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Liberation

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Women's Advisory Committee to the  
Minnesota Department of  
Human Rights

Women's Division, Minnesota  
Department of Human Rights

MINNESOTA COALITION  
TO RATIFY THE ERA  
1933 James Avenue South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

WORKSHOP

on

THE EQUAL RIGHTS  
AMENDMENT

WHY WE NEED IT . . . .

and HOW TO GET IT PASSED

Saturday, October 7  
Student Center, St. Paul Campus  
University of Minnesota

MINNESOTA COALITION  
TO RATIFY THE ERA

## PROGRAM

### MORNING SESSION

- 9:00 Registration and Coffee
- Moderator - Ruth Stack, chairone, Women's Advisory Committee, State Department of Human Rights
- 9:30 Keynote Speech, "Why We Need the ERA," Viola Kanatz, former deputy director, State Department of Human Rights
- 10:00 Panel, "How the ERA Will Affect Women's Rights"
- Employment, Ida Mae Geittmann, past president, Business and Professional Women of Minnesota, Inc.
  - Education, Milda Hedblom, professor, Augsburg College
  - Property Rights, Irene Scott, attorney, Leonard, Street and Deinard
  - Alimony, Child Support and Family Law, Delores Orey, attorney, Legal Assistance, Ramsey County
  - Military Service, Jury Duty, Nancy Gilsenan, Commission on the Status of Women, University of Minnesota
  - Social Legislation, Ellen Dresselhuis, attorney; president, Minnesota Women's Equity Action League
  - The ERA and Minnesota Constitutional Revision, Diana Murphy, member, Minnesota Constitutional Study Commission
- 11:00 Questions and Discussion
- 12:30 Lunch (Lunch is not included in the registration fee. Buffet lunch is available at the Student Center, or bring a bag lunch.)

### AFTERNOON SESSION

- Moderator - Emily Ann Staples, past chairman, Women's Advisory Committee, State Department of Human Rights
- 1:30 "Strategy for Passing the ERA"
- Koryn Horbal, Democratic National Committeewoman  
Mary Peek, former legislative candidate
- "The Legislator's Viewpoint"
- Martin Sabo, minority leader, Minnesota House of Representatives, 1971 session, current candidate  
Arne Carlson, past representative, Minnesota House, current candidate

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REGISTRATION FORM - Please preregister, either by calling the Women's Center, University of Minnesota, 373-3850, through October 6 and paying at the door, or by returning this form with payment to Ruth Stack, 1933 James South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403 by October 4th.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose \$1.50 registration fee.

MINNESOTA COALITION TO  
IMPLEMENT THE  
EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

American Association of University  
Women - Minnesota Division

DFL Women's Caucus

Emma Willard Task Force

Law Observance League

National Council of Jewish Women  
Minneapolis Division

National Organization for Women -  
Twin Cities Chapter

Minnesota Federation of Republican  
Women's Clubs

Minnesota Home Economics  
Association

Minnesota Women's Center

Minnesota Women Lawyers  
Association

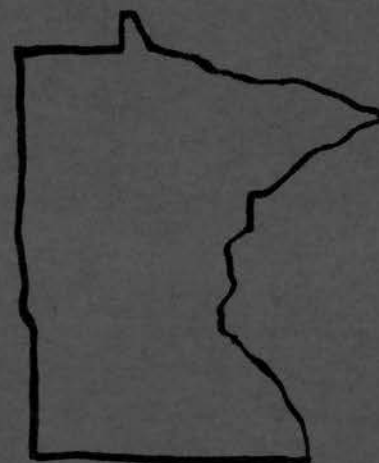
Minnesota Women's Political Caucus

Society of Citizenship

Women's Equity Action League

Minnesota Coalition to Implement the ERA  
Room 100, 1130 Nicollet Avenue  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

To implement  
the ERA  
in Minnesota



a  
Commission  
on the  
Status of Women

## MINNESOTA COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

### History

President Kennedy appointed the first Womens' Commission in 1961. Each succeeding President has appointed a Council on the Status of Women at the national level.

