according to arrangements with the State Office.

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

Main Motion CARRIED.

Further discussion on budget: Program for Action needs to be reprinted. More program items need to be added to take advantage of grant money. Additions should be given to Hove before Jan. 17 Budget Committee meeting. As soon as possible after that meeting a revised budget will be mailed to Boarders for review and consideration.

PUBLICATION AD

MOTION: To submit to LWVUS Prospectus the following items for advertising: Child Care, Guide to Program Planning, Citizens in Action, Minnesota Judiciary, Education Facts & Issues, School Discipline (slide show), other video tapes.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

Walters will do ads

MIKADO REPORT: \$2,431.69 was net profit. Some suggestions were to lower the price next time and to have it earlier, which could be done in a non-election year.

MEMBERSHIP: Preliminary reports indicate a slight increase in membership this year state-wide. Some leagues have shown marked increases, others marked decreases. Comments were made about the LWVUS campaign: overpriced materials, concern about retaining membership plan, publicity was not what it should have been, little feedback on radio spots, how many were actually aired?, lack of feedback on gains--where was the press release which should have come a week or two after the campaign ended?, Owatonna, which did an excellent job of pr, followed the campaign outline, etc. had a significant decrease in members--we'll have to wait for annual reports for an accurate accounting. Hegg will write a letter to LWVUS expressing concerns

CITIZENS IN ACTION: Added information this year, gold cover to differentiate from last year, will be ready end of the month--some problems getting needed information from Legislature.

DEPOSIT LEGISLATION: Dahl pulled out of sponsorship before Christmas. Kathleen Vellenga, St. Paul, will author in the House and help find author in Senate.

BOARD PARTY: At Lucas', 6:00 p.m. January 22. Sign up for items to bring.

INFORMATION

Judgment was entered in Federal Court for costs against Tom McDonald.

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National Security Workshop in Duluth February 10. Boarders are urged to attend as preliminary to Convention. The speakers may be kept over to speak the following morning. Duluth LWV will provide places to stay.

Walters reported that the clipping service provided 365 clips for a 6-week period throughout Minnesota that featured or mentioned LWV.

Newmark thanked everyone for all the help on Voters Service projects and was thanked for her excellent work in coordinating everything.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Hegg
Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

February 8, 1983

FEB 14 1983

Meeting Place: State Office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN, 9:30 a.m.
Jean Tews, President, presiding

ATTENDANCE: Board Members present: Tews, Mutsch, Barsness, Bayless, Hall, Armstrong, Bradley, Crampton, Duffy, Grimsby, Hegg, Keppel, Lucas, Mork, Newmark, Olsen, Peterson and Walters (none absent)
Staff, Off Board Chairs and Guests present: Sawyer, Anderson, Hove, Lucas, J. McWilliams and C. Bass

MINUTES:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the January 11, 1983 Board meeting with the following corrections: Gifted and Talented Coalition on page 3 to read in part: "MOVER: Armstrong, SECONDED, MOTION: To table until after the Education consensus is completed. MOVER: Bayless, SECONDED, CARRIED."

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

Reimbursement policy motion to read in part - "MOVER: Mutsch, SECONDED, CARRIED"

TREASURER'S REPORT

Assets:	\$ 19,830.63
Liabilities & Fund Balance	19,830.63
Net profit/loss	143.06

The serious cash flow problems were pointed out and there was a general discussion on ways to save money during the remaining months of this fiscal year. Elimination of one edition of the VOTER and dropping the WATs line were both rejected.

The Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

DEVELOPMENT REPORT: As presented in the agenda.

