



League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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MEMO

TO: Program Chairs, lobbyists

FROM: Jean Tews

SUBJECT: Action Committee Budget

DATE: 12/18/81

ACTION (900.1) Expense

Total budget (not including operating expense) for 1981-82 year	\$1958.00
Expenses to 12/15/81	<u>1169.39</u>
Balance	788.61

Committee Budget(part of the above total)	\$368.00
Estimated expense*	<u>234.00</u>
Balance	\$134.00

*Our auditor has the first four months of our records -- all of them-- journals, checkstubs, cancelled checks, vouchers. We only have total expense figures for April, May, June, July and April and May involved reimbursement of lobbyist expenses because the Legislature was in session. We don't know how much of those earlier expenses were returned to the LWVMN Budget in the form of non-cash contributions. There were about \$15.00 in non-cash contributions from August on.

ACTION COMMITTEE

December 1, 1981

Present: Duffy, Buffington, Tews, Bayless, Crampton, Grimsby, Kurak, Garlock, Lucus, Mayne, Burkhalter, Bugenstein, Fisher.

PRECINCT CAUCUS RESOLUTIONS: Copies of last year's are available.

Constitutional Convention - we have no position, but we are concerned. This comment should be included with the resolution on the subject.

Criminal Justice - none.

Education - Armstrong not available.

NR - Resolved that this party support increased reduction of waste for the protection of agricultural land and conservation of energy, by use of products in reusable or recyclable containers, implementing such reuse and conservation by any economic incentives necessary.

There also will be one on clean air.

Buy America - concept is at odds with all League trade positions. There has been discussion in the legislature about repeal but no action.

In the past we have suggested resolutions on ERA, measures to improve the shortage in low and middle income housing, environmental protection, the BWCA, air/water quality, reduction in size of legislature, income tax, tax exempt property and sentencing decisions.

We will include a resolution on reduction of the legislature. We can use the cost cutting rationale. There will be no finance resolutions.

ACTION COMMITTEE BUDGET: No figures available. We will discuss it at the next meeting.

SPECIAL SESSION: They will break on 12/18 probably. Everything is at a stalemate.

There's talk about increasing and adding to the sales tax. We have no position except on 'sin' tax. We can support an income tax increase in times of revenue need.

The question of regional taxes was raised. It was considered by the legislature at one time. It would affect CMAL. Our position doesn't cover regional taxes. CMAL would have to have its own position.

Buffington has talked to a reporter from the Tribune about our campaign financing position. The national position on check-off is specific. She gave the reporter a definite statement saying we oppose elimination of the check-off.

Cost of the session - it will be high because of the way the Governor's proposals are being handled. Should the League respond to this?

We can oppose much of the Governor's program, but we have no recommendations. We have no position on taxing services or increasing licensing. Our position was reached during a very flush time and it makes it difficult to apply it now. There is no talk of making internal cuts. There are many high cost administrative areas.

It was decided to issue a press release, a letter to the Governor, a letter to the legislators and a guest editorial - the latter in more depth. They will include the League position, that we oppose cuts to local governments and schools - anything affecting property tax. We will mention what this session is costing, as well as

the cost of the two previous sessions and will urge the legislature to get busy. An update of the tax position will be sent to LLs. Bayless will check out the cost of the sessions with the Finance Department.

Block Grants - what is done with them will be influenced by cuts made by the special session. We should be watching this. Lucas will find someone to follow this through the special session. The League should have input.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: Tews reported for Bradley. Bradley wants to establish criteria for how to look at a correctional facility. Her suggestions are attached to these minutes for consideration at the next Action Committee meeting.

EDUCATION: Armstrong needs more lobbyists.

November-December payments are being deferred. Most districts can manage but now there's talk of deferring until February. Can the schools support the state? The special session will definitely be dealing with education through it's work with money.

GOVERNMENT: The current open meeting law is vague and leads to frustrating situations for citizens, especially in the rural area. A person from Common Cause has written a new law. It's very good and the League can support it. Buffington will look for sponsors for it.

Buffington will reestablish her legislative tax committee.

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Focus is ready to go. Crampton is observing the Energy Policy Development Commission.

The Pig's Eye suit is pending. The LWVMN is, de facto, part of the suit. National sees no objection.

We have heard from Iowa and Illinois on the Mississippi River Corridor Master Plan. Iowa has given testimony and Illinois goes along with what they did. Crampton and Grimsby will set up committee on deposit legislation. December 10th, Natural Resources Chairs, Burkhalter and Tews will meet with representatives of local Leagues involved in Sherco III issue.

SOCIAL POLICY: The LL response to ERAGA has been great - about \$1000. The large checks have gone to the state, the small ones to individual Leagues. They will send us reports when their legislature meets. They have their WATS line and intern.

Child Support - concurrence is coming along. At the next meeting we will be pulling them together for the state position.

Council of Economic Status of Women - under the present set of appointees, they could vote to disband. Rothschild has asked the League to monitor the Council closely. This may be a year of survival only.

Lucas will contact the ABC League about the Voss bill that deals with improving the civil service system, making it more open to women.

IR: World Trade Week, Inc. has planned regional meetings for World Trade Week. League people are serving on various committees and are to contribute something more than hostessing. The theme is "Can MN Survive World Markets."

Apartheid - Bayless has been contacted by a new person. He has been insistent about our participation in the promotion of legislation and wanted to present it to the state Board. When he was told the Board would not meet until February, he realized it was too late for legislative timing.

CMAL: A letter has gone to the metro Task Force on Health. It stated their support on efforts to find further funding. There still has been no hearing on metro governances. It's to be heard by a joint legislative committee on metro government. They have made a statement to the Metro Council on storm water management proposals.

COALITIONS: Gifted and Talented - Kargas and others conducted a workshop on lobbying at the MEA Convention for educators of the gifted. The Council is staying in the Coalition. The LLs should have background on the Coalition.

Citizens Lobby - we should contact them about their action during the special session. We share many concerns.

Job-sharing - Lucas is on the advisory board. It's made up of representatives from labor, insurance companies, legislators and individuals. Things were very upbeat at first. Many agencies wanted to participate. There were problems with reorganizing the bargaining units. Agencies started dropping away under pressure of budget cuts and bureaucratic problems. Potential job-sharers are cautious because they can't bump back in on full-time positions. There are ten shared positions now out of 50 potential. Senator Berglin wants to extend the project. There's little to evaluate so far but there has been nothing negative. The Coalition of 15,000 didn't work for it last time but now should be interested.

Women's Consortium - hiring staff. They will hold a fund raiser January 26th. They have seed grant money. Brown bag lunches will be at their new office - 316 W. University - which is inconvenient. It would be better to find someplace at the Capitol to continue to meet. If that is impossible, Lucas will suggest the possibility of using the League office on Mondays or Wednesdays. We can send the fund raiser invitations in the December mailing and give them other names. There isn't much else we can do.

Get your lists of lobbyists to Tews.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

CRITERIA FOR WOMEN'S CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

(Listed in order of importance according to Carol Bradley. Look over for additions and/or changes in order of importance)

1. A 'women only' facility.
2. Firesafe buildings with adequate heat and water.
3. Security (a fence to keep people out and allow freedom of movement within).
4. Convenient accessability to families (70% of female offenders within facility are mothers of minor children. Because most are poor, the investment in transportation time and money to see their mothers should be as little as possible. Contact with families very important.)
5. Space available for programs.
6. Space available for recreation.
7. Public transportation available.
8. Compatible with community.
9. Community resources available.
10. Relocation of present employees. (The rapport between staff and offenders a positive at Shakopee.)

AGENDA
State Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 10, 1981 - 9:30 a.m.
Coffee, tea, and pop - bring your own "bag"

9:30 a.m. - Determination of quorum and Call to Order

Mins.

- 5 Minutes of the October 13 Board Meeting*
- 5 Treasurer's Report for October/Caucutt
- Development Report/Barsness

REVISION OF AGENDA

ACTION

- 15 INDIANS IN MINNESOTA commitment/Lucas
- 3 Minnesota Women's Consortium/Lucas/Tews
- 5 LWV-Rochester Testimony at MEA Hearings/Crampton/Grimsby

DISCUSSION

- 15-20 Council '82/Leadership Workshops/Mutsch
- 3 Visits and Contacts with Local Leagues/Mutsch
- 10 Public School Finance Study Report/Olsen
- 10 Debates '82/Newmark
- 10 Plan for Name Change Campaign/Burkhalter
- 10 Tour of Shakopee Women's Correctional Facility/Bradley
- 10 Budget Committee Recommendations/Hove
- 5 Holiday Party/Burkhalter
- 5 Long Range Planning/Burkhalter

INFORMATION

- Local League Bulletin Distribution/Mutsch
- Energy Focus/Crampton/Grimsby/Bayless
- Health Care Focii/Pugliese/Bayless
- Natural Resources/Don't Waste America Meeting/Crampton
- Service to Local Leagues/Thompson

CALENDAR

Upcoming events, deadlines, as we have them on the calendar in the office.

- November 7 - Financing Education Committee, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., state office
- 9 - CMAL Study Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 10 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 12 - Tour of Shakopee Correctional Facility for Women, 11:30 a.m.
- 13 - Don't Waste America meeting, state office (see Information)
- 14 - Citizen Lobbyist Conference, College of St. Thomas
- 16 - CMAL Study Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 17 - Lobbyist Training, 9:30 a.m., state office
- First Class BOARD MEMO mailing
- 19 - Lobbyist Training, 1:00 p.m., state office
- Third Class BOARD MEMO mailing
- 26-27 - Holiday, Office Closed
- 30 - CMAL Study Committee - 9:30 a.m., state office
- December 1 - Action Committee (tentative) - 9:30 a.m., state office
- 3 - Third-Quarter PMP due in state office
- 3 - CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 8 - LWVMN Budget Committee, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, state office

*Mailed previously; bring with you to meeting.

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BOARD MEMO material is DUE at the end of the November 10th Board meeting.

ROUTINE ATTACHMENTS: Voucher (green); planning form (blue)

ACTION

1. MINUTES: MOTION: to approve the minutes of the October 13, 1981, Board meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report (enclosed - green) - to be filed for audit.
3. Development Report:

Funds received (or pledged) since October Board meeting:

International Multifoods - \$500 received for Citizen Lobbyist Workshop
Northwestern Bell Telephone - \$1,000 pledged for Child Care Focus
Northwestern Bank Corporation Foundation - \$1,500 undesignated

Requests have been submitted to:

Elizabeth C. Quinlan Foundation	Margaret Rivers Fund
International Dairy Queen	General Mills Foundation
MEI Corporation	(could not get appointment this year)
Data Card Corporation	Cherne Foundation
The Beim Foundation	Glen M. Dye Pako Foundation Trust
Chadwick Foundation	Liberman-Okino Foundation
Margaret H. & James E. Kelley Foundation	Harris Foundation
Dellwood Foundation	Arthur & Constance Goodman Family Foundation
Laura & Walter Hudson Foundation	
Hersey Foundation	

Appointments are pending with:

DeLuxe Check Printers, Inc. - Wednesday, November 11th, 10:00 a.m. - Barsness & Arden Hills/Shoreview person
Otto Bremer Foundation - Friday, November 13th, 11:00 a.m. - Barsness and Newmark
IDS - Tuesday, November 17th, 11:00 a.m. - someone from LWVMN and LWV-Minneapolis

REVISION OF AGENDA

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

Background Information

(See attached budget - white).

With Board approval it appears that the time has come to begin the re-researching and rewriting of the book, INDIANS IN MINNESOTA. A grant of \$5,000 has been received from the F.R. Bigelow Foundation for the project. The LWVMN Board (September, 1979) authorized redoing INDIANS IN MINNESOTA. The project was included in the state budgets for 1980-81 and 1981-82, which were adopted at state Council '80 and state Convention '81 respectively.

The Bigelow money should carry the project up to the printing (we also have \$4,000 in undesignated funds to draw on), if necessary by deferring paying for some of the expenses until after the book is published.

Covering the actual printing costs remains a question. Additional grants may be forthcoming. League is also in the position where it can use resources built up in the past through sale of publications as the seed money. The length of the book and other factors affecting cost can be modified, if necessary. With faith, enthusiasm, and hard work, it seems probable that money problems can be solved.

It is important though, at this time, as the project begins, that there be a commitment on the part of the Board to carry the revision of INDIANS IN MINNESOTA through to the publishing of a book, similar in size and quality to the previous two editions of INDIANS IN MINNESOTA. Without a book as the end product, it is questionable that

the research work is worth the effort. It is my hope that the Board agrees and shares with me the faith and enthusiasm to carry the project through to a successful conclusion.

You may be interested in a brief background of the League's involvement with Indian studies in Minnesota. At the 1960 state Convention, Indians, a non-recommended item, was approved as a study item. The first book was published in 1962. This was totally redone in 1971 and again totally re-researched in 1974. The books were the basis of League study and consensus in the 1960s and for League updating in later years. The last two editions have been used extensively by university and high school classes to understand modern Indian problems. Indian groups and governmental agencies have used INDIANS IN MINNESOTA to document needs and to plan programs. Through the scope and quality of the book, LWVMN has earned the reputation of serving the state's Indian communities. Since programs and problems are continually changing, it is time that the 1974 INDIANS IN MINNESOTA should be updated. The intent of this project is to use individual League members as committee people and to work with local Leagues near Indian communities where there is interest. The timetable projects about 18 months until publication. Local Leagues may wish to reeducate themselves when the book is published, but it is not intended to be a "League study."

5. Minnesota Women's Consortium: MOTION: that LWVMN renew the membership in the Minnesota Women's Consortium.

Background Information

Dues are \$35.00, which we can pay for with our cut of the activity book we're selling (\$2.00 each).

6. LWV-Rochester Testimony: MOTION: to send a letter in the November BOARD MEMO requesting attendance from all affected Leagues at a meeting in early December to discuss LWVMN testimony at MEA hearings.

Background Information

The MEA hearings on NSP's Certificate of Need for SHERCO III will begin in early February. LWV-Rochester is preparing testimony. Crampton, Grimsby, and Mutsch will draft letter for the BOARD MEMO.

DISCUSSION

7. Council '82/Leadership Workshops: Refer to enclosed letter from Nadeen.
8. Visits and Contacts with Local Leagues: Based on four reasons, Peggy and Nadeen need to know who is visiting local Leagues: (1) what and how many Leagues are being visited; (2) who is paying for the trips - LWVMN, local Leagues, or state Board person; (3) if policy or study direction is being given to the local League, that it be shared so we all can speak with the same voice to the local League; (4) and for sharing with the entire Board at our meetings.
9. Public School Finance Study Report: In an all-day session November 7th, the study group expects to outline the issues to be covered and make assignments for researching, interviewing and writing.
10. Debates '82: We met with Common Cause and the Augsburg Public Affairs Forum and agreed to co-sponsor debates for candidates of the two major parties for Governor and U.S. Senator. We would like Board input on format for the debates. Four years ago there were opening and closing statements in addition to questions by a three-member panel. The TV personnel involved urged us to use a more interesting and informative format.