Governor Rolvaag appointed a Commission on the Status of Women in Minnesota in 1964.

In 1967 the Commission went under the State Department of Human Rights. It became an Advisory Committee without a budget or staff.

At this crucial time in the state, when we must begin implementing the ERA, it is time to restore the Commission on the Status of Women to full power with a staff and budget of its own.

44 other states have Commissions on the Status of Women. In the last few years most have become statutory, permanent commissions with budgets of up to \$60,000 and their own staffs.

The greatest resource in the State of Minnesota is its people. Women comprise 53% of the people in this state. A Commission on the Status of Women could help these women, 53% of our population, achieve their full potential as contributing citizens of the State of Minnesota.

### Proposed Purposes

To expand opportunities for women and to eliminate barriers which keep them from realizing their full potential.

To acknowledge the contributions of all women and their varied roles...in the home, in the work force, in the community.

### Proposed Activities

Work to bring Minnesota laws into compliance with the Equal Rights Amendment.

Work for the elimination of sex bias in the Minnesota schools for both men and women.

Serve as an advocate for Minnesota women, their rights and concerns.

Work for comprehensive child care programs throughout the state.

Insist on enforcement of legislation guaranteeing equal rights for men and women.

Serve as a liaison with women's groups in the state

Promote special programs on behalf of women.

Work for an effective affirmative action program in state government for women.

Work with state agencies and local communities in developing such programs

Maintain a roster of women who are qualified for appointment to state boards and commissions.



MINNESOTA COALITION TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (ERA)

University Student Center - St. Paul Campus - October 7, 1972  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

THE ERA - WHY WE NEED IT - HOW TO GET IT PASSED

9:30 AM - Viola Kanatz - Why the ERA Is Needed

10:00 AM - Symposium on Implications of the ERA

Employment - Ida Mae Geittmann

Education -

Property - Irene Scott

Family Law, Alimony and Child Support -

Military service -

Social legislation -

12:00 noon - How the ERA Fits into Constitutional Revision - Diana Murphy

12:30 PM - Lunch "Where Am I Now That I Need Me?"

1:30 PM Strategy for getting the ERA Passed

2:00 PM - The Legislators' Viewpoint - Arne Carlson - Martin Sabo

Dear Ruth:

The people I have listed are confirmed. The areas which are open I am working on. Ideas are Education: Shirley Clark and Carolyn Rose. I have called Anne Truax Joan Aldous and Ruth Eckert and none of them are able to do it. Family Law suggestions are Delilah Pierce - 535-5441 and Dee Orey. Social Legislation: Ellen Dresselhuus. I will try to fill this out before I leave.

Sat PM

No further word on panel participants but I have just mailed the letters, info and postcards to sandidates. I have the name of someone who would be willing to help with publicity - Doris Hirsch - she is a pro and has some free time. Her number is 335-8879 - Vanguard Associates. Good luck. I'll be home Sunday, but not 'til late. I'll be at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco from Wednesday on in case of emergency, but I do think we should do a mailing to the political caucus list if at all possible. Peace! (Can't wait to hear about your weekend)

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MINUTES OF MEETING  
MINNESOTA COALITION TO RATIFY THE ERA  
JANUARY 2, 1973

A meeting of the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify the ERA was called to order by Ruth Stack, Chairwoman, at 8:05 p.m. January 2, 1973 in Room 100, YWCA Building.