REVISION OF AGENDA

Under Action: Cookbook, Hall

Under Discussion: National concurrence, Mork; Day on Hill, Bayless; ERA, Lucas

Under Information: LRP Data Sheet, Mutsch

LOBBYIST APPROVAL

MOTION: To approve Emily Ann Staples as League lobbyist for ERA; Phyllis Letendre as a lobbyist for CMAL; Jan Roberg as lobbyist for Government; Andrea Grix, Leola Remple and Dorothy Lace as lobbyist for Natural Resources and Becky Kelso as lobbyist for Criminal Justice.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

UPDATE OF CIA VIDEOTAPE

MOTION: To approve the update of the Citizens in Action Videotape by April 1st using a donation from Betty Bayless' parents estate in the amount of \$1,500.00.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENSUS

Olsen and Armstrong presented the breakdown on local League response to the consensus questions: 59 responses were received at the state office and tallied, although all Leagues had indicated they had taken the consensus, for 89% of local Leagues and 42% of all members participated. There were several comments about the consensus questions and Olsen recommended that future committees try to get a professional to go over the questions beforehand, just as all publications have editors.

MOTION: That the Board approve the state consensus on school finance as follows:

"Financing for Equal Opportunity

"All Minnesota children should have equal access to a good public education. A student's access to a good education should not depend on the wealth of his or her school district nor upon the willingness of local voters to tax themselves. State funding for education should be at a level that makes programs of comparable substance and quality available to all.

"Details

"The LWVMN supports the concept of the foundation formula program. Any revisions in the current school finance law should:

- *provide adequate funding to meet the real costs of education,
- *encourage financial efficiencies,
- *continue the concept of state provided categorical aids,
- *support reorganization of school districts with extremely low enrollments,
- *allow local districts to raise a limited amount of additional funds for supplemental programs through local levies, since some locally raised money serves to protect local choice and ensure local accountability,
- *use the income tax as the mainstay of school funding,
- *maintain most social and recreational services now offered at schools, but seek alternative funding sources for many.

"There is little support within the LWVMN for public aid to private schools. League members are opposed to continuation of the current Minnesota private school tuition tax deduction.

"Correction of Racial Imbalance in the Schools

"The LWVMN supports increased state responsibility in creating equal public educational opportunities for all Minnesota children through measures to correct racial imbalance. The state should have the power to investigate, to set and enforce standards, and to give extra financial help to achieve these standards. (1967)"

MOVER: Olsen

SECONDED

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION: To strike the words "There is little support within the LWVMN for public aid to private schools."

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

Question raised regarding transportation. It is treated as a categorical aid and explained in history.

MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION: That the statement "League members are opposed to continuation of the current Minnesota private school tuition tax deduction" be amended to read "That the LWVMN cannot support increases in state aid to non-public schools."

MOVER: Mork

SECONDED

FAILED

MOTION TO AMEND MOTION: To change the word "protect" to "maintain" in the fifth * statement under Details.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND AMENDMENT TO MOTION: "To strike the words "since some locally raised money serves" from the fifth * statement under Details.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND MOTION

CARRIED

MOTION (setting forth position statement)

CARRIED

Applause. Thank you to the Education Study Committee for an excellent job. Discussion on what to do now that we have new position. There will be a press release but no press conference.

BUDGET

A proposed budget, still not in balance, was presented for discussion. Options were presented that would balance the budget. Income could be increased, but that is not realistic. The Field Service Assistant could be cut (\$433), WATs line dropped, or reduce program/staff hours. Discussion on allocated operating expenses being high and ways to cut operating expenses - more volunteer hours.

MOTION: To cut the Field Service Assistant funds from the proposed budget.

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

Discussion on deficit coming out of current fiscal year. Hall indicated she does not know what it will be. This is a continuing problem and one that the cookbook is designed to eliminate if it is a successful project. Therefore, it is extremely important that Convention delegates realize the importance of the cookbook project.

MOTION: That we approve the proposed budget as amended by cutting the Field Service Assistant funds.

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

COALITION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED

MOTION: To take from the table the motion "to support the Coalition for the Gifted and Talented's position statement as follows: 'Whereas it is the responsibility of the state to meet the special educational needs of all children, we support adequate financing of public education programs to meet the needs of gifted and talented children.'"

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: That we support the Coalition's position statement.

MOVER: Armstrong

SECONDED

There is no conflict with our new position. The question was raised whether we are putting too much emphasis in one area because so many LWVMN members are involved personally. This is a renewal of support. Motion CARRIED.