We also intend to develop guidelines for possible inclusion of viable third-party or independent candidates, probably based on standings in polls and/or amount of money raised for the campaign.

11. Name Change: The following is the motion passed by delegates to the LWVMN '81 Convention

MOTION: whereas: the LWV prides itself on a foundation of informed membership, and the LWV is a grass roots organization, and

Minnesota is considered a leader within the national organization, and we have assumed a leadership role in studying issues which are current and timely, and there is a growing segment of our internal and external communities which feel that the name, "League of Women Voters," is no longer indicative of what we are today,

let it be resolved that the LWVMN spearhead a national campaign to have delegates to the national Convention ready to discuss the topic of retaining or changing our organization name, and

further let it be resolved that the state League request the national Board to research the legalities and inform the membership of the results of that research to facilitate that study, and

that the state League request national to provide time for a full discussion of the topic at its next Convention, and that this delegate body take with them a charge to examine this issue and be prepared to make recommendations at state Council.

What is LWVMN's responsibility? LWV-Moorhead has been asked to submit a proposal for a new name.

12. Shakopee Tour: Trip to Shakopee, November 12th: Who is going? Arrangement for car pools, etc. Arrive at 11:30 - lunch will be provided by the LWV-Shakopee. Briefing by the LWV-Shakopee - then tour with J. Flemming, Administrator of the Shakopee Women's Correctional Facility.
13. Budget Committee Minutes (enclosed - white) include some interesting recommendations for pmp breaks and collection of pmps.
14. Holiday Party: want one? Who will host? When?
15. LRP: We need to write an objective for Long Range Planning process if we are going to continue in '82-83 year. We also need to assign responsibility for the process and find volunteers. Harriette will contact Geri Nelson about possibility of head-up committee. But all of you think about whether you want to be involved.

INFORMATION

16. Local League Bulletin Distribution: Based upon a suggestion from Carol Bradley, Nadeen Mutsch will be distributing the local League bulletins to the assigned state Board liaisons as another means for you to know better what each of your assigned local Leagues are doing.
17. Focus on Energy in the 80's: We are finalizing the plans for our Focus on "Energy in the '80's: A Policy for Minnesota." Repeating the date, January 27, 1982; the place - St. Paul College Club, 990 Summit, St. Paul. Professor Martin Sampson will discuss "The Relationship of Middle Eastern Affairs to Minnesota's Energy Future" as our keynote speaker. And Kent Eklund, new Commissioner of Energy, Planning and Development, has agreed to participate. The cost to participate -- \$10.50 or \$11.00. Let us know if you are aware of a group that should receive a flyer about this Focus! Local Leagues will receive the flyers in the November 3rd class mailing.
18. Focus on Health Care: Three Health Care Focus meeting relating to Cost Containment have been scheduled:
- Thursday, March 11, Minneapolis, 3:30-9:00
 - Saturday, March 20, Rochester, 9:30-2:30
 - Saturday, March 27, St. Cloud, 9:30-3:30

Full details will be decided by early December.

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19. Don't Waste America: Jeanne Crampton and Nan Grimsby are meeting with the Lake Superior representative of Don't Waste America on November 13, 1981, at 10:00 a.m. in the LWVMN office.
20. Service to Local Leagues:
 - NORTHFIELD - Board meetings on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. September one to start at 7:00 a.m. for birdwalk, subsequently called because of darkness. This followed by their October Board meeting, at which time the breakfast part consisted of homemade coffee cake and coffee and scrambled eggs over a campfire - just before the snow started. Fun bunch!
 - GRAND RAPIDS AREA - Results of investigation of women in bank management. One was not cordial - would not discuss. In another, the person questioned didn't know and wouldn't ask. Third person said he didn't know. (Two were cooperative, but of course, they had women in management!)
 - DETROIT LAKES - Has an annual potluck supper for the school board.
 - ST. LOUIS PARK - The City Council presented them with a plaque for service to the community.
 - GOLDEN VALLEY - Earned \$500 from the City Council for compiling and analyzing the results of the city budget survey. (Doesn't hurt to have a past president as the mayor.)
 - BLACK HUMOR AWARD OF THE MONTH TO THE CITY OF MARSHALL - Its Battered Women's Shelter has undertaken to produce "a musical satire on family violence."

ACTION COMMITTEE

November 3, 1981

Present: Tews, Burkhalter, Bayless, Duffy, Kargas, Buffington, Mayne, Grimsby, Mork, J. Thompson, Weinig, Fournier, Peggy Thompson

MINUTES: Approved as written.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: The Board is invited by the LWV of Shakopee to tour MWCI on 11/12 at 11:30. Make reservations in the office. Lunch will be served. 11/17 at noon there will be a hearing on the Appellate Court at the Capitol.

EDUCATION: The only thing being discussed at all is the tax deduction for non-public school students. Doug Johnson has said his committee won't even hear it.

GOVERNMENT: Voting Rights Act - national asked us to send wires to the White House urging no changes in the House-passed Voting Rights Act. LLs in the metro area were alerted. National also asked us to ask Boschwitz to co-sponsor the House-passed bill in the Senate. Tews contacted Boschwitz's office. We have heard nothing since the request was made. There will be a reminder to LLs in the Board Memo to thank their MCs for their vote.

A bill to restrict fund raisers for legislators during the session - the EPB has held two hearings on this. Minnesota does not have a major problem. 25% of those who returned an EPB questionnaire said they had been pressured. A subcommittee will draw up recommendations for the entire EPB to review before November 23. LWVMN can support prohibition of fund raisers during the session.

We have received correspondence from a John Haney, St. Paul, who wants to see the size of the Legislature reduced and perhaps made unicameral. Buffington will reply.

Reapportionment - nothing happening. No hearings will be held until the financial crisis is solved. The Governor wants the special session to deal only with money. 1/29 is the deadline for the Legislature and 3/12 if it has to go to the Court. The political parties are disturbed by the possibility of a change in caucus dates. Their entire schedule would be thrown off.

Should LWVMN do anything? The public should be aware that nothing is being done. The legislators say the leaders are working on it. There's no public access if they're working that way. They are using weak excuses for not moving, the current one being computer breakdown combined with fiscal crisis. Guest editorials will be written for the metro papers. The old coalition for reapportionment will be reactivated and urged to send letters to the editor and to legislators - Common Cause, Citizens League, MPIRG, JRLC, AAUW, the parties and labor. There will be a Time for Action to LLs urging them to get letters to the papers and legislators. It will go with the Board Memo in the Government section.

SOCIAL POLICY: There has been a question about where and to whom ERA checks for Georgia should go. National has been encouraging the idea of money going through them to keep things more coordinated but said to do what we thought best. The money we have received in the office will go directly to Georgia. LLs will be told to send their checks directly to Georgia.

A big media campaign has been mounted. LWVUS has contributed \$50,000. Some film production companies have said they will stop all production in non-ERA states. The Junior League is having a hassle because of letters written from the Minneapolis Junior League to Georgia members encouraging them in their support of ERA. Seems the Georgia "ladies" do not have the same enthusiasm and have complained to their national organization.

NATURAL RESOURCES: Crampton has talked to Iowa and Illinois about the Master Plan for the Upper Mississippi River. No one is sure what to do.

A decision will be made later.

Peggy Lynch will be writing for the St. Paul League regarding just the fleeting issue. We should have a copy of the letter. Lynch will go over it with Crampton by phone. The letter will ask that the Basin Commission not allow increased fleeting which, of course, increases traffic which, of course, ~~then~~ increases the need for a third lock at No. 26. The recommendation for increased fleeting was made with no study.

Crampton has been to one hearing on the Plan and was confused. We can only respond to the Plan if we have someone fully prepared on the subject, and we don't. We would not act now, and when we do, only in concert with the other state Leagues.

We have been contacted by Cassandra Dixon, Wisconsin, regional coordinator for Don't Waste America. She will meet with Crampton 11/13 at 10:00 in the office.

Focus - Energy Policy for Minnesota, 1/27, St. Paul College Club. Cost - \$10.50 - \$11.00. Martin Sampson will keynote on The Middle East Relation to Minnesota Energy. Kent ~~ER~~lund will also speak.

IR: We have received a letter from Allan Spear asking our support of a bill sponsored by the Anti-apartheid Coalition in the Legislature. They want to prohibit state investments in companies that deal with South Africa. Bayless talked to national who found it strange to be applying a national position to state legislation on an international issue. LWVUS is neutral on this.

LWVWI and LWVIL have come up with their own wording for a defense/arms control item - Impact of Defense Policy on National Priorities and International Relations. LWVTX is proposing an item on immigration. There will be information in the Board Memo on these.

St. Cloud, Mankato and Moorhead will be the sites for World Trade Week meetings. A summary of the UN Rally will go in the 3rd class mailing.

CMAL: They will add questions to their testimony before the legislative Committee on Metro Government on 11/9 at 9:30 a.m.

HENNEPIN COUNTY: Did nothing on reapportionment. A plan has been adopted.

LOBBYING: We have received a communication from national concerning lobbying. We are to confine ourselves to the priority issues that they have asked us to action. It's the same thing they've been saying all along. Report from the Hill says what you can do, and the scope is broad.

COALITIONS: 15,000 - directing their attention to volunteerism. The Governor's Office of Volunteer Services is excited about it. They are planning a memo to officials suggesting the use of volunteers in government. They want members of the coalition to write offering the same suggestion. LWVMN can't participate because we have no position. Members will be encouraged to do so. Such a program would need coordination and much more planning. The Metro Council has already asked CMAL for volunteer help. LWV people wouldn't want 'busy work'. They would be interested in policy making - who's deciding how block grants are to be administered, i.e. We will send a memo on this on the 3rd class mailing and leave it up to the LLs to take it from there. In kind donations should be asked for such services.

GIFTED AND TALENTED - Coalition has been asked to think about a name change. The idea was pretty well received. They are working on guidelines. They are sending a letter to the Governor asking that the funding for the program not be dropped. They just want to be maintained in the budget and not ask for too much. The 5% figure is crucial.

Council and Coalition members met with Burkhalter and Hyde, 15,000. They went over the relationship between the two groups and suggested that each ascertain its major role, then get together again to work out things. Both want it to work. The Coalition needs its guidelines as soon as possible. They have to recognize the problem of time - everything can't be done yesterday. The Coalition legislative committee is trying to plan strategy. They should use Armstrong's expertise. They want to target the special session.

There is now a 3rd group - MN Educators for the Gifted and Talented. These are the coordinators in the districts that have programs. There needs to be more Leaguers involved in the Coalition.

And, incidentally, LWVMN should be setting priorities and strategies. Education will be one of our top priorities. We should be able to suggest cuts. Next meeting will be 12/1 and will be cancelled if not needed.

Job-sharing Advisory Board - is supposed to meet, but we don't know when.

Women's Consortium - we are still being asked to join. Dues are \$35. The policy is that anyone can join that is not opposed to the policies set forth at the Houston Conference. The bulletin is published weekly and is an additional \$15. There is an opening on the steering committee. Lucas is a possibility.

MOTION: To earmark income from the sale of the Activity Book for the \$35 dues.
Mover: Mork Second: Mayne Carried

MOTION: To pay the dues now and then repay the treasury as the books are sold.
Mover: Mayne Second: Burkhalter Carried

LEGISLATIVE INTERVIEWS: Not tabulated yet.

REGULATORY AGENCIES: Should we do as national is going to do - focus on them and, in our case, add a page in Capitol Letter covering them. It was agreed to continue including that kind of information in the body of the articles.

TIME FOR ACTION: Policy - one to the president, one to the Action chair if we have the name; if not, two to the president. If it's a bulky one, then just one to the president.

ROCHESTER: Grimsby has tried to schedule a meeting on 12/8, the day of the budget committee meeting. Brimijoin will not commit herself although she is on the committee. Peck is available. Buffalo-Monticello hasn't been contacted yet. Brimijoin will be sent a letter confirming the meeting and who is attending and will be asked to send a delegate if she can't make it.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Development Report/Barness

REVISION OF AGENDA

- 60 Review, discussion of objectives for 1982-83

ACTION

- 3 Approval of Concurrence Guidelines/Mutsch
- 5-10 LWV-Georgia and ERA/Lucas
- 3 Dissolution of Crookston/Mutsch
- 10 Fundraiser-Raffle/Caucutt/Weinig
- 2 Additions to Policy Statement/Burkhalter

DISCUSSION

- 20 Review of LWVMN Reapportionment Position/Bufington
- 10 January 27, 1982, Focus Topic/Bayless
- 5 VOTER Deadlines/Walters

INFORMATION

Action/Tews

Liaison Calls/Mutsch

Child Care Focus/Bayless

Service to Local Leagues/Thompson

*Mailed previously; bring with you to the meeting.

CALENDAR

Upcoming events, deadlines, as we have them on the calendar in the office.

- October 15 - October-November VOTER mailed from state office
- 16 - Deadline for receipt of objectives and action plans - 10:30 a.m.
- 19 - CMAL study committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 20 - First class BOARD MEMO mailed from state office
- 21 - Education Committee meeting, 5:00-7:00 p.m., state office
- 22 - Third class BOARD MEMO mailing
 - Budget Committee meeting, 9:00-12:00 a.m.
 - state Board meets with Lee Carpenter, 1:00-3:00 p.m.; workshop, dinner, program for local League Boards at Edina Community Center, 3:30-9:00 p.m.
- 27 - Natural Resources Day in the state office
- 29 - Legislative interviews due in the state office
- 30 - Local League membership lists due in state office

- November 2 - CMAL Study Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
3 - Action Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
5 - CMAL Executive Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
7 - Education Committee meeting, state office, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
10 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
14 - The Citizen Lobbyist conference
17 - Lobbyist training, state office, 9:30 a.m.
19 - Lobbyist training, state office, 1:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMO material is due at the end of the October 13 Board meeting.

Routine attachments: voucher (green), planning form (blue)

ACTION

1. MOTION: to approve the minutes of the August 11, 1981, Board meeting.
MOTION: to approve the minutes of the September 9, 1981, Executive Committee meeting (attached, green)

2. Treasurer's Reports for August and September, 1981: to be filed for audit.

3. Development Report:

Funds received (or pledged) since August Board meeting:

Northwestern National Life Insurance Co - \$300 unrestricted) \$30 shared with Minneapolis LWV)

Apache Foundation - in-kind printing via Apache Corporation of CITIZENS IN ACTION book, 500 copies (plus 200 for their employees) - photographed and bound - \$900 value

Super Valu Stores, Inc. - \$1,000 unrestricted (\$100 shared with MEPH-LWV)

The Pillsbury Company - \$500 to Child Care Focus from their Public Affairs Department

Requests have also been sent to:

Northwestern Bell Telephone
Northwest Orient Airliens (refused)
Cardiac Pacemakers (refused)
H. B. Fuller (refused)
International Multifoods (refused)
Honeywell Fund (refused)
F&M Savings Bank (refused)
Williams Steel and Hardware
International Dairy Queen

Other refusals received:

(from past proposals)

Economics Laboratories

St. Paul Companies (for Indians)

Appointments are needed in next few weeks with:

Deluxe Check (John Cross)

General Mills (Jim Shannon)

Anyone with a personal connection or interest?