The following organizations were represented:

Minnesota Womens Lawyers  
DFL Womens Caucus  
League Women Voters-Minneapolis  
Minn. Federation Business and Professional Womens Clubs  
National Organization for Women  
Womens Advisory Comm. - Minn. Department Human Rights  
Minnesota Home Economics Association  
AAUW - Minneapolis (Mary McDonald)

League of Women Voters-Minn. and Minnesota Womens Political  
Caucus arrived after roll call

Ann Weyrauch, Republican Womens Federation  
Richard Doyle and Miss Miller attended meeting as  
representatives of the Mens Rights Association  
Mary Bremer, Publicity and Mary Hawkins, Acting Recording Sec'y

Motion made by Irene Scott that the minutes of the December 18, 1972 meeting be approved as mailed. Motion seconded and carried by vote.

Ruth Stack reported for Emily Ann Staples (Treasurer) a balance of \$229.49 in the account. An additional \$100 received from Minnesota Womens Lawyers and \$50 expected from the Universalists. Cost of kits distributed to legislators on January 2, 1973 is \$370.00.

Jule Johnson introduced Mr. Richard Doyle, representative of Mens Rights Association, which had indicated an interest in joining the Minnesota Coalition.

Koryn Horbal reported for the Lobbying Committee that (1) kits were handed to legislators this day by twelve women; (2) opinion that no lobbying be done, just a request to legislators to read through the materials in kit; (3) meeting of lobbying committee set for Saturday, January 6th at 10:00 a.m. in Room 100, YWCA, request for speakers at hearing to also meet with lobbying committee; (4) in questioning legislators, military aspect and family life are main concerns in voting for ERA; (5) members of Senate Judiciary Committee are Jack Davies, Tennyson, Gerry Anderson, Blatz, Doty, Skip Humphrey, E. Jensen, J. Keefe, H. Knutson, Jim ,ord, Bea McCutcher, E. Novack, J. O'Neill, G. Perpich, G. Pillsbury, Dave Schaaf and S. Thorpe; (6) members of House Judiciary Committee are Parish, Bruce Vento, S. Adams, Bob Bell, Tom Berg, Lynden Carlson, Neil Dieterich, Dave Fjoslund, Peter Fugine, Joan Grove, Tom Hagedorn, Neil Haagerud, Julian Hook, John Johnson, Tad Jude, Ray Kempf, Walter Klos, Gerald Knickerbacher, E. Lindstrom, John Lindstrom, Vincent Lombardi, Richard Menke, Dan Moe, Wm. Ojala, Ray Pavlack, Robert Pavlack, Harry Sieben, Jr. Mike Sieben, Charles Weaver, Robert Vanosek, Tom Resner, Henry Savelkoul.



Ann Weyrauch was requested by Koryn Horbal to poll the Republicans on the Senate and House Judiciary Committees regarding vote on ERA.

Discussion was held on arranging to have women in committee room on Monday, January 8th for the hearings. Jule Johnson offered to make arrangements upon notice. Each representative will be responsible to contact members of their own organization to write letters to the legislators and arrange with Jule Johnson for attendance at the hearings.

Mary Bremer stated she had talked with Sister Alberta of St. Catherines College re stand taken by the Archbishop and it was recommended to have a group of Catholic women speak with the Archbishop. Miss Klos, Mary Jo Richardson and Helena Murray named as possible emissaries.

Jule Johnson was commended by the representatives for her work in assembling the legislator kits.

Report from Speakers Bureau given by Jule Johnson: (1) request again for speakers to attend nine individual meetings to be held by Junior League at residences on January 10th at 10:00 a.m.; (2) announced that Jule Johnson and Jean Coin will speak at St. Catherines College Jan 16th on ERA; (3) ten minute speech by Jule Johnson to National Secretaries Association on January 4th; (4) Ida Geittmann to be speaker in a closed TV show on Jan 9th at 1:00 p.m. Vets Hospital; (5) Rochester Nurses Association requested speaker for meeting on January 8th, 7:30 p.m.

Mary Bremer as Publicity Chairwoman, asked to arrange an audience with the Archbishop to discuss ERA and report at Jan 8th meeting.

Jule Johnson read letters received from Legion Posts. One from National American Legion stated no motion made on ERA from national level and knew of no official action taken by state legion groups.