LWV CASS LAKE NAME CHANGE

MOTION: To recommend to the LWVUS Board that the LWV of Cass Lake, MN be granted permission to change its name and basis of organization to the LWV of Cass Lake-Walker Area.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

LWVUS COUNCIL DELEGATES

MOTION: To select Jean Tews and Peggy Lucas to attend LWVUS Council in Washington, D.C. on May 14-18, 1983 as LWVUS delegates.

MOVER: Armstrong

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: To select Judy Duffy as an alternate delegate to LWVUS Council.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

MOTION: To approve the job descriptions (as attached to agenda) for Study Chair, Nominating Committee and Office Management Committee.

MOVER: Mutsch

SECONDED

CARRIED

U OF M AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

MOTION: To approve the U. of M. Agricultural Extension Service request for LL Presidents' list.

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

FOCUS VIDEOTAPING POLICY

MOTION: The LWVUS should videotape FOCUS meetings only when the subject matter would be used enough to pay for the cost of taping it.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

All factors should be considered and decision made by FOCUS committee and costs of videotaping added in. This is primarily a policy statement. Motion CARRIED

VIDEOTAPE DEPOSIT/CHARGE POLICY

MOTION: The LWVUS should require a deposit of \$25 on each audio-visual tape or film or other resource material checked out of the office. \$15 will be refunded when the material is returned to the office undamaged. \$25 will be refunded to local League users. The borrower pays for the postage and handling.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

Staff costs in handling and insurance should be added into handling charge. Motion CARRIED

COOKBOOK

MOTION: THAT LWVMN approve the use of consignment in selling cookbooks and each local League would be allowed a number on consignment equal to the number of books paid for at the time of Convention.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: That the Cookbook Committee be allowed to borrow \$500.00 from LWVMN reserves for start-up money to allow for separate accounting of costs, the money to be paid back June 20, 1983.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

ADDITIONAL REVISION - CMAL ASSESSMENT

MOTION: That LWVMN accept CMAL request to accept \$100 worth of publications in lieu of the \$100 increase in dues assessment.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

Discussion of how many publications, at what price, how will they be marketed, does this set a precedent for local Leagues, will be able to sell \$100 worth of publications. CMAL is selling "Who's In the Drivers Seat" for 25¢ per copy. Can we turn around and sell it for more and be able to sell (CMAL will let us set our own price).

MOTION TO AMEND MOTION: That \$100 worth of publications be changed to read 400 copies of "Who's in the Drivers Seat?"

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: To table this action until March and to find out specifics as to what pubs, how many, at what price, what markets have they offered it to and where has it been given away.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

1984 COUNCIL SITE: Hotel rates: Sheraton \$53.60 for a double room, meals from \$7.25 to \$14.25; Ramada \$54.00 for a double room and meals from \$6.00 to \$16.00. Cost is a factor. At a hotel the room cost alone is about the same as the entire package at a retreat. Discussion of various retreats and what they offer.

MOTION: To have Nadeen Mutsch select a nice retreat for 1984 Council site.

MOVER: Walters

SECONDED

CARRIED

SILENT AUCTION: Carolyn Fronek of Minneapolis will co-chair if someone else can be found. A couple of suggestions were provided.

ED FUND FOR LWVMN: Barsness reported that New York LWV has done a survey and Illinois LWV has done a publication. The committee is still getting information from others and hope to have something concrete to present at Convention.

COOKBOOK: By March 8 everything will be in place regarding the marketing plan; will request each League to have a local sale; haven't decided about direct mail but

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nothing will conflict with local League having a chance to make money (\$1.00 per book); working on a flyer but haven't decided whether to send it to every member; looking for volunteers to operate word processors, need to have work done by March 1 for printer.

NATIONAL SECURITY STUDY: Every-member pub is not ready. There will be a workshop at Convention. The deadlines have been extended for consensus and the first is end of October instead of July 1. The speaker at Convention will be Doug Nord, a political science professor at UMN (not confirmed yet because of question of honorarium)

MOTION: That LWVMN offer the Convention speaker a \$100 honorarium to be figured into the Convention Delegate package cost.