4. Review and Discussion of Objectives for 1982-83 (see attached packet). In the allotted 60 minutes, we will discuss each objective and designate (or accept volunteers) for responsibility for each one. Also we will attempt to evaluate how well each one facilitates reaching the goal and separate the "must do's" from the "want to's."
5. Concurrence Guidelines: MOTION: to approve the concurrence guidelines as printed (see attached pink).

Background Information

These guidelines were developed and refined by Nadeen Mutsch and Jean Tews, Harriette Burkhalter, Joan Higinbotham, Donna Scudder of Edina, with suggestions from the Executive Committee. The draft was a handout at fall workshops and was reviewed with representatives from attending local Leagues.

6. LWV-Georgia - ERA: MOTION: That LWVMN "adopt" LWV-Georgia in an effort to provide support for a concentrated effort to pass the ERA in Georgia.

Background Information

The ERA news from Georgia is encouraging!!! It will reach the floor of the House this year for the first time in 7 years, and the Speaker of the House, a long-time ERA opponent, has seen the light!! Senator Linda Berglin is encouraging Minnesota to relate to Georgia at many levels, and major fundraising efforts are underway.

Elaine Bolton, President of LWV-Georgia, has been contacted and would welcome LWVMN support! They are very hopeful but are stretched thin. She will send a list of Georgia Leagues and star those that are in targeted areas where uncommitted legislators live.

7. Dissolution of Crookston: MOTION: To formally accept the dissolution of the LWV-Crookston and to send a letter to each member encouraging them to become members-at-large.

Background Information

Within the past month the LWV of Crookston has been considering the possibility of becoming a state unit. After much consideration, the members feel the same problems which have persisted for them as a League would be with them as a state unit. The availability of the 11 members to attend discussion meetings has been a major problem.

This League is about 15 years old and has never been a really good League. They got off to a shaky start as a provisional, and they just never really made it. They enjoyed a brief period of success in the early '70's--membership in the high 30s, people at workshops and conventions--but after that it has been steadily downhill. We hear over-organized wherever we go outstate, but this may be true to a more real degree in Crookston--a far outstate, college town. For much of the time, probably half their members come from the small surrounding communities. Perhaps one of the reasons they've never, with two exceptions, done anything meaningful at the local level. These two exceptions were things done at the county and school level.

In fairness to them, they've never had the kind of help a struggling League should have, i.e., Northfield or New Ulm. We've relied on occasional visits by Moorhead people, and that was it, and it wasn't enough. They're down to 11 members, worn out trying, little if any status in the community--beyond help.

(See attached letter from Eunice Paulson - white).

8. MOTION: That the LWVMN raffle off a trip in order to raise \$3,000 in hard money for this present budget.

Background Information

Amy and Judy Weinig have checked out some possibilities and costs regarding a raffle to raise Big Bucks. We are thinking we need to raise \$4,500 to net \$3,000. We have in mind a trip for 2 to Mexico or the Bahamas at a cost of around \$1,200. Cost of printing 5,000 tickets would be under \$100. There are costs - unknown - in mailing tickets to local Leagues and getting bundles of money - stubs, etc., back. As an incentive to local Leagues, we are thinking of some kind of ratio whereby 50-75% of anything raised over our net, we would return to them. A price of \$2/ticket, or 3 for \$5, seems reasonable. At 3/\$5, 2,700 tickets must be sold to return \$4,500. We have talked to a few local Leagues - one negative, others (almost) enthusiastic. I have mentioned price for 5,000 tickets as 3,000 (from one source) would cost \$75-85, 25,000 only \$98. We think this can really go and will not be seen as an assessment by local Leagues. Actually, Amy and I may buy up most of the tickets ourselves. By Board time we will have made final check on legalities, but it looks as though that is not a problem.

9. MOTION: to add the following statements to the policies of LWVMN:

"The true costs 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 Judy Hove, chair, LWVMN Budget Committee)."

"There should be a lower price (discount) for LWVMN publications for League members."

DISCUSSION

10. Review of LWVMN Reapportionment Position:

Background Information

After a 45-minute discussion of our reapportionment position at the Action Committee meeting, a motion was made to retain the position as is and review the consensus results done in January, 1965. A recommendation was also made to re-study the reapportionment item and be ready for the 1990 battle.

The two points of the 1965 consensus that are relevant are:

- 1) County lines should be honored where possible in statutory redistricting.
- 2) No consensus was reached on the issue of multi-member or single-member districts or on respecting municipal boundaries.

(See attached - buff - summary.)

An information sheet on reapportionment will be sent to all local Leagues.

The present reapportionment position is based on the LWVUS position and the 1965 LWVMN consensus and was modified in 1979 by Convention delegates to include support for a Commission to do redistricting.

11. January 27, 1982, Focus Topic: Preliminary planning for the Alternative Energy Focus has resulted in a lot of pondering about what we ought to do. The strongest suggestion thus far is providing the Focus as a forum for what should be in the state's new energy policy. According to Kent Eklund, new head of the Department of Energy, Planning and Development, this policy will be the first priority of the new "Energy Policy Development Committee" which will be appointed by the Governor by January, 1982.

If doing something on the energy topic doesn't sound feasible, the subject of the impact of federal and state budget cuts on human services has been recommended for our consideration.

12. VOTER Deadlines

13. Action

14. Liaison Calls: Each one of the state Board members has received the questionnaire to use in making their assigned liaison calls during the week of October 26-November 2nd. If you have forgotten to which Leagues you are assigned, refer to OUT-LOOK 1981-82.

15. Child Care Focus Report: The Child Care Focus was outstanding! The 88 attendees included ~~31~~ child care providers, 23 child care users, 24 League members, 2 county staff people, 5 business representatives, and 3 public interest groups. We also had 11 speakers.

The preliminary review of evaluation sheets revealed very high marks for the program as well as the facility and dinner. Child care providers were particularly positive. And...we did videotape the entire FOCUS. Media coverage included KSTP-TV, Minnesota Public Radio, and the Minnesota DAILY.

Finally, it was particularly good on the day of the Focus to get \$500 from the Community Relations Department of the Pillsbury Company.

16. Service to Local Leagues:

FRIDLEY - Earned \$500 for doing a survey for the local CATV Commission.

RED WING - Asked to help with the Red Wing redistricting.

ST. PAUL - Office will be located at 1010 University after November 1.

MAHTOMEDI AREA - 12 new members this fall!

PUN OF THE MONTH - MINNEAPOLIS - Holding a silent auction for the "fun(ds)" of it.

ALEXANDRIA - Dedicated Leaguer of the year award to Cathy Hegg who hosted all 5 membership events in her home on 3 successive days.

HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH - CASS LAKE - Their water carnival green contestant was 1st runner-up. (They did have a neat float.)

AGENDA
LWVMN Executive Committee

Tuesday, September 8, 1981 - 10:00 a.m.

Treasurer's Report/Caucutt
LWV-Crookston Disbanding/Mutsch
Guidelines for Concurrence/Mutsch
VOTER printing/Walters
VOTER Guidelines/Walters
Publications Policy/Tews
Fundraisers/Burkhalter

ACTION

1. Treasurer's Report: see green sheet - to be filed for audit.
F.Y.I.: LWVMN invested \$7,000 in the Edward D. Jones and Company Daily Pass-
port Cash Trust. From July 8 to August 17 our yield was \$130. On August 14
our net annualized seven-day yield was 17.2%. A feature of this fund is a
check writing privilege, good in case of severe cash flow difficulties.
2. LWV-Crookston disbanding: motion: to formally accept the dissolution of the
LWV of Crookston.

Background Information: This League is about 15 years old and has never been
a really good League. They got off to a shaky start as a provisional, and they
just never really made it. They enjoyed a brief period of success in the early
'70's--membership in the high 30s, people at workshops and conventions--but
after that it has been steadily downhill. We hear over-organized wherever we
go outstate, but this may be true to a more real degree in Crookston--a far out-
state, college town. For much of the time, probably half their members come from
the small surrounding communities. Perhaps one of the reasons they've never,
with two exceptions, done anything meaningful at the local level. These two ex-
ceptions were things done at the county and school level.

In fairness to them, they've never had the kind of help a struggling League
should have, i.e., Northfield or New Ulm. We've relied on occasional visits by
Moorhead people, and that was it, and it wasn't enough. They're down to 11 mem-
bers, worn out trying, little if any status in the community--beyond help.

See attached letter from Eunice Paulson.

3. Guidelines for Concurrence: motion: to accept the guidelines as printed for
the Program/Action booklet with a concurrence
number of _____.

Background Information: Direction from state Convention to the state Board: the
state Board should set guidelines on the concurrence procedure and set a defi-
nite concurrence majority number. Refer to the information on the concurrence
caucus which LWV of Edina compiled plus the guideline sheet which will be inser-
ted into a Program/Action booklet. Do you believe the concurrence questions
from Convention have been addressed through the guidelines?

4. VOTER Printing: motion: that the Printingworks print the Minnesota VOTER.

Background Information: Walters says the Printingworks people were very agreea-
ble, competent, and easy to work with.

5. Guidelines for VOTER advertising: motion: to approve the following policy state-
ment: we reserve the right to refuse
any ads we deem unsuitable, including
those of questionable taste, political
ads, and ads with racist or sexist
material.

6. Background Information: The LWVMN Board directed the Executive Committee to set guidelines for VOTER ads and/or corporate underwriting of the cost of the VOTER. Initially, we plan to try introducing advertising. Judy Rosenblatt and Marcia Walters developed suggested ad sizes and prices which will be available at the meeting. Do we need any guidelines other than the proposed policy statement?

DISCUSSION

6. Publications Policy: Shall we copyright the lobbyist book? Should we have a policy on which LWVMN materials should be copyrighted? Anderson has reviewed copyright file and recommends we copyright the lobbyist book; even though some lists and materials have been taken from other sources, we have put it in our own format. Lobby book is a profit-making venture for LWVMN; we have some concern that another organization might lift our materials for their own publication and make money on it.
7. Fundraisers: What shall we do, and when shall we do it? We're looking at raising about \$3,000. Some ideas: direct mail fundraising campaign, a raffle, an art show. Direct Mail: We have a contact with a "list broker" who could provide specialized lists - e.g., MS Magazine subscribers in Minnesota, environmental groups, etc., for a reasonable cost. A raffle would have the advantage of including all areas of the state - all local Leagues could sell tickets. Some further information:
- a) LWVMN would have to get a "gaming license" from the City of St. Paul and would have to have a "gambling manager."
 - b) To get a license we would have to purchase a \$50,000 bond (costs about \$40.00). Insurance companies deal only with organizations with some insurance coverage. (We have some.)
 - c) We would have to prove our 501(c)(4) status (tax exempt, non profit), be registered with the Charities Division of the Commerce Department (we are) and be incorporated in the State of Minnesota (we are).
 - d) We would have to prove we have at least 30 members who have belonged for two years.
 - e) We would have to have the drawing in conjunction with a social or special event on our premises for which we must have a lease for at least a year (ours is 3 years).
 - f) The Fire Marshall must inspect the premises before the event.
 - g) We would have to keep monies collected separate and report use of funds to our members.
 - h) The City Attorney would review license request and approve.
- Art Show: Would involve selling tickets to do an Art Show. The art broker would arrange everything else.

AGENDA
State Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 11, 1981 - 9:30 a.m.
Coffee, tea, and pop - bring your own "bag"

Mins. 9:30 a.m. - Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

5 Minutes of April 21 Board meeting* and May 20 Executive Committee*/Caucutt

5 Convention Minutes*/Caucutt

5-10 Treasurer's Reports for April*, May*, June, July/Caucutt

5 Development Report/Barsness

REVISION OF AGENDA

ACTION

2 Appointment to Board/Burkhalter

2 H.R./Social Policy/Lucas

10 Women and Where We are Today Conference/Tews

20 1982 Voters Service projects/Newmark

15 Health Study Budget/Pugliese

30 LRP Goals/Chamberlin

5 Citizens Lobby/Tews

5-10 National Security Study-LWV Connecticut/Bayless

5-10 VOTER/Walters

5 Child Support deadline/Lucas

2 WARM/Burkhalter

2 Energy Agency Workshops/Crampton

*Mailed previously; bring with you to meeting.

DISCUSSION

10 Review of Board Policies/Burkhalter

5 Budget Committee suggestions/Burkhalter/Hove

5-8 Service to LL Requests/Mutsch

 Convention Action follow-up

10 Women's Correctional Facility/Bradley

10 Name Change/Burkhalter

5-10 AIAW Decision/Ritchie

5 Abortion/Birth Control publication/Burkhalter

5 Recommendations for Draft Boards/Burkhalter

10 Fundraising ideas/Burkhalter

5 Lee Carpenter Visit/Burkhalter

INFORMATION

Visits to Local Leagues/Mutsch

Fall Workshops/Mutsch

LRP Objective Writing Workshop/Weinig

International Relations/Bayless

Child Care Focus/Bayless

Excerpts from Local League Annual Reports/Thompson

SLL/Thompson

CALENDAR

(Upcoming events, deadlines, as we have them on the calendar in the office; REMINDER: Please record on office calendar any meetings you schedule, or ask office staff to do so for you; also, record your vacations on calendar to aid us in communications, planning.)

August 13 - N.R. Committee meeting, state office, 9:30 a.m.

 18 - August/September VOTER deadline

 18 - 1st Class BOARD MEMO mailing (to all Local League Board members)

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Calendar (continued)

August 20 - 3rd Class BOARD MEMO mailing (to local League presidents and DPM subscribers)
31 - August/September VOTER mailed

September 1 - 2nd Quarter PMP due in state office
1 - Action Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
1 - Education Committee meeting, 5:00 p.m., state office
3 - CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
7 - HOLIDAY - OFFICE CLOSED
8 - Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office (IF NEEDED)
10 - LRP; Objective Writing Workshop, 10:00-1:00, state office
17 - CMAL Quarterly Meeting
22 - Fall Workshop, Minneapolis, 5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
24 - Fall Workshop, Austin, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
28 - Fall Workshop, Grand Rapids, 5:30-10:00 p.m.
29 - Fall Workshop, Grand Rapids, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

October 1 - Fall Workshop, Willmar, 5:30-10:00 p.m.
1 - CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
5 - Focus on Child Care, Plymouth Congregational Church, Minneapolis (NOTE: DATE CHANGED FROM OCTOBER 7)
6 - Action Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
13 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office

BOARD MEMO material is due at the end of the August 11 Board meeting.