Ruth Stack stated that 2000 fact sheets were available for distribution. Mr. Doyle offered to distribute 100, Jan Dieterich will distribute some to Legislator's wives attending opening session Jan 3rd.

Sue Holmes reported that in investigating the purchase of buttons, the cost would be \$20 per one hundred, plus \$45 charge for set up. Decision reached to use ERA NOW gummed labels provided by National Organization for Women.

Invitation was given by Ruth Stack to attend a meeting sponsored by Womens Advisory Council at the Citizens Aid Building January 10th at 12:00 - Arvonne Fraser speaker.

Mr. Doyle asked for a guarantee of the Minnesota Coalition as to stand on ERA regarding men's rights. Pam Berkwitz moved that the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify Equal Rights Amendment be on record as recognizing that the ERA guarantees equal rights for the male sex as well as the female sex in all areas of the law. Motion seconded by Irene Scott and carried by vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. with the announcement that the next meeting would be held MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L. Hawkins

Next meeting 1/8/73



## MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Coalition to Ratify the Equal Rights Amendment  
December 18, 1972

A regular meeting of the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify the ERA was called to order by Ruth Stack, Chairwoman, at 8:20 p.m., December 18, 1972 in Room 100, YWCA Building.

Representatives of following organizations responded to roll call:

DFL Womens Caucus; League of Women Voters, Minn. Federation Business and Professional Womens Clubs, Inc.; National Organization for Women; Womens Advisory Comm - Minn. Department of Human Rights; AAUW.

Minnesota Womens Political Caucus; Minn. Womens Center - after roll call

Guests: Sarah Webb and two young women from Macalester College; Mary Hawkins, acting recording secretary

The minutes of December 11th meeting were approved as printed and mailed, with the exception that the next meeting date was in error, should be Tuesday, January 2, 1973.

Jule Johnson announced that the Altrusa Club has joined the Minnesota Coalition - Eileen Fredrickson, representative.

A letter received from the Executive Director of Greater Minneapolis Girl Scout Council was read by Jule Johnson, in which they gave their support of ERA but their efforts are primarily directed to young girls and cannot take time to participate in meetings and action.

Publicity Committee Report - given by Koryn Horbal for Mary Bremer. Susan Spencer of WCCO has been contacted and could take pictures of a meeting where action is taking place, like stuffing envelopes, etc. and wants to keep in touch with the group.

Lobbying Committee Report - Koryn Horbal. (1) letters from Senators Humphrey and Mondale are ready for mailing, Warren Spannaus has agreed to write letter also to legislators; (2) six pieces of mail have been received by legislators in opposition to ERA; (3) Koryn is having a strategy meeting with Bob Tennyson, Bob Novack, R. Doty, George Perpich, Dave Schaaf, Stan Thorpe, Skip Humphrey, Win Borden and Jerry Anderson during this week; (4) a rally was suggested, in which women will meet and talk with legislators that they know personally. Sarah Webb of Macalester College offered to arrange the rally and students participation; (5) Koryn will ask Mary Anderson (Governor Anderson's wife) to sponsor a cocktail party at the Governor's mansion at which legislators can meet with members of the Minnesota Coalition; (6) a meeting of prospective lobbyists, suggested from members of the Minnesota Coalition, to be held on Wednesday, Dec. 20th or Thursday, December 21st.

Koryn Horbal moved to ask each of the member groups of the Minnesota Coalition to send a letter of support to all legislators within the next two weeks, Jule Johnson seconded the motion and carried by vote.

Ruth Stack and Jule Johnson will meet on Tuesday, December 19th to mail the assembled folders, referred to at meeting of December 11th, to all legislators.

Discussion was held on mailing versus telephone committee to notify members of date of hearing, so they may attend if possible. Decision reached to have telephone committee rather than mailing because of timing.