MOVER: Duffy

SECONDED

CARRIED

INDIANS IN MINNESOTA: Report by K. Anderson. Need to hire editor - will advertise in Board Memo.

APRIL BOARD RETREAT: Possible locations suggested away from LWVMN office. Is it appropriate to invite those who will be on Board next year before election has taken place? From a time standpoint, it appears necessary to do so. Retreat will include an orientation for new people, starting with tour of state office. Outlook due at that meeting. Calendar for next year to be decided then. Any other suggestions, particularly with regard to what to include in orientation should be sent to Tews.

NATIONAL CONCURRENCE: Information given to Board as to why LWVUS announced the position earlier than planned. Members felt an explanation should be given to local Leagues via Board Memo. Some letters of resignation have been received at LWVMN office. Mutsch and Hegg will draft response letter.

DAY ON HILL: Lt. Governor is tentative speaker for Wednesday evening.

ERA: Consortium will meet next week to decide next strategy.

FOCUS: Crossroads in Education on March 22 will consider technology, future of teaching and reorganization from ten years from now and beyond.

INFORMATION

Mutsch distributed a questionnaire for Board members to fill out for Long Range Planning data.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Cathy Hegg
Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Meeting Place: State Office, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN 9:30 a.m.

Nadeen Mutsch, First Vice President, presiding

Nadeen announced that President Tews was flying to Sauk Centre with Governor Perpich to view the correctional facility there.

Attendance: Board Members present: Hall, Walters, Keppel, Bayless, Grimsby, Lucas, Crampton, Armstrong, Olsen, Duffy, Newmark, Barsness
Board Members absent: Tews, Hegg, Bradley, Mork
Staff, Off Board Chairs and Guests present: Sawyer, Anderson

MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the February 8, 1983, Board Meeting as mailed.

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: to correct the minutes of the January 11, 1983 Board Meeting as follows:
under MEMBERSHIP on page 6, lin3 8..."had a significant decrease in members..."
Change "decrease" to "increase"!

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

Assets	\$19,079.99
Liabilities & Fund Balance	19,079.99
Net profit/loss	2,167.54-

Hall reported that Pat Lucas has changed the remaining budget to what we can reasonably expect the figures to be. We shall probably have a net loss of about \$3,000 by March 31, 1983. The staff has the authority to take from reserves as needed to cover expenses. It was noted that the Debates Director's stipend of \$2,000 was changed from Salaries to Debates in the expenses report. It was also noted that \$1,000 must stay in the Swisshelm fund.

MOTION: To file the Treasurer's Report for audit.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT REPORT: Barsness complimented Anderson's work on the new annual report. It looks good and came in \$200 under budget. It is one page less than last year's.

REVISION OF AGENDA

Under Action: Approval of sending presidents list to Office of Special Programs, Agricultural Extension Service - Walters; bring from the table the CMAL assessment - Bayless; cookbook budget revision - Hall.

Under Discussion: Voter Service Award ideas - Newmark.

Under Information: FOCUS update - Peterson; Women in Foundations conference - Barsness.

AUDIT DECISION

MOTION: That the LWVMN select Roy H. LaFayette, CPA, as our accountant.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: That the LWVMN opt for a "compilation" of LWVMN's financial statements, to include filing of IRS for 990 and 990-T and our report to State Department of Commerce.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

1998

MOTION: To adopt the submitted newsconference procedures. guidelines.

It was recommended that new Board members get copies of our policy sheets. Sawyer stated that this is being done. Hall requested the use of the word "guidelines" rather than policy or procedures. This was accepted as a friendly amendment. MOTION CARRIED.

NOMINATION TO LWVUS BOARD

MOTION: That the LWVMN Board of Directors recommend Harriette Burkhalter to the LWVUS Nominating Committee for service on the national Board.

CARRIED

LOBBYIST APPROVAL

MOTION: To approve as Gifted and Talented lobbyists for LWVMN Eydie Kargas (Wayzata) and Connie Hondl (Edina).