Routine Attachments: voucher (green), planning form (blue)

ATTENTION: There are new forms in use in the office for Xeroxing, postage, and phone calls. If you use any of these facilities, please check with Sally or Betty Ann about recording your usage.

ACTION

1. Minutes: Motion: to approve the minutes of the April 21 Board meeting.
Motion: to approve the minutes of the May 20 Executive Committee meeting.
2. Motion: to approve the LWVMN Convention, 1981, minutes.
3. Treasurer's Report for April, May, June, July: to be filed for audit.
4. Development Report (Karen Anderson, Development staff):

Funds received since April Board meeting:

Investors Diversified Services, Inc. (pledged in January, received in June) -
\$1,000 - \$300 shared with Minneapolis LWV

Elizabeth Heffelfinger - \$50 (aunt of LWVNY President)

Midland Cooperatives, Inc. - \$150 - \$15 shared with Columbia Heights LWV

General Mills Foundation - \$100 share from \$1,000 LWVUS-Ed Fund contribution

Donaldson's Department Store - \$300 non- deductible for Long Range Planning

Henry Hyatt - \$125 non- deductible for Long Range Planning (Crossroads Development Corporation)

Bemis Company Foundation - \$1,000 unrestricted - \$100 shared with Minneapolis LWV

F. R. Bigelow Foundation - \$5,000 for INDIANS IN MINNESOTA

Cargill - \$1,500 unrestricted - \$150 shared with MEPH LWV

Tennant Company Foundation - \$250 pledged - \$25 to be shared with Golden Valley LWV

Requests have also been sent to:

The Carolyn Foundation (refused)

First Bank System Foundation (refused)

Land O'Lakes, Inc. (refused)

The Andreas Foundation

The Phillips Foundation (refused)

Development Report (continued)

J. and E.B. Cowles Foundation (refused)
Wasie Foundation (refused)
Gamble/Skogmo Foundations
Archer Daniels Midland Foundation
I. A. O'Shaughnessy Foundation
Super Valu Stores, Inc.
Carlson Companies, Inc. (refused)
Northwestern National Life Insurance Company
Napco Industries, Inc.
Economics Laboratories, Inc.
Inter-Regional Financial Group Foundation
Rosemount, Inc.

Other refusals received (to past requests):

The Honeywell Fund - refused INDIANS request
The Bush Foundation - refused INDIANS request
CRAY Research - unrestricted request refused (are concentrating on higher education in science and technology)
Burlington Northern Foundation - unrestricted request refused
Russell Sage Foundation (New York) - refused letter of inquiry
The Pillsbury Company Foundation - refused INDIANS request
Champion International Corporation - refused unrestricted request

We will be making September appointments with:

IDS (Gilbert Goetz)
Williams Steel and Hardware (Mike McCarthy)

Is there anyone with a personal connection who would especially like to make either of these calls?

REVISION OF AGENDA (At this point, we add items to the agenda or rearrange agenda items.)

5. Appointment: motion: to approve the appointment of LaNelle Olsen, LWV-Northfield, to the LWVMN Board.

Background Information

LaNelle Olsen has agreed to chair the Financing Education study adopted at Convention. She has been a member of the Northfield League and has until recently worked for Carlton College in Development.

6. H.R./Social Policy: motion: to formally change the title of the Human Resources portfolio to Social Policy.

Background Information

This change would make our nomenclature consistent with that of LWVUS, which recently changed the H.R. portfolio to Social Policy.

7. Women and Where They are Today Conference: motion: that LWVMN cosponsor conference on "Women and Where We are Today" with other members of Coalition of 15,000.

Background Information

To take place probably in the fall of 1982. They want a big name speaker, so assume a sizeable fee would be charged by the speaker. Includes workshops on different subjects. All Coalition members would supply seed money. We must indicate our commitment by the September Coalition meeting.

8. Voters Service projects: motion: the LWVMN sponsor debates between the IR and DFL candidates for Governor and U.S. Senator in 1982.

Voters Service projects (continued)

motion: the LWVMN publish a VOTERS GUIDE for statewide offices in 1982.

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

motion: the LWVMN pursue cosponsorship of the 1983 Debates with Augsburg College Public Affairs Forum and Common Cause.

Background Information

Four years ago we cosponsored debates with Common Cause between the gubernatorial candidates of the IR and DFL and between IR and DFL candidates for U.S. Senator (2 Senate seats). We have been approached by the Augsburg College group to cosponsor debates with them. They have volunteered use of their facilities at Augsburg free of charge.

For many years we have been publishing a statewide VOTERS GUIDE that included statements and answers to questions from all candidates for Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Auditor, and U.S. Senator. We have also covered U.S. Representatives and Supreme Court judges.

For the 1980 presidential election we ran an Election Hotline for the first time, which mainly assisted voters in the metro area to locate their polling places. In preparation for this, we assembled precinct locators for the three metro counties that did not prepare their own. Reapportionment will change the districts and polling places of many voters, and precinct locators will have to be edited after the Legislature reapportions itself.

Do we physically have the space or have the staff and volunteers to raise money for and carry out all three projects in 1982? Are there other election projects that we should be doing?

9. Health Care item: motion: to amend the LWVMN 1981-82 budget to provide a \$50 fund for Health Care program activities.

Background Information

There is no Health Care budget category. The proposed budget was amended at the state Convention to increase the PMP from Leagues with more than 250 members. This increased the income by \$273 and was unassigned. The \$50 requested would provide reimbursement for publications, a conference, interviews, and the Wellness Inventory. Other committee expenses are paid from Workshop, Focus, and Operating budgets.

Direction: In early 1981 suggestions were made for a Health Care Focus in early 1982 to complement the national study. There was a possibility of a pass-through grant from LWVUS to take the Focus around the state. Now the national study has not yet been funded, and thus the possibility of no Health Care study at all. Members at our Convention Workshop suggested holding regional Focus meetings with local input. With this in mind, the committee is planning to organize four regional networks at the Fall Workshops to set up these Focuses. With guidelines from the committee, each region would carry out their own program.

10. Long Range Planning: motion: to adopt the following as goals of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota:

By 1984-5, LWVMN will be using creative 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.

Long Range Planning (continued)

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

Background Information

(See attached packet in blue.)

11. Citizens Lobby: motion: to join the Citizens' Lobby. (oral)
12. National Security Study: motion: to reject the Westport, Connecticut, LWV request to cosponsor the mailing of their proposal for a LWV study of national security, arms control, and military spending; and to recommend a LWV informational piece.

Background Information

In 1979 the Westport LWV did a similar national mailing; cosponsors contributed \$25. LWVMN did not participate. And, the proposed study was not adopted at the 1980 LWVUS Convention. Pat Llona evaluated the current proposal and made the informational publication suggestion. Llona and I agree that LWV could not be sufficiently informed on other nations' activities to make definitive statements on what the U.S. should be doing regarding military spending. We would also note that LWV could not have complete information on our side of the security issue. Finally, we question how the LWV could take effective action.

13. VOTER: motion: that the August-September VOTER be printed by the Printingworks, Inc.

Background Information

This is a change from the printer used by LWVMN (Union Advocate) which is a union printer. Printingworks is a non-union, woman-owned and managed printer, whose bid for doing the VOTER would be a substantial savings (\$200 on last VOTER). The August-September VOTER would be a trial issue.

motion: to sell ads for the VOTER, or, finding that unfeasible, to attempt underwriting funding for the VOTER.

Background Information

The current budget for the VOTER will not cover costs for 3 scheduled issues. The selling of ads would raise additional funds to enable the VOTER to continue. A second alternative would be to secure funding to partially underwrite the cost of an issue.

14. Child Support: motion: to set a deadline of _____ for local Leagues to return child support concurrence forms to LWVMN.

Background Information

Delegates at the '81 Convention adopted a study of child support using the concurrence process. Local Leagues will be asked if they concur with positions arrived at by the LWV-Minneapolis. LWV-Minneapolis has already mailed packets of information, including a discussion guide and concurrence forms, to local Leagues. All questions about the study are to be directed to LWV-Minneapolis. The state Board's responsibility is to determine a timeline for the process and to decide when concurrence has been achieved.

15. WARM: motion: to provide WARM with a list of local League presidents.

Background Information

Harriette and Sally have been making decisions about who will get the list. Harriette's opinion is that whoever wants it should get it, with the exception of political candidates. Sally thinks the purpose of the group requesting should be related to League purpose also.

Do you want to set that as a policy? WARM is a nonprofit organization that exhibits and promotes women artists.

16. Energy Agency Workshops: motion: to sponsor MEA's outstate workshops.

Background Information

The Minnesota Energy Agency has asked LWVMN to cosponsor four regional workshops on energy management tools to be held in October and November in Thief River Falls, Owatonna, Brainerd, Litchfield. Sponsorship would involve notifying local Leagues of the meetings and giving MEA names of local Leagues who could serve on steering committees.

DISCUSSION

1. Policies. Enclosed is a copy of LWVMN Policies. Come prepared to discuss any changes you desire.
2. The Budget Committee will begin meeting this fall. We need to appoint four members from local Leagues to serve. Traditionally, an attempt has been made to balance the committee geographically and to insure representation of large and small, metropolitan and non-metropolitan Leagues. Minneapolis and St. Paul have alternated a membership on the committee. (This year it would be St. Paul.) Any suggestions for our Budget Chair?
3. Service to Local League Mileage Payment Requests: Due to a tight Service to Local League budget, I'm proposing that when local Leagues "request" a visit, we ask them to cover the mileage costs. Whoever makes this type of local League visit must be sure to turn in a record of this payment to Peggy for bookkeeping records.
4. Convention Follow-up:

Women's Correctional Institution for Women: Under Direction to the Board, Convention delegates passed the following motion:

motion: I move that the 1981 LWVMN Convention accept a Call-to-Action directed to the Minnesota Legislature, the Governor, and the Department of Corrections, urging immediate funding in the next biennium for a new Minnesota Correctional Institution for Women. The facility in its present condition has inadequate security, severely limited recreational and educational opportunities, and because the present facility is unsafe and inferior to other state Correctional Facilities.

Mover: Becky Kelso

Seconded

During discussion, Sue Scribner said there was no conflict with our present position, and a delegate from the West Dakota League said they had toured the facility and agreed with the Shakopee League. Vote: The motion carried.

How shall LWVMN carry out the intent of this resolution?

Name Change: Convention delegates also passed this motion, 91 to 86:

motion: Whereas: the LWV prides itself on a foundation of informed membership and the LWV is a grass roots organization, and

Minnesota is considered a leader within the national organization, and we have assumed a leadership role in studying issues which are current and timely,

there is a growing segment of our internal and external communities which feels that the name "League of Women Voters" is no longer indicative of what we are today.

Let it be resolved that the LWVMN spearhead a national campaign to have delegates to the national Convention ready to discuss the topic of retaining or changing our organization name, and

Further let it be resolved that the state League request the national Board to research the legality and inform the membership of the results of that research to facilitate that study, and

(Convention Follow-up: Name Change, continued)

that the state League request National to provide time for a full discussion of the topic at its next Convention, and

that this delegate body take with them a charge to examine this issue and be prepared to make recommendations at state Council.

What is the state League's responsibility to implement this resolution?

5. AIAW Decision: The LWVUS national Board declined to adopt a resolution in support of the AIAW's efforts to remain the governing body for college women's athletics. (See attached letter - buff - from Ruth Hinerfeld.) What further action can/should we take?
6. Recommendations for Draft Boards (see attached letter - pink): The Selective Service is reactivating draft boards on a stand-by basis. The Director for the State of Minnesota, Robert Knight, is seeking nominees for draft boards around the state (to be nominated by the Governor, appointed by the President).

The law requires "that membership of each board be proportionally representative of the race and national origin of the residents under its jurisdiction." One of the missions of the draft board is to "insure that registrants are treated fairly and equitably."

Do we want to compile a list of candidates? Is anyone interested in serving?

7. Michigan request for publication on abortion/birth control (see attached - green - letter). Do we want to support their efforts?
8. Fundraising Ideas. We must still raise \$2,800.00 through a fundraiser according to our budget. Who would like to be involved in planning one or some? When should we do it? (It must be this fiscal year, which ends March 31, 1982.) Some ideas: raffle, house tour, theater benefit.
9. Visit. A member of the LWVUS Board and our LWVUS advisor, Lee Carpenter, will be visiting in Edina in October. She has offered to give a day to the League on October 21. The Edina League is putting together a social event, with supper followed by a talk by Lee about environmental issues to which the national League has given priority. There will be an opportunity for questions about general national Board policy and operations.

We plan to invite local League presidents and Board members to attend, as well as state Board members. If we wish to do so, the state Board could hold a session earlier that day with Lee for training or whatever she or we want to do.

INFORMATION

1. Visits to Local Leagues:

Visits should be checked through Nadeen Mutsch. Due to our budget, we really need to prioritize our visits.

Before making a visit, be sure you are briefed by Peggy Thompson.

Following the visit, a summary of the visit should be turned in to the office.

2. Fall Workshops:

Locations dates, and topics are set for the Workshops:

Tuesday evening, September 22nd - Minneapolis

Thursday morning, September 24th - Austin

Monday evening and Tuesday morning, September 28th and 29th - Grand Rapids

Thursday evening, October 1st - Willmar

Topics are: Program/Action, Health Care, Child Support, Election Judges' Training, Membership, and Long Range Planning.

Workshop information and registration forms were sent in the July mailing to local Leagues.

3. Long Range Planning:

So we have some goals - that's nice. Everyone needs goals, right? It's a good idea to have some vague notion of where we're heading in the far-off future.

But we are going to have more than just goals. On Thursday, September 10, 1981, from 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. at the state office, we are going to figure out what has to be done when to make the goals happen. I am inviting you to come to the Objectives Workshop at that time. We will get down on paper reasonable realistic objectives so we can each see clearly what can be done to move the League along toward the goals that will be presented at the August Board meeting. Because one of the Long Range Planning team's objectives (to keep expenses down) was to have team members volunteer time, mileage, and expenses, we are asking you to do the same if you possible can. And, of course, BYOL.

This workshop is guaranteed to be interesting, fun, and valuable for you. If any of you is dissatisfied, your effort will be returned. This warranty is good for 6 months or 3,500 miles of League-related travel, whichever comes first.

4. International Relations:

Pat Llona and Bayless have participated in World Trade Week, Inc., Board meetings in June and July. The major development is a move away from the traditional two-day conference to one morning of concurrent seminars followed by a luncheon with a major trade speaker. In addition, there will be one regional (outstate) conference. LWVMN will be included in both meetings.