Speakers Committee Report - Jule Ann Johnson. Janet Dieterich asked for a speaker at meeting of Minnesota Federation of Teachers on Wednesday, December 20th at 8:00 p.m.; (2) requested third time for speakers for January 10th meetings of Junior League; (3) Mayor of St. Louis Park and Jule Johnson will talk over issues of ERA on KRSI and a tape will be produced; (4) tapes produced by Ida Geittmann for five minute spots on radio or club gatherings were given to Koryn Horbal to hand to Mary Bremer for distribution.

Ruth Stack asked for volunteers to work with Senate Coordinators. Names are to be submitted to Gloria Phillips January 2nd, 1973.

Koryn Horbal announced that a day care center is being arranged by the DFL and City of St. Paul for women with children who wish to lobby.

Legislative Committee Report - Gloria Phillips being absent, no report given.

Koryn asked Jule Johnson to send information on the Minnesota Coalition to Mrs. Kingsley Holman, officer of the Federation of Womens Clubs, who indicated an interest in support of ERA.

Treasurers Report - Emily Staples. Report a balance of \$138.34 in checking account, \$23.00 to be collected and \$20.00 bill to be paid, leaves current amount of \$141.34 in account. Ruth Stack announced that Irene Scott had received contributions in total amount of \$210.00; \$12.00 received from the Minn. Home Economists Association to be added to account. A bill of \$17.50 presented by Ruth Stack for payment.

Lyn Burton presented a proposal made by National Organization Women and Minnesota Womens Political Caucus, in which they asked the Minnesota Coalition to join their organizations in RATIFICATION WITH IMPLEMENTATION of the Equal Rights Amendment. After discussion on the presentation, Jule Johnson moved that action be postponed on the matter until the Equal Rights Amendment is ratified. Motion seconded by Emily Staples and carried by vote.

The ERA NOW gummed labels were shown and can be obtained by calling Kathy Olson of National Organization of Women at 333-6870.

Jule Johnson gave a report on the status of ratification of ERA in other states, such as Arizona, Vermont, Florida, Ohio and Connecticut.

Ruth Stack asked that if the officially appointed representative of a group in the Minnesota Coalition cannot attend a meeting, it is advisable to send an alternate. Reminder given of next meeting date, January 2, 1973 in Room 100, YWCA.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L. Hawkins

1/2/73 next meeting

**LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS IN MINNESOTA COALITION TO RATIFY EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT  
as of December 18, 1972**

Minnesota Womens Lawyers  
Commission Status of Women Students, U of M  
DFL Womens Caucus  
Emma Willard Task Force  
League of Women Voters - Minneapolis  
League of Women Voters - Minnesota  
Minnesota Federation Business and Professional Womens Clubs, Inc.  
Minnesota Womens Political Caucus  
Minnesota Womens Center  
National Council Jewish Women - St. Paul Section  
National Council Jewish Women - Minneapolis Section  
National Organization for Women  
West Suburban Council Womens Liberation  
Womens Equity Action League  
Womens Division - Minnesota Department of Human Rights  
Womens Advisory Commission - Minnesota Department of Human Rights  
Minnesota Home Economists Association  
Jacus Associates  
Minnesota School of Business  
Third District Minnesota Nurses Association  
Law Observance League  
Society of Citizenship  
AAUW  
Altrusa Club



# MINNESOTA COALITION TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

Room 100            1130 Nicollet Avenue  
Minneapolis, Minnesota       55403

November 22, 1972

Roberta Skow, Moderator  
Judge D.Franke, Rochester  
Ida M.Geittmann, Bemidji  
Milda Hedblom, Minneapolis  
Irene Scott, Minneapolis  
James Manahan, Mankato

Dianne Fass, Moderator  
A.W.Faulkner, IBM,Rochester  
Congressman Quie, Washington  
Representative McMillan,Austin  
Ruth Stack, Minneapolis  
Emily Staples, Wayzata

## PARTICIPANTS ON ERA WORKSHOP IN ROCHESTER:

We are most grateful for your help in this workshop and want you to know how important this particular presentation will be to all of us.