CARRIED

Bayless distributed an updated list of LWVMN Volunteer Action Committee. It was noted that Kargas should be added as a lobbyist under Government.

STATE PROGRAM MAKING

Grimsby reported that 42 Leagues had responded. She said that Government seemed to attract the most interest in new studies. Eighteen Leagues asked for a new study on financing or size of state government; six asked for studying the state tax system. Other areas of interest for new studies were: Criminal Justice-women's issues; Human Resources-financing the state hospital system; Education-post secondary education and looking at tenure laws; and Natural Resources-water rights and hazardous wastes.

Peterson recommended that local Leagues be given clear definitions of the terms study, update, and action. There is confusion about the program making process and what can be done with an update. Olsen cautioned the Board to think carefully about the size of a study before we adopt it. Comments regarding program decision: local Leagues look to state for a study; we should look long range to see if the topic will still be relevant a few years from now; we must consider the type of and how much action we can do with a topic; Duffy commented that our positions on property tax and deficits are very vague. Bayless stated that LWVMN has no position in the area of post secondary education. Questions: Should we recommend any program item? Mutsch repoded that our by-laws state that for non-recommended items a majority of the convention must ask for consideration of a topic. In order for that topic to be adopted, a 3/5 majority must vote for it at a following day.

MOTION: That the LWVMN Convention choose from among the following non-recommended items and adopt one for study.

1. Study of Legislature, function, size, and cost.
2. Study the Minnesota state tax structure in its entirety.
3. Financing of the state hospital system.
4. Financing post secondary education in Minnesota.
5. Study of water rights use and diversion in Minnesota with emphasis on regional impact.

CARRIED

MOTION: That the LWVMN Board present for approval by the Convention support of our present positions.

CARRIED

CONTAINER CONSERVATION COALITION

MOTION: To approve the LWVMN joining the Container Conservation Coalition. (January, 1983)

MOVER: Crampton

SECONDED

CARRIED

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE

MOTION: That the registration fees for State Convention be determined by Service to Local Leagues Chair and the staff.

MOVER: Walters

SECONDED

The Convention costs are not finalized yet. The current range for delegates is \$40-45 and for presidents is \$60-65. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF 1983 LWVMN CONVENTION AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the enclosed recommended 1983 Convention agenda.

MOVER: Peterson

SECONDED

Discussion followed regarding the Convention timeline. The Board gave Mutsch the authority to change the schedule as needed.

Mutsch noted that state Board members do not come as local delegates. State Board Chairs who are giving awards should determine the costs of their awards and get those figures to Mutsch and Peggy Thompson. MOTION CARRIED.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

MOTION: To add "... and the report made available to the membership." at the end of LWVMN By-Laws Article IV, Section V.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: That the LWVMN By-Laws Article III, Section 3 not be changed.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

Discussion on By-Law Committee Report #3. The pros and cons of this proposed change were discussed. The By-Laws Committee recommended that "a committee be appointed to study in depth because this is a major policy change--arrange for full member discussion and recommendation."

MOTION: That a committee be established to study the issue of PMP as a prerequisite to voting at a state Convention. This committee should report to State Council '84.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

FAILED

MOTION: That LWVMN establish a committee composed of Board and non-Board members to study a definition of a "recognized local League" in terms of our by-laws to report to Council '84.

MOVER: Newmark

SECONDED

CARRIED

It was noted that Article VI, Section 1 of the LWVMN By-laws addresses recognition of local Leagues. LWVUS does allow state Leagues to make some decisions regarding number of members necessary to establish and continue a League. It was suggested that we include an article at the end of our by-laws regarding PMPs.

MOTION: To reconsider the previous motion.

MOVER: Grimsby

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: To amend the reconsidered motion to read - That the LWVMN establish a committee composed of Board and non-Board members to study the possible addition to the by-laws a statement concerning financial support for LWVMN.

MOVER: Olsen

SECONDED

CARRIED

MOTION: That "... or an at-large member of the LWVMN." be added to Article VIII, Section 3 of the LWVMN By-laws.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

CARRIED

LOCAL LEAGUE PRESIDENTS LIST

MOTION: To send the list of local League presidents to the Office of Special Programs, Agricultural Extension Service.