5. Citizen Information:

The Focus on Child Care has been rescheduled! Monday, October 5, is the new date; registration begins at 4:30 p.m., and Plymouth Congregational Church is the site. Why the change? LWVMN is coordinating conference planning with the Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association (GMDCA) and Parents in the Workplace, who are cosponsoring a separate daytime conference for employers titled "Parents at Work--A Conference for Businesses that Employ Parents." October 5 may be proclaimed "Community Child Care Awareness Day." And....the keynote speaker for the daytime conference, Dana Friedman, who is a nationally-known child care consultant, has agreed to be our keynote speaker!

The Focus will consist of a panel of corporate representatives discussing options for corporate involvement in child care, Ms. Friedman giving us an overview of corporate responses to working parents, dinner, a panel addressing community partnerships that coordinate existing resources to provide innovative solutions to child care needs, and workshops on each of the partnerships presented by the panel. The cost, including dinner, is \$10.50. Child care will be available for an additional fee.

6. Service to Local Leagues (Leagues aren't as funny in the summer):

FRIDLEY - Board meetings at 8:15 a.m. on Saturdays!

ST. CLOUD AREA - Humanities Commission funded their annual meeting.

DULUTH - Conducted public program on parliamentary procedure - attended by 58 people.

EDINA - has done a slide show on Community Centers (shown at Convention).

MOUNDS VIEW - One member got 1,000 ERA petition signatures.

BROOKLYN PARK - Mayor called to ask why no one was attending Council meetings and to express concern about it!

AGENDA
STATE BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, April 21, 1981 - 9:30 a.m.
Salad lunch - bring your assigned ingredient
Coffee, tea and pop provided

9:30 a.m.: Determination of quorum and Call to Order

Mins.

- 5 Minutes of March 10, 1981, Board Meeting*/Evans
- 5 Treasurer's Report for March/Hall
- 5 Development Report/Schmitz
- 2 AmERica Report/Higinbotham

REVISION OF AGENDA

ACTION

- 15 Action request from Rochester/Tews
- 10 Action request from St. Paul - G.O.V.S. funding/Tews
- 5 Resignation/Burkhalter
- 2 Lobbyist Approval/Tews
- 5 Approval of Revised Order of Business at LWVMN Convention/Nelson
- 10 Minnesota Wellness Inventory/Pugliese
- 10 Task Force on Local League Program/Action Procedures/Caucutt

DISCUSSION

- 5 Amendments to the Budget/Burkhalter
- 10 Council '81 - Emergency Program items/Burkhalter
- 10 Annual Report Recommendations to LWVUS Board/Burkhalter
- 10 Orientation to LWVMN Board/Nelson
- 60 Outlook for Work/Nelson
- 15 1981-82 Focus Topics/Bayless
- 10 Long Range Planning progress report/Nelson
- 5 Silent Auction/Llona
- 5 New/Old Board party/Nelson
- 5 GEM programs/Llona

INFORMATION

- Action Committee Minutes*/Tews
- Focus on Cable Communications Evaluation/Bayless
- International Relations regional meetings for I.R. chairs/Llona

* Mailed previously; bring with you to the meeting.

CALENDAR

(Upcoming events as we have them on the calendar in the office.)

- April 21 LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 22 Long Range Planning meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 27-30 OUTLOOK completed and mailed to local Leagues in lieu of Board Memo
- 24 3rd Class Board Memo mailing to Presidents, DPM subscribers
- 29 Long Range Planning meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office

(Calendar continued)

- May 1 Action Recognition Award entries due in state office
5 Action Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
7 CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
11-14 LWVUS Council meeting in Washington, D.C.
21 CMAL Annual Convention
21 LWVMN Executive Committee meeting
22 Convention reservations deadline
23 Mini Board Memo mailing to presidents
25 Memorial Day - office closed
26-29 Convention Workbooks compiled and mailed to delegates
- June 4 CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
11 President's Workshop, St. Cloud State University
12-13 LWVMN Convention, St. Cloud State University

REMINDER: Annual Reports to LWVUS are due at the Board meeting; materials for third class Board Memo are due also.

ROUTINE ATTACHMENTS: voucher (green), planning form (blue), special projects form (white)

ACTION

1. Motion: to approve the minutes of the March 10, 1981, Board meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report: to be filed for audit.
3. Development Report: (see bottom of Treasurer's Report - to be filed for audit).

Funds received since March Board meeting - \$000.00!!!

Requests have been sent to:

Burlington Northern Foundation

Republic Airlines

The St. Paul Companies (Indians)

There are 15 other requests outstanding, 5 of which are for Indians.

Requests have been refused by:

American Hoist and Derrick Foundation

Lewis & Annie F. Paper Foundation(s)

H. B. Fuller Co.

MEI Corporation

4. AmERica Report: (enclosed, white) final report, to be filed for audit.

REVISION OF AGENDA

5. Rochester LWV Action request: Motion: to approve LWV-Rochester's giving testimony at the Energy Agency Certificate of Need Hearing on LWV-Rochester's consensus with the exception of the statement and ranking of the alternatives of where the power should come from.

Background

This motion is based on the recommendation of the Action Committee at their meeting of April 7, 1981 (minutes mailed to you).

At the Action Committee meeting three members of the LWV-Rochester presented the consensus of the two-year study. A copy of their presentation was attached to the Action Committee minutes you received last week. The members of the Action Committee were impressed with the quality of the study, qualifications of the members of the LWV-Rochester that led the study, and also the quality of the presentation that was made to the Action Committee. After the presentation, there was much discussion - the LWV-Rochester is requesting permission to

testify before the Energy Agency at their Certificate of Need Hearing. The concern was raised that the site of the power plant that was favored in the study was not in the Rochester area but in the St. Cloud area and that Leagues in this part of the state might have something to say about enlargement of the power facility. The point was brought out that the request now being made was to testify at the Certificate of Need Hearing and that the Rochester study did document the need.

The Rochester League has written to the state Board asking that the Board give them approval to testify to their whole position including the location of the source of that power... a copy of the letter was sent to all Board members.

6. GOVS funding: Motion: that LWVMN not support the extension of funding of Governor's Office of Volunteer Services. (Action Committee recommendation, page 3, Action Committee Minutes.)

Background

See enclosed letter from LWV-St. Paul (pink).

7. Resignation: Motion: to accept the resignation of Faye Sargent from the LWVMN Board with deep regret.

Background

Faye has written in her letter of resignation "Because of conflicts regarding the LWVMN Board, and the Rochester LWV Board, and my position on each, I hereby resign my directorship of the LWVMN effective immediately. Accept my good wishes for the continued strength of our important organization." She goes on to say "my decision...becomes clearly a question of my very strong belief that our local League has the responsibility to testify on our local position. I do indeed, recognize the guidelines regarding these things but feel that they must be recognized as exactly that -- guidelines not as bylaws or as Bible. We on state Board have dealt with several issues under these guidelines, and each one must be taken individually. Unless we are going to drastically diminish the viability of every local League, the state Board is going to have to use the guidelines extremely judiciously. None of our communities is an island -- every agency involves others, every local issue has more than local impact and it's going to be more that way all the time. It's a matter of degree. I wholeheartedly support Rochester in this case of the judgement of degree here... I hope that a compromise can be reached....that will be in the spirit of the guidelines while keeping in clear perspective the vitality of the Rochester League, for as a grassroots organization I firmly believe that the local Leagues are our heart and soul."

8. Lobbyist Approval: Motion: to approve Helen Schmidt, LWV-Arden Hills/Shoreview, as a lobbyist for government.

Background

Helen is president of the Arden Hills/Shoreview LWV and has been observing tax committees all session.

9. Revised Order of Business: Motion: to approve the revised Order of Business for the 48th LWVMN Convention.

Background

See attached revised Order of Business (yellow). The three-hour Long Range Planning speak-up session necessitates rearranging the agenda and going into the 4th Saturday afternoon session.

10. Minnesota Wellness Inventory: Motion: that LWVMN offer to its local Leagues the opportunity to use the "Minnesota Community Wellness Inventory" of the Minnesota Council on Health, to determine wellness statistics and needs in their locale.

Background

The Minnesota Council on Health is a private, non-profit, educational organization founded by Wheelock Whitney that promotes wellness throughout the work place and community education. They have done one inventory in Chaska and want to promote its use statewide to let community members learn where their health needs lie. It is a project that could be accomplished by one person, full time in a week but could lead to community surveys, a

base of information for local consensus and potential action. They will provide a list of possible sources of information. This could be a lead-in to the LWVUS Health Care study. The Board of the Minnesota Council on Health will be discussing this joint venture also. I will have their materials available at the April Board meeting.

11. Task Force on Local League Program/Action procedures: Motion: to establish a task force of local League Board members and state Board members to consider guidelines to aid both state and local levels of League in resolving program and action conflicts.

Background

In League, Action, and LWVMN Policies provide some guidance for local Leagues when taking action under state or national League positions or on issues of national, state, or regional significance. However, as more and more Leagues will find themselves studying issues with ramifications/implications beyond the local level, many people believe that the League of Women Voters of Minnesota should establish procedures to assist local and state Leagues to resolve potential conflicts in the action phase of the study/consensus/action process.

DISCUSSION

12. Amendments to LWVMN Budget: at its May meeting the LWVMN Executive Committee will consider proposing amendments to the proposed Budget for 1981-82 in light of information not previously available to the Budget Committee. For example, LWVMN finished the year about \$2,000 in the red; almost all PMPs from local Leagues were met before the end of the fiscal year. The fate of reapportionment will determine whether LWVMN can count on \$12,000 in contracts with county governments to do a precinct locator. We may know by then whether INDIANS IN MINNESOTA is a fundable project. We will have to formally propose an amendment to cover costs of a possible new study. Anything more? Now's your chance!
13. Emergency Program Items - Council '81: see attached memo from LWVUS. We should be prepared to give some guidance to our Council delegates, Peggy Lucas and Harriette Burkhalter.
14. Annual Report Recommendations to LWVUS Board: in addition to filing specific portfolio reports (yours is due at the Board meeting) the LWVMN Board has the opportunity to respond to two general questions:
 - 1) Recommendations to National League Board (Free for all)
 - 2) Presidential Forums and Debates: How did the LWVEF's sponsorship of Presidential Forums and Debates affect your (local) state League? Please think about what you'd like us to say.
15. Orientation for LWVMN Board members: will include a packet of materials to include job descriptions and Board responsibilities, fiscal responsibilities of Board members, writing for the Board Memo, and how to use the LWVMN office.
16. OUTLOOK 1981-82: enclosed with this packet is a rough draft of the OUTLOOK for 1981-82 which we plan to mail to local Leagues the last week in April. The Board's task is to review the substance of the OUTLOOK--don't worry about typos at this point or editing.
17. 1981-82 Focus Topics: topic selection for the 1981-82 Focus series requires Board direction! In response to my 3/26/81 memo, several of you submitted excellent suggestions. They are: energy from renewables; child care; New Right (too explosive?); county government; refugee impact on state; and the level of welfare services we want in this state. I had offered health care, defense spending, and the impact of federal highway funding cuts on Minnesota. The only "given" is probably Health Care, and we should consider taking that Focus around the state in March. One other note: the Citizens Effectiveness Workshop is being added to the Citizen Information portfolio in 1982 and is scheduled for November 14. Now that you've thought about potential

topics, think about dates and times. Having a Focus every other month is just about right when you consider staff and volunteer strength. There weren't violent objections to Wednesdays, and the early evening sessions seemed to serve more people. How about September 30 (5th Wed.), January 27, and March 31 (5th Wed.)? Thanks for your constructive thoughts!

Focus Calendar: LWVUS is planning (1) leaders' guide, (2) national conference, (3) possible grants devoted to Health Care. No dates promised yet. Prefer to wait for these to have the best possible Health Focus event. Therefore I wish a late date on the calendar for the Health Focus event.

18. Long Range Planning Progress Report: the co-chairs of the Long Range Planning Committee will submit a progress report of their work to date. You have received a copy of the letter from the Long Range Planning Committee requesting a \$10.00 contribution from each local League to cover costs.
19. Silent Auction: does anyone have a folding screen with fabric to hang needlework, etc. and/or a piece of pegboard with hooks? Be sure to tell Llona what you plan to donate. The Silent Auction will be set up during the Presidents' Workshop Thursday. It will open at 8:30 a.m. Friday; bidding will close at 5:40 sharp. Pat will need 3 or 4 volunteers to help set up and disperse the goods. Winners will be announced after Hope Washburn.
20. Old/New Board Party: do we want to have the traditional New/Old Board party, an old Board send-off for Friday night of Convention? Staff takes care of details and bills the Board members - no hassle.
21. GEM Programs: see letter from Bill Rogers, Director of the World Affairs Center. I'll read Bob Erickson's report in part at the Board meeting. Teachers attending the GEM programs throughout the state have said the number one problem in teaching world affairs is community awareness of International Relations. They're asking that we let the delegates to our Convention know about this.

INFORMATION

22. Action: minutes mailed to you earlier; bring with you to the meeting.
23. Focus on Cable Communications Evaluation summary is attached (blue).
24. International Relations regional meetings for I.R. chairs: Nancy Myers, LWV of Iowa, is proposing a regional meeting for I.R. chairs for sharing ideas, problems, talking about range of issues, etc. Mott funding is a possibility. Reply needed by April 30. I sent in reply as favorable to meeting.
25. Convention: let Peggy Thompson know soon if you have roommate preference; otherwise what you see when you walk in is what you're stuck with.
26. Service to Local Leagues (silly, sobering, scintillating):
ROCHESTER - "Love the League" was the theme for finance drive in February; sent valentines to prospective contributors.
MINNEAPOLIS - interesting "do your own thing" unit meetings. Police Chief spoke to three, two had St. Paul HRA speakers, one a speaker from CHART, one toured a solar-heated group home, etc., etc. (Smaller Leagues could do this to whip up interest, new members.)
Producing a 30-45 minutes skit to be used in a review for returning election judges. It will be done three times a day for 3-4 days.
RED WING - this city has the dubious honor of being one of eight in the state to be

studied by a state pedestrian safety expert. His comment on observing the pedestrian-vehicle situation at the junior high - "Oh, my God!"

MID-MESABI - panel of three spoke to local organizations - Are You Politically Prepared?

Had Susan B. Anthony brunch 2/14 - all bills were paid with Anthony dollars. Apparently was a huge success.

AUSTIN - celebrating 50th anniversary in May.

MOORHEAD - at the League's request, the city council tabled a motion to oppose a ban on plastic containers.

SHAKOPEE - applauded for their testimony to the House CJ Committee by the Advisory Board on the Woman Offender.

WHITE BEAR - with the help of several other Leagues, they are participating in 'Women's Expo' at Maplewood Mall May 1-10. In addition to two exhibits, they will present a seminar on job sharing.

WEST DAKOTA COUNTY - local governments are funding their Who Governs publication.

STEVENS COUNTY - having a 'decadence celebration.' Really - that's what they're calling their tenth anniversary.