Rochester and the surrounding area is experiencing some controversy and much misunderstanding of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution. We believe it is extremely important that all presentations be directed toward educating the Minnesota citizens.

We have enclosed a program for your reference. Time allocations are planned as follows:

- 9:30 to 9:35 AM...Roberta give the Welcome and introduce Judge Franke.
- 9:35 to 10:00 ...Keynote Address by Judge Franke
- 10:00 to 10:05 AM...Roberta will introduce all panel members (When one member completes their portion, the next member will step up and begin her portion to continue the full panel without further introductions).
- 10:05 to 10:30 ...Employment by Ida Geittmann
- 10:30 to 10:55 ...Education by Milda Hedblom
- 10:55 to 11:20 ...Legal Rights by Irene Scott
- 11:20 to 11:45 ...Military Responsibilities, J Manahan
- 11:45 AM ...Roberta ..review luncheon plans.
- 1:15 to 1:40 PM...Dianne introduce IBM Representative (Mr Faulkner will advise who will be their speaker)  
"Business Viewpoint"....IBM, Rochester
- 1:40 to 2:05 PM...Dianne introduce Congressman Quie -  
"Congressmen's Viewpoint"
- 2:05 to 2:30 PM...Dianne introduce Repr Helen McMillan  
"Legislator's Viewpoint"
- 2:30 to 3:00 PM...Dianne introduce Ruth Stack & Emily Staples.  
"Strategy for Ratifying the ERA in Minnesota".
- 3:00 to 3:30 PM...Questions..moderated by Dianne Fass.

Following the day's presentations, we plan a question and answer period moderated by Dianne Fass. We believe by holding this last, most areas of the Equal Rights proposal will have been thoroughly covered leaving very few things to questions. We would like all panelists and speakers to be on hand for this session.

Reservations will be made for your luncheon as guests of the workshop sponsors, namely District IV of the Minnesota Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc., and the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. If you have other plans, please advise me to we do not make reservations for you.

We ask each panelist and speaker in this workshop to provide their respective moderator with a brief biography for use in their introductions. Mailing addresses have been enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely



Jule Ann Johnson  
Coordinator

Enc:

ADDRESSES OF WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS:

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Rochester, Mn 55901

Congressman Al Quie (or his sub)  
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Emily Anne Staples  
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Wayzata, Mn 55391

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Minneapolis, Mn 55403

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19th Street NW, turn left to  
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Continue on 13th Avenue NW to  
first stop light. Turn left on  
14th Street NW.

FROM US 52 SOUTH - exit right on  
14th Street NW.

FROM US 63 NORTH - exit right on  
13th Street NW which becomes  
14th Street NW.

FROM US 63 SOUTH and US 14 ---  
continue on to North Broadway.  
Turn left on 13th Street NW  
which becomes 14th Street.

PROGRAM

MORNING SESSION: Moderated by Roberta Skow, Past President,  
Rochester Business & Professional Women's Club

- 9:00 AM Registration and Coffee
- 9:30 AM Keynoter "WHY WE NEED THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT"  
Judge Donald Franke, Rochester, Minnesota
- 10:00 AM Panel "HOW THE ERA WILL EFFECT WOMEN'S RIGHTS"
- EMPLOYMENT...Ida Mae Geittmann, Past President, Minnesota  
Federation of Business & Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.  
Bemidji, Minnesota
- EDUCATION....Milda Hedblom, Professor, Augsburg College,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota
- LEGAL RIGHTS.Irene Scott, Attorney, Leonard, Street & Deinard  
Minneapolis, Minnesota
- MILITARY RESPONSIBILITIES  
James H Manahan, Attorney, Mankato, Minnesota
- 12 Noon Lunch available with ticketed reservation in dining area of  
Assisi Heights Christian Community Center.