MOVER: Walters

SECONDED

The list will be used to send program flyers regarding Town & Country Day. LWVMN agreed in October to be a co-sponsor of this program. MOTION CARRIED.

CMAL ASSESSMENT

MOTION: That the LWVMN accept CMAL's decision to pay \$250 assessment rather than accept their publications as payment.

MOVER: Bayless

SECONDED

CARRIED

COOKBOOK BUDGET REVISION

MOTION: That the LWVMN accept the new cost of the cookbook as \$20,780.

MOVER: Hall

SECONDED

The printing costs have escalated and a more durable cover was chosen. MOTION CARRIED.

COALITION FOR THE GIFTED AND TALENTED

MOTION: To approve the Chapter By-laws for the Coalition of Gifted and Talented.

MOVER: Armstrong

SECONDED

The purpose for establishing the by-laws was to join the National Association for Gifted Children. Armstrong stated that it is helpful to be part of a national organization so one can use what other states are doing or have done for testimony. Questions raised: Would this require us to pay money for membership dues? Does the coalition need to join the national organization since the Council for Gifted and Talented is already a member? The coalition was formed to get some things accomplished through the Legislature, i.e. get some money. The coalition is the lobbying arm. MOTION TABLED. Armstrong will pursue the following information: Why does the coalition need to join the national association? What is the policy on dues? Clarify the voting procedure under Article IX, Section 1. Define quorum.

DISCUSSION

OUTLOOK/CALENDAR PLANNING

The Board worked through the LWVMN Calendar for the coming fiscal year. Board members are asked to schedule events and work on their section of the OUTLOOK. OUTLOOK information is due at the April Board meeting. The Board recommended that the liaison calls be made in October. The fall workshops are also a good time to make liaison contacts if possible. It was suggested that the theatre benefit date be announced earlier in the year.

APRIL RETREAT AGENDA

The following suggestions were given as possible things to include at the April Retreat. Each Board member give a short explanation of their portfolio and/or what they do. Invite new Board members to the state office to tour it first and then go to the retreat. Add a map of the state office to the general information sheet about the office. (Map should include where things are, etc.)

Board policies, procedures, and responsibilities should be discussed.
There should be some time to work with your counterpart.
Board members should get together with their counterpart before the meeting to do their OUTLOOK section.
Request for a time set aside for pictures of the retreat for the VOTER.

COOKBOOK REPORT

Barsness reported that 350 tested, edited recipes were taken to Bolger Press on March 3, 1983. Twenty more recipes are being tested. The recipes are being put on the word processor now. This will take three weeks. The committee is still hoping to meet the May 15 deadline.

Hall reported that there is a cookbook marketing meeting March 9. They will determine instructions and suggestions to local Leagues on how to market the cookbook. They are asking each local League to have a Cookbook chair. 30% of the recipes are original.

BOARD MEMO

A full Board Memo mailing will be sent in March. A mini-mailing will be sent in April.

VOTER SERVICE AWARD

Newmark asked for input regarding the type of Voter Service Award to give. She is considering a framed parchment done in calligraphy. Mutsch and Walters volunteered to help Newmark select the recipient of the award. They will meet after May 1.

WOMEN IN FOUNDATIONS

Barsness reported that this group is planning an April or May conference to focus on the needs of single low income women. They are hoping some action will come of this. Their view is that not enough foundation money is going to support women and girls. A proposal has been written to the McKnight Foundation.

INFORMATION

FUTURES IN EDUCATION FOCUS

Peterson encouraged Board members to attend and to distribute flyers to appropriate areas in their locales.

GROUND ZERO FIREBREAKS

Duffy is looking for interested participants to play this game. 8-55 players can be involved. Meeting time will be scheduled to the convenience of participants. The game is 4, 1-2 hour sessions.

ASSIGNMENTS

OUTLOOK material is due April 12, 1983.

Study Publication list changes and submit to the office by the April Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Juanita Peterson, Acting Secretary