MANKATO AREA - Board member attended State Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Assn. meeting where LWV was mentioned as a "lifesaver" to many city clerks at election time.

ST. PETER - will concur with the Rochester energy needs position.

Headline of the month - MEPH - "Board Votes To Close All of Excelsior in 1982." Not as presumptuous as it sounds. Excelsior in this case is an elementary school.

Best new item on an agenda - BROOKLYN CENTER - The Washington Mess Report (referring to LWVUS).

Excerpts from the Minutes of the Year - MOUNDS VIEW - "The letter were sent and there has been 20 responses..." "Twenty resposed out of 140..." "Apologize for bulletin - some problems were has with it."

AGENDA
STATE BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, March 10, 1981 - 9:30 a.m.
Coffee, tea and pop - bring your own "bag"

REMINDER: the meeting must begin and end on time as we are meeting with Tom Hatcher of FUTURES UNLIMITED at the Metropolitan Council Chambers from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

9:30 a.m.: Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Mins.

- 5 Minutes of February 10, 1981*/Evans
- 5 Treasurer's Report for February/Hall
- 5 Development Report/Schmitz
- 2 AmERicA Report/Higinbotham

REVISION OF AGENDA

ACTION

- 2 Co-sponsorship of World Law Day/Llona
- 5 Approval of Convention Order of Business/Nelson
- 5 Approval of 1982 LWVMN Council site/Nelson
- 15 Recommended 1981-1983 LWVMN Program/Tews
- 10 Approval of Proposed Bylaw changes for LWVMN/Evans, Rosenblatt
- 20 Approval of sending Teaneck proposal and cover letter to local Leagues/Higinbotham
- 5 Approval of Council delegate/Burkhalter
- 5 Conference for Women Elected Officials/Burkhalter
- 5 ERA Petitions/Higinbotham

DISCUSSION

- 5 Annual Reports/Burkhalter
- 5 Liaison Calls/Nelson
- 10 Presentation of the Nominating Committee report/Cushing
- 5 Shakopee Study/Scribner

INFORMATION

- Nuclear Energy Education project/Crmapton
- Outlook directions/Nelson
- Citizen Information--Minnesota Future Homemakers of America/Bayless
- Day on the Hill/Tews, Weinig

* Mailed previously; bring with you to the meeting.

CALENDAR

(Upcoming events as we have them on the calendar in the office.)

- March 10 - March-April VOTER deadline
- 13 - Deadline for Focus reservations
- 18 - Focus on Cable Communications, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., College of St. Catherine
- 18 - First class Board Memo mailing
- 20 - 3rd class Board Memo mailing
- 31 - LWVMN fiscal year ends
- April 3 - Action Committee meeting
- 10 - LWVMN Nomination Committee meeting, 11:00 a.m., State Office

(Calendar continued)

- April 21 - LWVMN Board meeting, State Office, 9:30 a.m.
OUTLOOK WILL BE MAILED IN LIEU OF APRIL BOARD MEMO
24 - 3rd class Board Memo mailing

REMINDER: 1st and 3rd class BOARD MEMO materials are due at the meeting. Thanks to your cooperation last month we were able to put out the BOARD MEMO a day early.

ROUTINE ATTACHMENTS: voucher (green), planning form (blue), special projects form (white)

ACTION

1. Motion: to approve the minutes of the February 10, 1981, Board meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report: to be filed for audit.
3. Development Report (see bottom of Treasurer's Report - to be filed for audit).

Funds received since February Board meeting:

Athwin Foundation - \$1,000 unrestricted, to be received in April, \$100 shared with Minneapolis LWV
Elmer L. Andersen - \$100 unrestricted - none shared

In addition, requests have been sent to:

F. R. Bigelow Foundation - Indians in Minnesota
The Honeywell Fund - Indians in Minnesota
The Bush Foundation - Indians in Minnesota
Penny's Supermarkets - unrestricted
H. B. Fuller Company - Cable Focus
Bemis Company Foundation - unrestricted
The Donaldson Foundation - unrestricted
Lewis and Annie F. Paper Foundation - unrestricted
Patrick & Aimee Butler Family Foundation - unrestricted
The Edwin W. and Catherine M. Davis Foundation - unrestricted
American Hoist and Derrick Foundation - unrestricted

Requests have been refused by:

R. C. Lilly Foundation - unrestricted
Charles K. Blandin Foundation (Indians)
McKnight Foundation (Indians)
International Multifoods - Cable Focus
The Donaldson Foundation - Robert Schweitzer, President of the Foundation, called Karen Wednesday to tell us their "funds are all committed for all of 1981." He said, "the whole social services community is in a panic about the expected cuts in government funding. Consequently, the funding community is waiting to see where the cuts will be made to see which social services will be needing private funding most desperately." I did, of course, stress our concern with minority (Indian), education, and international issues, which are some of their funding priorities; however, since our services are not direct in these areas we will not be considered to be in the "desperate" area. I tell you all of this because it's a thread running through many of the funder's communications lately.

4. AmERicA Report: Motion: to disband the project and close our separate bank account.

Background

LWVMN has run this project for two years; this seems like a good time to put it to rest.

Initially the plan was to sell enough ERA products to pay back LWVMN total front-end costs for brochures and merchandise (\$3,000) and use the profit to make a substantial contribution for ERA. The project did pay back \$2,220 to LWVMN in front end costs and paid for its own operating costs--salary, postage, supplies, Xeroxing. However, because the reorder minimums for the products were so high we had to invest most of our profits in reordering merchandise; our sales volume was just never high enough to enable us to make a contribution to the ERA. As you can see, orders have dwindled to almost nothing. We will make an effort to move our existing inventory through a close-out sale to be advertised in the VOTER. What we are actually doing is closing this out as a separate project--we will no longer have a separate account and financial statement; any receipts or expenditures will pass through our regular LWVMN books.

REVISION OF AGENDA

5. Law Day Dinner: Motion: to co-sponsor the World Federalists Association Law Day Dinner.

Background

LWVMN has co-sponsored this event in the past. The dinner will be held the evening of April 30th at the Earle Brown Center on the St. Paul Campus of the U. of M. The principle speaker will be Miriam L. Levering, a long-time member of the World Federalists. For the past several years she has represented the Friends World Committee at the United Nations delegation on the Law of the Seas, headed by Elliot Richardson. She cooperated with the Sierra Club International and the Ocean Education Project seminars in Caracas on the same theme. She coauthored the book "The Oceans: Time for Decision". Her address will be on "The Law of the Seas". She will be introduced by Mayor Donald Fraser. It appears that there is no cost involved in co-sponsorship.

6. Approval of Convention Order of Business: Motion: to approve the enclosed (white) Order of Business for the 48th LWVMN Convention.
7. 1982 LWVMN Council site: Motion: to hold the 1982 Council and workshops at Silver Lake Camp on April 19 and 20 (Monday and Tuesday).

Background

Here are the choices: Salvation Army's Silver Lake Camp, New Brighton, \$23,00. Plenty of sleeping space but only 48 in lodge. Plenty of dining space and meeting rooms. Maybe it won't be 95 next year!

Lyman Lodge, Excelsior, \$33.00. Sleeps 108. Dining for 125 (we had 175 for lunch and 150 for dinner last year). Meeting room seats 125. Six other meeting rooms. Booked April 17-24. We could meet here if we didn't include the workshops.

Mount Olivet Retreat Center, west of Farmington. 35 miles SW of state office. \$40.65. Sleeps 84, 48 in dormitory rooms, 36 in motel type rooms. Pool, game room, sauna, trails. The largest meeting room would have a hard time seating more than the delegates. Super workshop rooms. Dining space could handle 175 using overflow area or two shifts. Brand new classy facility in lovely surroundings.

8. LWVMN Program Recommendations for 1981-83: Motion: to recommend retention of current LWVMN Program for Action with updates in _____ and _____ and a new study of _____.

Background

Please review the enclosed (white) program-making summaries. The Board must decide upon our program recommendations to state convention. Suggestions receiving votes from 6 or more Leagues were:

New studies: child care - 7; water (by combining two items) - 7; hazardous waste - 17; alternative energy sources - 6; state pension program - 7; county government - 6.

Updates: financing public schools - 17; campaign financing - 17.

9. Approval of Proposed Bylaw changes for LWVMN: Motion: to recommend the following changes in LWVMN's bylaws:

Article III, Section 3 - Types of Membership

Wording remains the same but the order should be a), c), d), b)

Article IV, Section 1 - Officers

- a. ...addition at end of present section: Two individuals may be elected to share one position, or two positions may be held by one individual elected to the dual-position officer.
- b. The officers of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota shall constitute the executive committee. The executive committee shall confer when immediate action is necessary and a meeting of the Board of Directors is not feasible, and shall in those instances have the powers and duties of the Board of Directors for planning and directing the Program and carrying out organizational responsibilities.

Article V, Section 5 - There shall be at least (eight) six regular meetings...

Article VII, Section 3 - The budget shall be prepared by the elected chairperson and a committee...

Article VIII, Section 5 - The Convention shall consider and authorize for action a Program, shall elect officers and directors, the Budget Chairperson, Nominating Committee Chairperson and two Nominating Committee members, shall adopt...

Article X, Section 1 - Drop (Nominations for these offices shall be made by the current Nominating Committee. Further nominations may be made from the floor of of the Conventions.) (This appears in Section 3.)

10. Teaneck proposal: Motion: to approve sending the Teaneck proposal to local Leagues with a cover letter.

Background

See the Teaneck, NJ, LWV letter enclosed (white). Basically the letter asks delegates to come to LWVUS Council prepared to concur with the LWV Massachusetts position on contraception and abortion. I will have a cover letter ready for Board members to review at the Board meeting. If our delegates are to know how to respond then we must have some guidance from local Leagues.

11. Approval of Council delegate: Motion: to send _____ as a delegate to the LWVUS Council meetings to be held in Washington, DC May 11-14.

Background

LWVMN is entitled to two delegates; Jean Tews has already agreed to go (nominated by Board at February meeting).

12. Conference for Women Elected Officials: Motion: to contribute _____ to the conference.

Background

The conference is sponsored by the Women's Education Fund, the tax deductible arm of the Women's Political Caucus. They want a contribution from us to defray the cost of mailing invitations. This is a statewide conference to be held April 4 and 5. LWVMN will be able to distribute membership information at the conference.

13. ERA Petition Drive: Motion: to gratefully receive the ERA petitions from the local Leagues and to forward them to LWVUS.

Background

We collected 650 signatures.

DISCUSSION

14. Annual Reports: here are your annual reports. (Enclosed - yellow) Fill out your section and return to the April 21 Board meeting. We will also discuss A and B at that time.

15. Liaison Calls: forms to be handed out at the Board meeting.
16. Presentation of the Nominating Committee report: Carolyn Cushing will be with us to present the report of her committee (Bev Pehler, LWV-St. Cloud, Geri Nelson, LWV-Anoka-Blaine-Coon Rapids, Erica Buffington, LWV-St. Louis Park, Dorothy Lucas, LWV-Austin).

17. Shakopee Study:

Background

The Shakopee LWV is planning to testify on their position on the women's correctional facility in Shakopee with permission from Burkhalter, Tews, and Scribner. The position is consistent with LWVMN in Corrections and Human Resources with the added advantage of being a local action in favor of funds for a new facility in Shakopee. The local representative and the director of the present facility are in accord with the Shakopee position. The position was reached after a year's study that was well done and included a tour and also a community survey.

I will be attending the hearing to support the Shakopee delegation but will not offer testimony at this time.

LWV Shakopee's position on the Minnesota correctional institution for Women at Shakopee: LWV-Shakopee maintains that the facilities at the Minnesota Correction Institution for Women in Shakopee are not capable of providing adequate security to the community. The institution in its present condition severely limits the recreational and educational opportunities to the inmates. The institution does not provide a safe and humane living environment for the inmates and staff.

The League recommends that a new facility be built in Shakopee and that it should be enclosed in some manner and a new facility should contain a separate unit for prisoners with acute psychiatric problems.

LWV-Shakopee wants to put their background information and testimony in 3rd class mailing to the local League presidents.

18. Nuclear Energy project: the revised draft has been sent to readers for review and comment. Readers represent both a pro and con point of view and a reader for technical accuracy. In addition the LWVMN Energy Committee has been asked to read and comment. There are a few copies available in the office for anyone to read if interested.

INFORMATION

19. OUTLOOK directions: your input for the OUTLOOK will be due at the April Board meeting (note: April 21, one week later than usual).

We basically want a revision of last year's OUTLOOK--additions and deletions plus dates and deadlines for things you are planning or things you want from local Leagues. We will ask local Leagues to use this as a supplement to last year's OUTLOOK. We plan to send this in lieu of the April Board memo.
20. Minnesota Future Homemakers of America: the Minnesota Future Homemakers of America are holding their state convention at the Leamington Hotel in Minneapolis, April 9-11. They have asked LWVMN to provide two seminars (for 50 people each) on the legislative process. I have reserved Room 125 in the Capitol for these sessions which are scheduled to begin at 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on April 10. I realize you will all be exhausted from the humongous Day on the Hill. However, ... I feel this would be a good opportunity for membership and program chairs to share their areas of expertise. I do need your help - let me know if you have an opening on your calendar that morning!
21. Day on the Hill: check in at Holiday Inn on April 8
7:00 p.m. program begins
speakers on reapportionment, followed by a briefing on LWVMN

legislative issues by LWVMN program chairs and lobbyists.
Lobbying materials will be provided.

April 9

8:30 coffee and rolls at the Weyerhaeuser Room at the Minnesota
Historical Society

9:00 introduction by a League leader

9:15 Senate Majority Leader Roger Moe will speak on legislative
issues--especially on reapportionment and the budget

9:45 Governor Quie will speak on same thing

We will leave rest of day open, provide tours of Capitol, people
will attend hearings, sessions. We will encourage people to
invite their legislators to lunch. Open House will be held at
the state office from 3 to 5.

More details will be available at the Board meeting.

ACTION COMMITTEE

February 2, 1982

PRESENT: Greener, Weinig, Armstrong, Lucas, Grimsby, Crampton, Keppel, Buffington, Bacon, Duffy, Lammers, Mayne, Tews, Bayless, Burkhalter, Bradley, Kurak, Kelso.

MINUTES: Corrections: p. 4, IR, change to: Duluth proposes a Citizens Guide to Arms Control.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

Sharon Lammers will be observing in the area of Criminal Justice and possibly Social Policy and Government.

REAPPORTIONMENT: Plans have been submitted to the legislature and the court. The Senate has presented congressional and legislative plans. Private parties have submitted plans. They are all open for inspection at the District Court in Mpls. A bill has been introduced in the Senate and House that would change the precinct caucus date to the last Saturday in April.