AFTERNOON SESSION: Moderated by Diane Fass, Vice Chairone, Women's  
Advisory Committee, State Department of Human Rights.

- 1:15 PM "THE BUSINESS VIEWPOINT" IBM Corporation, Rochester
- "THE CONGRESSMAN'S VIEWPOINT" Congressman Albert Quie
- "THE LEGISLATOR'S VIEWPOINT" REPRESENTATIVE HELEN McMILLAN
- "STRATEGY FOR RATIFYING THE ERA IN MINNESOTA"  
Emily Ann Staples & Ruth Stack, Co-convenors of the MINNESOTA  
COALITION TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS.....Directed to all program participants

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DETACH AND MAIL BEFORE NOV 29, 1972

PLEASE pre-register by calling Joy Fogarty 507-282-3337 or returning this  
form with check to cover lunch (if desired) and registration fee. Return to  
Joy Fogarty, 1012 Northern Heights Dr, Rochester, Mn 55901 no later than  
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Please make \_\_\_\_\_ reservations for lunch @ \$3.25 each and \_\_\_\_\_ adult  
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Total check enclosed\$ \_\_\_\_\_.

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List names, addresses and telephone numbers on \_\_\_\_\_ tel #  
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form to Joy Fogarty, address above.

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP ON  
THE  
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Why we need it

Who will it affect

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SATURDAY DECEMBER 2, 1972

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MINUTES OF MEETING  
MINNESOTA COALITION TO RATIFY THE ERA  
NOVEMBER 13, 1972

A meeting of the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify the ERA was held at the YWCA November 13, 1972. The meeting was called to order by Ruth Stack at 8:00 PM and roll call taken. Ten persons were in attendance at the meeting. Representing the following organizations:

League of Women Voters of Minneapolis  
League of Women Voters of Minnesota  
Minnesota Federation Business & Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.  
National Organization for Women  
Women's Advisory Committee to the Minn. Dept. Human Rights.  
Women's Division, Minn. Department Human Rights  
Minnesota Women's Center

Colette Berdan and Jane Stovers, Minneapolis Legal Secretaries Association, attended the meeting in the interest of joining the group.

Mary Hawkins, invited to attend to take minutes of the meeting.

Emily Staples, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$324.00 in checking account.

Jule Ann Johnson reported on the plans for the ERA Workshop to be held in Rochester, December 2nd at the Assisi Heights Community Center. Program will consist of a panel on "How The ERA will Effect Women's Rights" with employment covered by Ida Geittmann; Education by Milda Hedblom; Legal Rights by Irene Scott; and Military Responsibilities by James Manahan. The afternoon session will be moderated by Diane Fass. The Business Viewpoint by a representative from IBM Corporation, Rochester; The Congressman's Viewpoint by Albert Quie; Legislator's Viewpoint by Representative Helen McMillan; and Strategy for Ratifying the ERA in Minnesota by Emily Staples and Ruth Stack. Lunch cost is \$3.25 and coffee in the morning 25¢ and is optional (registration fees Adults \$1.00 and Students 50¢)

Ruth Stack reported on a lobbying committee to be formed. Koryn Horbal will compose a letter with congressmen signatures to be sent to all DFL Legislators and stating that their support is expected on ratification of ERA.

It was announced that a panel on ERA would be presented on Town Hall, Channel 11, on November 19th at 10:30 AM

Ruth Stack asked for volunteers for the lobbying committee and also requested chairwomen for publicity and telephone work.

Jule Johnson reported that publicity supplies will be mailed to southern Minnesota towns for mailing in that area, relating to Rochester workshop.

Jule Johnson also reported that speakers had been requested by St. Thomas Aquinas School, St. Paul OPEN School, Burnsville School and Byron High School. A letter will be mailed to community leaders and firms giving the invitation to use the speakers bureau. Jule Johnson asked for volunteers to type and stuff envelopes for this mailing.