The court's deadline is 3/12, but the appeal process could go on a long time. Is there any time frame? Unknown. Whether it becomes a judgement or a ruling makes a difference in the deadline. The League can't do anything now. You can only appeal if you have previously intervened. We should look at the plans and be familiar with them. One possible way to go will be to have the present precincts meet on the 23rd to do all their regular business except endorsements. An endorsing convention would be held after reapportionment.

NATURAL RESOURCES: The 8th district representative on the Energy Policy Development Commission has resigned. 8th district Leagues should be encouraged to make nominations - preferably a woman. Crampton will do this.

Local Leagues that might possibly be affected will be contacted about Missouri River planning.

The committee was updated on the Rochester/Sherco saga. All had received copies of the proposed Rochester and LWVMN testimony. The Rochester statement doesn't include the summary statement agreed on by Rochester and the other affected Leagues. Rochester has agreed to add the complete summary statement. The last paragraph of their statement now reads: In summary, the League of Women Voters of Rochester looked at several options for meeting SMMPA energy needs; those were conservation, the purchase of a 300 MW share of NSP Sherco III plant, construction of a 300 MW plant in S.E. Minnesota, or construction of one 200 MW plant in S.E. Minnesota and two 50 MW plants in S.W. Minnesota. The preference of our membership is the purchase of a 300 MW share of NSP's Sherco III plant should the plant be built.

They will give testimony on 2/25, LWVMN on 3/8. The LWVMN testimony mentions only NSP - all companies should be mentioned. Also, change references to pollution control devices on Sherco. They'll use dry scrubbers instead of wet scrubbers. Sherco III is going to be built. There's no doubt about that now. Our testimony should include conditions that should be attached to the building of the plant.

MOTION: To approve the testimonies as amended.

MOVER: Bayless

Seconded.

Carried.

DAY ON THE HILL: February 19 is the last day for new bills to be received by committees.

Hopefully, the legislature won't adjourn until after 3/4. Chief Justice Amdahl will be the evening speaker. There will be briefings from the lobbyists and the Program people. On the 4th, Sieben and Ashbach will speak about current issues. Lobbyists will speak again briefly.

That morning session will be filmed and available to go along with the Citizens in Action book. Open house in the office is the afternoon. Let Weinig know if you will bring cookies/bars.

We will eliminate the lobbyist report form from the kit.

All lobbyists and program chairs plan to attend both days.

CAPITOL LETTER: Next deadline for articles is 2/23.

In many areas there have been no bills introduced yet - just proposals being talked about. Write about the proposals for this issue of CL going out this week - those with a reasonable chance of introduction.

Next Action Committee meeting is 2/23.

GOVERNMENT: The Cannon Falls unit of the Red Wing League has run into an open meeting problem with their hospital board. Buffington has been advising them. The Red Wing League is encouraging Phil Duff, reporter from their newspaper, to investigate the issue.

Voting Rights - both the Senators are authors. We issued a press release announcing it. Both offices were pleased with it.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: Bradley testified at 8:00 a.m. 2/2 on the women's correctional facility.

The Commissioner of Corrections is opposed to the Rochester site and wants to keep the status quo for another year. Rep. Rees has introduced a bill, HF 1400, to construct a facility in Shakopee. We are urging building in stages as funding allows. It is estimated it will take 3.3 million to remodel Rochester, and that leave out a lot. Rep. Staten favors the move to Rochester and requested information on the desirability of having children close to the mothers. The Commissioner of Corrections pointed out that there is a degree of separation of inmates at Shakopee that would be impossible at Rochester.

Shakopee has informed Rochester about their testimony, and Kelso will give them a full briefing at the Rochester Board meeting. Shakopee LWV will appear on Ch. 2 at 4:00 p.m. on 2/13 and 2/18 to discuss the women's facility.

The Senate is doing nothing so far on this issue.

Judiciary - There is a hearing on the appellate court on 2/2. The Bar Association and the Supreme Court are pushing for the court through the amendment process. Rep. Jude had preferred the statutory process but will go along with amending. If that fails, then it will have to go the statutory route. That would make it an arm of the district court. The existence of an appellate court would allow the Supreme Court to cut back to 7 justices.

NR: The newly organized Department of Energy and Planning and Development is considering doing both siting and issuing certificates of need. EQB has been doing siting, and it hasn't been working well. The Sierra Club, etc. favor it. Rep. Knoll wants the League involved. It falls within our Government position.

MOTION: To support the reorganization of the DEPD so that the Commissioner can make both siting and certificate of need decisions.

MOVER: Buffington

SECONDED.

CARRIED.

A statement about this will appear in the Capitol Letter.

The Governor's Commission on Environmental Quality has met. A recycling/deposit committee is being organized. The Commission would like to see MN markets developed for recycled materials.

The Winona Nuclear Energy Meeting went well except a few in the audience regarded Grimsby as pro-nuke.

EDUCATION: Right now, the legislature mainly wants to help local school districts adjust to and live with the legislation passed in the special session. They are examining mandatory programs. There may be legislative action on department rules and regulations. There is a lot that isn't actually mandated. Districts often only have to start up programs in order to get money. Also, there is a procedure for waiving programs.

Gifted and talented were cut just at the same rate as other programs. The Coalition will focus on helping local districts.

Some changes in PELRA laws have been proposed, but no real changes in the right to strike are expected.

SOICAL POLICY: There is an amendment to the Human Rights Act that would include sexual harassment, and a bill that would allow payment of unemployment compensation if sexual harassment is the cause of unemployment. Lucas will find out about unemployment compensation in other areas of discrimination. Both proposals may fall under the Equality of Opportunity in Employment position. Lucas will call national. ERA money raised for Georgia now goes to national. Peggy will send letter of condolence to LWV-Georgia.

An AFDC work incentive bill has been introduced by Samuelson and Berglin. They want to figure out a way people can continue to work under the new federal standards. They can raise the standard of need to do it. There will be a 6-month lag time to determine the legality. Medical benefits would stay the same. We can support this. The Governor opposes it, therefore the Department of Welfare opposes it although Noot originally indicated support.

Job-sharing has been extended for 18 months. There are 30 pairs now. Watch the St. Paul paper Business Section the week of Feb. 7 or 14 for article on job sharing.

Child Support - there are a half dozen concurrences that we know are ready that aren't in yet. Hopefully, they will be in by 2/8 so there will be a strong enough cross section to take it up at the Board meeting.

One bill has been introduced dealing with refining the financial aspects. Vellenga has introduced a bill that would withhold payment of tax refunds. It will go to the tax committee.

IR: The Spear bill on state investment in companies dealing with So. Africa has been introduced - no House companion. No LWV action planned.

The Treasury Department has made recommendations on taxing multi-national corporations that would cause MN to lose 2 million in taxes. Bill by Senator Mathias. A Multi-State Tax Commission wants us to write in opposition. Betty will contact national.

5/19 begins World Trade Week. The Japanese ambassador will appear in Mpls.

CMAL: There is no plan from the Metro Council task force dealing with community reinvestment funding.

Testimony was given on 1/13 on the effectiveness of the Council in planning and coordination. Legislation is being developed to amend the Waste Management Act. Senator Merriam proposed a bill so operators of landfills handling hazardous waste would be taxed to cover expenses of the PCA incurred in dealing with the subject. It's being pushed fast but has a long way to go.

COALITIONS: 2/5, 7:30 a.m., the Durenberger task force meets.

MISCELLANEOUS: 2/9 or before is the deadline for Action Box.

Citizens In Action has been reprinted by Apache - 500 copies, selling at \$4.00 and \$5.50 if mailed. There are discounts on large orders.

A letter was sent to Sieben expressing our disappointment at the cancellation of Weekly Wrapup. His reply stated that the decision would be reassessed next year. They are putting out a schedule of committee meetings, bills introduced, etc. The Senate has nothing. We're using Phillips to cover that.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15.

REMEMBER: NEXT ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING AND CAPITOL LETTER DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, FEB. 23.

AGENDA
STATE BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 10, 1981 - 9:45 a.m.
Coffee, tea and pop - bring your own "bag"

9:45 a.m.: Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

NOTE: Harriett Herb hopes to be present for the Budget discussion, which will begin about 11:30 a.m.

Mins.

- 5 Minutes of January 13, 1981*/Evans
- 5 Treasurer's Report for January/Hall
- 5 Development Report/Schmitz
- 2 AmERica Report/Higinbotham

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ACTION

- 5 Lobbyist Approvals/Tews
- 5 Convention - Delegate Packages/Nelson
- 5 LWVUS Council Delegates/Burkhalter
- 60 1981-82 Proposed Budget/Herb
- 2 Use of Mary Watson Memorial Fund

DISCUSSION

- 10 Proposed LWVMN Bylaws Changes/Evans
- 10 LWVUS Bylaws/Burkhalter
- 5 LWVUS Nominations/Burkhalter
- 10 Long-range Planning and Retreat/Nelson
- 5 Citizens Lobby/Burkhalter/Higinbotham

INFORMATION

Judiciary/Scribner
Cable TV Focus/Bayless
Glasser Film Strip/Bayless
Hazardous Waste Meetings/Crampton
Convention Workshops/Nelson

*Mailed previously; bring with you to the meeting.

CALENDAR

(Upcoming events as we have them on the calendar in the office)

February 10 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
11 - Waste Alert! - Bemidji
16 - Presidents' Holiday
18 - 1st Class BOARD MEMO mailed
20 - 3rd Class BOARD MEMO mailed

March 1 - LWVMN Program, Bylaw Suggestions due to LWVMN
- 4th Quarter PMP due to LWVMN
5 - CMAL Executive Committee meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
10 - LWVMN Board meeting - long-range planning
- March-April VOTER deadline
18 - Focus on Cable TV

REMINDER: 1st and 3rd class BOARD MEMO materials are due at the meeting. The deadline is especially important because Betty Ann will be leaving on vacation February 20th, and we will be putting out the CAPITOL LETTER beginning February 25.

ROUTINE ATTACHMENTS: voucher (green), planning form (blue), special projects form (white)

ACTION

1. Motion: to approve the minutes of the January 13, 1981, Board meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report: to be filed for audit.
3. Development Report (see bottom of Treasurer's Report - to be filed for audit).

Emily Schmitz and Karen Anderson - 2/4/81

Funds received since January Board meeting:

IDS - \$1,000 unrestricted, to be received in May, amount to be shared in question
Deluxe Check Printers, Inc. - \$500 unrestricted, check received in January,
\$50 to be shared with LWV-Arden Hills/Shoreview

In addition, requests have been sent to:

Gelco Foundation - unrestricted - refused
Athwin Foundation - unrestricted
Joseph Foundation - unrestricted
Fabri-Tek, Inc. - unrestricted
Pillsbury Company Foundation - INDIANS IN MINNESOTA
McKnight Foundation - letter of intent for INDIANS IN MINNESOTA
Peavey Company - unrestricted
McQuay-Perfex - unrestricted

4. AmERICA Report: to be filed for audit.

Background

We should begin to think about closing this project out. We do have some inventory left and get occasional orders which could pass through our regular bookkeeping system. There is very little chance of completely repaying the remaining \$780 owed to LWVMN.

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5. Lobbyist approvals: motion: to approve Kathy Wolfe, LWV-Edina, and Katy Fournier, LWV-Minneapolis, as lobbyists for natural resources, and Margit Berg, President, LWV-Minneapolis, as a lobbyist for Human Resources.
6. Convention-delegate package: motion: to authorize Geri Nelson, SLL staff Peggy Thompson, and Sally Sawyer, Executive Director, to set the cost of the Presidents' and delegate packages for Convention.
7. LWVUS Council delegates: motion: to send _____ and _____ to the LWVUS Council May 11-14 in Washington, D.C.

Background

LWVMN is entitled to two delegates. The major business is "to give guidance to the Board on Program, methods of work, and budget, as submitted by the Board of Directors. The Council is authorized to change the Program only in the event of an emergency...shall adopt a budget for the ensuing year and shall transact such other business as shall be presented by the Board." (LWVUS bylaws, Section 3, Article X)

8. 1981-82 proposed Budget: motion: to approve 1981-82 proposed budget.
(see enclosed changes; please bring your copy of proposed 1981-82 budget to the meeting; operating expenses and income were sent to you before the January Board meeting; expenditures were passed out at the meeting.)
9. Mary Watson Memorial (\$215): motion: to use contributions given in memory of Mary Watson to pay Tom Hatcher of Futures Unlimited to lead our long-range planning workshop on March 10.

DISCUSSION

9. Proposed LWVMN Bylaw changes

Background

(See attached pink.) The committee of Mary Evans and Judy Rosenblatt has developed these proposed changes. Household Membership wording is identical to that in national bylaws.

10. LWVUS Bylaws

Background

See attached "Food for Thought - Possible LWVUS Bylaws Changes" (canary).

11. LWVUS Nominations

Background

The LWVUS Nominating Committee is looking for recommendations for national leadership, which they need by July 1, 1981. See attached (blue).

12. Schedule for Remainder of the year through next year:

March 10th Board Meeting - Program recommendations

Afternoon - Long-range Planning workshop - 1:00 - 4:00 - with Tom Hatcher at Metro Council Chambers. Old and new state Board expected to attend. LL Presidents will be invited. Plan your next month's agenda items to conserve time so we can finish on time.

No Retreat on March 28th - can't afford it.

April Board Meeting - OUTLOOK Preparation. Get together with your successor (if applicable) and plan for next year. Include dates, deadlines, what you want from local Leagues and what they can expect from you. Do not include "helps for the new local League Board member." We can't afford 37 pages. We envision a BOARD MEMO-length OUTLOOK.

May 20th Executive Committee Meeting (School Board Election Day - anyone with conflicts?)

June 13th Mini-Board Meeting during lunch - early afternoon - after Convention.

August, September, November, January, February, and March Board Meetings

October and February - Executive Committee meetings

13. The Citizen Lobby is getting itself together. It is still difficult to tell if LWV should participate fully (vote to join and have a representative seated on the Board) or continue to monitor only. They probably won't speak for or against specific bills but are in the throes of setting some broad goals to rally around. They are considering the LWVMN PSG position as a possible "broad goal." At this point, their stated goal is "save Minnesota quality of life." There will be a meeting February 10th at 3:00 for further discussion of their goals and strategy. Anyone who wants to go with me would be welcome. President members of CL are: National Association of Social Workers (Alan Ingram); Minnesota Education Association (Kathy McChesney); Citizens' Organizations Acting Cooperatively Together - CO-ACT (Jim Fleishmann); Minnesota Food Action Coalition (Edie Cannon); Nursing Home Residents' Advisory Council and Advocates (Michele Bollenbeck); Minnesota Womens Political Caucus; Coalition for Affordable Housing; Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association; St. Paul Tenants Union; United Auto Workers

INFORMATION

14. Judiciary: The Judiciary publication passed a milestone and was sent to the readers on January 30th; we are working on a March 1st deadline if we want 150 copies of our material to be used in finished form by the Citizens Conference on the Courts March 1-3. League has been asked to provide two competent people to be discussion leaders at the Citizens Conference - any suggestions? Should have basic knowledge of judiciary and lobbying.
15. Cable TV Focus: The March 18th Cable Communications Focus will feature two major speakers and three workshops. Flyers will go to local Leagues in the February 3rd

class mailing. Reserve early if you are interested in this evening workshop - future FOCI will be SRO!