Discussion was held on reaching Catholic groups and suggestion made to call the Chairmen of the groups and offer speakers on ERA from the Minnesota Coalition Speakers Bureau.

Ruth Stack reported on the Religious Legislative Committee and that Pat Marx of that group wanted a group of Catholic Women to talk to the Bishop on the matter. It was stated that 60% of the legislators elected are Catholic and there is concern about their vote on the ERA.

Gloria Phillips of the League of Women Voters, reported that 51 elected Senators said "yes", six non-committed and ten with no answer on question of voting on ERA. In the House, 87 said "yes", eleven non-committed, one definite no and thirty-five with no answer.

Jule Johnson suggested sending cards again or paying visits to the legislators who declined or gave no reply. Emily Staples recommended waiting til more groups joined the Minnesota Coalition, especially unions and men's groups.

Jule Johnson stated that a list of elected legislators and their replies on the ERA was mailed to all BPW clubs in the State of Minnesota.

Jule Johnson moved that Gloria Phillips be appointed Chairwoman of the Legislation Survey Committee to contact the legislators again on their support of ERA, with a separate card to those who did not answer the previous request. The motion was seconded by Emily Staples and carried.

Ruth Stack reported that Sarah Webb of Macalester College called to state that the students decided to spend the interim month of January on ERA and volunteered to lobby.

Lois Hernan showed a button that had the wording, ERA-YES. These buttons can be purchased for 19¢ and suggested as a fund raiser.

Irene Scott of the Women's Lawyers has a presentation on "How ERA Effects Women." This presentation is to be sent with a letter to the legislators. It was also announced that Irene Scott will be in debate with Dan Slater on December 18th on subject of ERA at a labor group meeting.

Plans for a workshop on ERA in St. Cloud to be discussed at a future meeting.

Emily Staples will plan a ERA workshop December 9th at St. Margaret's Academy and report at the next meeting.

Jule Johnson announced that the Illinois group is called ERA Central. Companies have paid salaries of organizers to help the organization.

The next meeting of the Minnesota Coalition to Ratify ERA will be held Monday, November 27, 1972 at YWCA 8:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Minneapolis - Room 100 YWCA, 1130 Nicollet Ave.

# THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

## PROGRAM

### MORNING SESSION

- 9:00 Registration and Coffee
- Moderator - Ruth Stack, chairone, Women's Advisory Committee, State Department of Human Rights
- 9:30 Keynote Speech, "Why We Need the ERA," Viola Kanatz, former deputy director, State Department of Human Rights
- 10:00 Panel, "How the ERA Will Affect Women's Rights"
- Employment, Ida Mae Geittmann, past president, Business and Professional Women of Minnesota, Inc.
  - Education, Milda Hedblom, professor, Augsburg College
  - Property Rights, Irene Scott, attorney, Leonard, Street and Deinard
  - Alimony, Child Support and Family Law, Delores Orey, attorney, Legal Assistance, Ramsey County
  - Military Service, Jury Duty, Nancy Gilsenan, Commission on the Status of Women, University of Minnesota
  - Social Legislation, Ellen Dresselhuis, attorney; president, Minnesota Women's Equity Action League
  - The ERA and Minnesota Constitutional Revision, Diana Murphy, member, Minnesota Constitutional Study Commission
- 11:00 Questions and Discussion
- 12:30 Lunch

### AFTERNOON SESSION

- Moderator - Emily Ann Staples, past chairone, Women's Advisory Committee, State Department of Human Rights
- 1:30 "Strategy for Passing the ERA"
- Koryn Horbal, Democratic National Committeewoman  
Mary Peek, former legislative candidate
- "The Legislator's Viewpoint"
- Martin Sabo, minority leader, Minnesota House of Representatives, 1971 session, current candidate  
Arne Carlson, past representative, Minnesota House, current candidate