16. Also, the Dr. William Glasser filmstrip, "10 Steps to Discipline," is available in the LWVMN office for use by interested others. The cost: postage and handling. Schedule it early - the demand has already begun!
17. Hazardous Waste Forums: Four of the five hazardous waste forms have been completed; Bemidji will be tomorrow night (2/11). St. Cloud on January 22nd was very successful - over 75 people attended, and it was well received. (The generator was a very personable individual - so far our audiences have seemed to recognize and empathize with the problems that generators of hazardous waste have!) Judy Weinig pinch-hit for me at Marshall after Bill discovered he had broken his leg and was fitted with a cast the day before their meeting was held (he'd walked on it for a week). Judy reported a good meeting but with the more usual low turnout. Unfortunately, the city council was having a meeting at the same time on a big new four-lane highway through town. So far, the only difference between prior arrangements for the meetings (that might account for the turnout) is that St. Cloud has a president (Linda Peck) who is avidly interested in the subject and has absolutely no compunction about beating on everyone in sight. (Also - St. Cloud just seems to be an active spot generally.) Judy felt there was no lack of publicity in Marshall.
18. Convention Workshops: League use of TV
 - NW Debates
 - CI Shows
 - Cable TV
 - Long-range Planning
 - Membership
 - NR
 - Health Care
19. Masters in Public Administration: If you are interested in a one-year Master's Degree Program for Experienced Professionals in the Public Service offered by Harvard University, see Sawyer for brochure and background.
20. Service to Local Leagues (mostly an update on St. Paul):
 - MINNEAPOLIS - Cleared almost \$4,000 on their Roast of the League.
 - ST. PAUL - Large realty office is giving them use of all phones for one evening for finance calls.
 - Quie is a member of their Finance Advisory Committee (the blind leading the blind).
 - Mayor's office is picking up the tab for printing the LWV publication, WHO'S WHO.
 - DULUTH - Attended a meeting of NEMN extension agents to inform them on lobbying.
 - NORTHFIELD - Held an in-depth workshop on lobbying for Community-Lobbying Laboratory.
 - ROCHESTER - Had over 900 energy questionnaires completed at an energy fair.
 - STEVENS COUNTY - and other Leagues - Working with Appleton TV to produce a weekly legislative forum. It will continue for 15 weeks with three legislators, League moderator, one hour.

AGENDA
State Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 13, 1981 - 9:30 a.m.
Coffee, tea and pop - bring your own "bag"

9:29 a.m.: Determination of quorum and Call to Order.

Mins.

- 5 Minutes of November 11, 1980, Board Meeting*/Evans
- 5 Treasurer's Reports for November, December/Hall
- 5 Development Report/Schmitz
- 2 AmERicA Report/Higinbotham

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ACTION

- 5 Nominating Committee Vacancy/Burkhalter
- 2 Resignation/Burkhalter
- 10 School Library Concurrence/Armstrong
- 5 Recognition of Houston County/Nelson
- 10 LWVMN Tax Position Letter/Tews
- 5 Nuclear Energy Proposal Approval/Crampton
- 5 Coalitions/Citizens' Lobby and Interchange/Higinbotham/Burkhalter

DISCUSSION

- 30-60 LWVMN Budget for 1981-82/Herb
- 5-10 ERA Petition Drive - LWVMN Event/Higinbotham
- 5-10 Clean Air Campaign/Crampton

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- 5-10 Action/Tews
- 3 Election Procedures/Bufington
- Citizen Information/Bayless
- Presidents' Workshop and Convention Planning/Nelson
- 5 Agricultural Lands Conference/Burkhalter
- Service to Local Leagues/Thompson

*Mailed previously; bring with you to the meeting.

CALENDAR

(Upcoming events as we have them on the calendar in the office)

- January 11 - Winter Solstice Party, 5:00 p.m., Burkhalter's
- 13 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- Convention Workshop Planning
- January-February VOTER deadline
- 15 - CMAL Quarterly Meeting - Legislators' Luncheon
- 21 - "Discipline in the Schools" Focus - 4:30 - 9:30 p.m., Landmark Center
- Hazardous Waste Meeting - St. Cloud Library
- First Class BOARD MEMO mailing
- 23 - Third Class BOARD MEMO mailing
- 29 - Hazardous Waste Meeting - Marshall
- 31 - Program recommendations due to CMAL
- February 2 - Action Committee - 9:30 a.m., state office
- 5 - CMAL Executive Committee, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 10 - LWVMN Board meeting, 9:30 a.m., state office
- 11 - January-February VOTER mailed
- Hazardous Waste Meeting - Bemidji

REMINDER: BOARD MEMO material is due at the Board meeting.

Routine Attachments: voucher (green), planning form (blue), special project form (white).

ACTION

1. Minutes: motion: to approve the minutes of the November 11, 1980, Board meeting.
2. Treasurer's Reports for November, December (green - enclosed): to be filed for audit.
3. Development Report (see bottom of Treasurer's Report) - to be filed for audit.

Background Information

Funds received since the last (November) Board meeting:

General Mills Foundation	\$2,000
Individual Gifts	350
	20 shares American Silver Mining stock (current value \$5 per share)

In addition, requests have been submitted to:

CRAY Research	unrestricted
MTS Systems Corporation	"
Deluxe Check Printers	"
Champion International	"
SICO, Inc.	"
R. C. Lilly Foundation	"
26 individuals, past contributors	
9 individuals, new "prospects"	
Dayton-Hudson Foundation	for Indians
Charles K. Blandin Foundation	"
Northwest Bancorporation Foundation	" and unrestricted
3M	unrestricted or Hazardous Waste forums
LWVEF	Nuclear Energy Education Pass-through (\$2,000.00 - grant received 1/8/81)
International Multifoods	Education - Discipline - Focus
St. Paul Companies	" " "

4. AmERica Report (white - enclosed) to be filed for audit.
5. Nominating Committee: motion: to approve the appointment of _____
LWV-_____, to the Nominating Committee.

Background Information

There is a vacancy on the Nominating Committee due to Barbara Reinert's move. (Three members of the Nominating Committee are elected for a two-year term: Carolyn Cushing is chair, Dorothy Lucas of LWV-Austin is other elected member. Two state Board members - Geri Nelson and Erica Buffington - also sit on the Nominating Committee.)

6. Resignation: motion: to accept with deep regret the resignation of Joyce Lake from the LWVMN Board.

Background Information

From Joyce: "Please accept my resignation as a director of the LWVMN, effective January 13, 1981. It's been obvious to me, and probably to you, as well, that since I started to "work for money," I have not been spending time on LWV activities. The things I now do in my job are the very things I enjoyed doing for League; and I find I have neither the time nor interest to delve into something entirely new for League. I value highly my years of deep LWV involvement - for the skills and information I learned, for the many opportunities to stretch and grow, and most of all, for the support and friendship I've received from many of you. Even though our "old" professional ties will end, I look forward to working with you as Common Cause and the LWV pursue our goals."

7. School Library Concurrence: motion: to formally ask local Leagues to concur with LWV-Mankato's school library consensus.

Background Information

(See attached position - canary.) Local Leagues have had information about the Mankato School Library Study and Consensus at Council, in the July-August VOTER, and at Fall Workshops. In the November BOARD MEMO we asked local Leagues about their plans to concur with the Mankato position. So far 1 League has concurred, 3 intend to, and 4 have no plans to concur. Keep in mind that this position may involve additional expense for school districts. LWV-Mankato's position has one weakness in that it addresses the problems of the larger district more effectively than those of the smaller district. Is there some way LWVMN can achieve a concurrence with the spirit of the Mankato position rather than the exact wording?

8. Recognition of Houston County: motion: to recommend to the national Board that the provisional LWV of Houston County be recognized as a local League.

Background Information

Houston County is the very most southeastern corner of the state. The population is 18,000. LaCrescent, a river town, is largest but seems to identify more with LaCrosse than the rest of the county. Caledonia, the county seat, is the core city.

They were organized as a state unit late in 1977. Within about a year their membership had increased to over 30, and they were recognized as a provisional. Their current membership is 35.

They have done a far better job than other county Leagues in covering their entire county. They have members in all six major communities. (I use the word "major" loosely.) Their V-S activities are extensive - all communities are covered. It represents quite an effort in planning and manpower. They have experienced an increasingly good working relationship with the news media, including even LaCrosse TV.

Their Program coverage in most areas has been pretty good - especially NR. Their bulletin has done a good job of providing Program information.

Their survey is completed and in print - a good job. A major portion of the cost was covered by area banks.

This application will go in without their having completed a finance drive. Their plans are laid in detail and are included, so we assume this will be acceptable. Getting them this far has been no easy task - you've heard of being dragged kicking and screaming....

If they can maintain their current caliber of leadership, they should continue to be a very effective League. They also represent an example of how much a good advisor can mean to a group.

9. LWVMN Tax Position - letter to Governor/Legislature: motion: to send the enclosed letter outlining LWVMN's Financing State Government positions to the Legislature and the Governor. (See attached - white.)

Background Information

The Tax Committee believes it important for LWVMN to state its positions now rather than just reacting later to specific tax proposals and perhaps becoming identified with the proposal of one party or the other. A copy will be sent to local League presidents in the January Third Class mailing.

10. Nuclear Energy grant approval: motion: to approve the LWVMN acceptance of \$2,000 pass-through grant from LWVEF for a Nuclear Energy Education Program and appoint Karen Kooda, LWV-ABC, Project Director.

Background Information

We plan to produce a high quality brochure with a succinct format. It will explain a few basic facts and terms about the technological aspects of nuclear power and the current status of its domestic and international use as well as future projections. It will list figures on energy sources currently being used to generate electricity in the United States.

The bulk of the brochure, however, will deal with the key pro and con arguments in a unique format: on a divided sheet of paper, the con statements will be placed opposite the appropriate pro arguments on a given issue. The issues will be clearly denoted so that a citizen group or teacher could reproduce only one or two issues at a time to be included in an existing newsletter, or be made available for a week's current events and issues lesson.

The project manager has already developed and used this format successfully in her local League and in her Social Studies classroom. Readers expressed enthusiasm for the layout and gratitude that they now had a succinct reference on file following the discussions on nuclear energy.

Our master brochures will be an attractive black print on white glossy paper. We plan to distribute the brochure primarily through local Leagues and school district Social Studies Departments throughout the state. We are coordinating part of our distribution with the State Department of Education. We will encourage local groups and teachers to reproduce the brochure.

11. Coalitions: motion: that LWVMN join Interchange.

Background Information

Interchange is an organization formed as a response to the positions of the "New Right."

motion: that LWVMN join the Citizens Lobby.

Background Information

The Citizens Lobby is a coalition of organizations intending to lobby at the Legislature to restore cuts in education and to maintain welfare payments at a certain level.

DISCUSSION

1. LWVMN Budget for 1981-82 (see attached - green - includes operating expenses and income - expenditures will be distributed at the Board meeting).
2. ERA Petition Drive

Background Information

Talk about short notice? Burkhalter received the attached (blue) ERA Petition Drive memo in January! Think about how and whether LWVMN wants to do anything like this. Do we want a high publicity ERA event, or are we better off sitting tight in (ratified) Minnesota? If we do something, should we try to make it a fundraiser too? Punch, cookies, and petitions at the Governor's Mansion for a small contribution?

3. Clear Air Campaign

Background Information

In November we were informed by the LWVUS that they had joined the "National Clear Air Coalition" to organize for the "1981 Clean Air Campaign." We have since received a packet of background information and media releases, with suggestions for use. These suggestions range from "Education" (passing the info on to local LWVs and asking for their active involvement) to lobbying, research, outreach (soliciting help and support from other organization), and fundraising. We are asked to submit a definite appraisal of the activities we feel we can undertake. It is obvious that for anything beyond simple notification of local Leagues, we would need a specific individual to handle the project. There are no funding sources indicated. The Clean Air Act is up for renewal, and it is obvious that attacks will be made on it

in the name of employment, achieving energy independence, lowering inflation, or simply anti-regulation. Any suggestions about our role?

INFORMATION

1. Action - Tews

2. Election Procedures.- Buffington

Background Information

Several local Leagues have called me reearly election returns while polls were still open in the West. Several local Leagues have already written to LWVUS expressing their concerns and suggesting changes. LWVMN should do the same.

The enclosed letter (white) from Fumi Sugihara indicates LWVUS proposes to take strong action. Shall LWVMN write a letter of support?

3. Citizen Information - Bayless

- People and Causes: The video cassette copy of the PEOPLE AND CAUSES Job Sharing Program is now available in the state office. It is a 30-minute show on 3/4-inch video cassette. Did any of you tape the program on your home video machine (1/2-inch tape)? If so, do let me know so we can set up the state-wide distribution. The panelists were excellent - Jean Tews, Peggy Lucas, Senator Linda Berglin, and the state project coordinator, Catherine Warrick.

- Cable Communications Focus: This Focus is still set for March 18. The VOTER article resulted in three experienced League members who volunteered to serve on the Focus committee. The first committee meeting is set for the third week in January. If you have any suggestions for speakers or would like to participate, just say the word.

4. Presidents and Convention Workshop Planning - Nelson.

Background Information

Anyone having input on the Presidents' or Convention evening workshops, talk to me and/or stay for the meeting following the January 13th Board meeting. Tentative topics are: Hazardous Waste, How to Have a Government Week (LWV-Alexandria), TV Debates, CI-TV Shows, Unit Leadership, Long Range Planning. Any others?

5. Agricultural Lands Conference.

Background Information

The Land Use Department of LWVUS-EF is providing state Leagues with the opportunity to send one or more delegates to a conference on AGricultural Lands in Chicago, February 8-10. Not only is the \$90.00 registration fee waived for League people attending, but there is money available to help defray travel, lodging and meal expenses. Who might we suggest? A state person and a CMAL person? Another super opportunity!

6. Service to Local Leagues. FROM THE SUBLIME TO THE RIDICULOUS!

ROCHESTER - now has a regular, 10-minute program on KROC once a week.

MOORHEAD - probably best membership effort to date - 33 1/2% increase.

MARSHALL - speakers bureau provided speakers for cable TV 13 times before the elction.

HIBBING - used a luncheon setting for their legislative interviews - 30 members attended.

A WHOLE BUNCH - are individually writing as Boards to national about poll exit questions, announced winners, etc.

DAY BRIGHTENER OF THE MONTH - BATTLE LAKE - according to their guest speaker, MN is the Satan Capitol of the world.