

League of Women Voters of Appleton, WI
Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 19, 2007
Carolyn Mewhorter's Home

Present: Carolyn Mewhorter, Shirley Strange, Sue Silton, Shirley Adams, Nadine Miller.

Absent: Nancy Graham, Winnie Doxsie, Karon Sandberg, Jody Van Domlen, Linda Cutts.

The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn Mewhorter at 6:10 PM.

Announcements: Shirley Adams stated that United Way is offering a workshop on Promoting Mental Health in the Workplace. It will be held Friday, June 22 from 7:30AM-10:00AM at the Principal Financial Group, 1025 E. South River Street.

ESTHER is promoting a workshop, Advocacy Training in Health Care. This will be sponsored by Working Families and Wisconsin Citizen Action. It would be a three-hour evening meeting or possibly a five-hour Saturday meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Sue stated that she closed out the 2 CDs. The income from the interest helped us in the operating budget. There may not be a need to take money from the CD money that was budgeted. All interest from the CDs will now be put in the checking account and will be reflected as such. Nadine moved to accept the treasurer's report. Shirley Adams seconded. The motion carried.

Calendar: The League Board meetings will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be August 14 at 6PM at the Appleton Public Library.

Slate of Officers – Board Carolyn reported that Winnie Doxsie will take over Membership. She, then, resigns from her position as Action Vice President. Nadine has accepted the appointment to Action Vice President. Karon Sandberg will continue in Public Relations. Shirley Adams will Chair Voter Service. Shirley requests that a committee be formed to carry out the duties of Voter Service. Jody Van Domelen will continue as webmaster. Carolyn will ask Vicki Olenski to take over the Bulletin assignment.

Finance Committee: Sue stated that we need a finance drive to increase our funds. Carolyn will ask Jan Quinlin if she would consider chairing a Finance Committee. Shirley Strange noted that at Convention, it was suggested that Fund Raising be thought of in terms of Fund Development. Sue Silton noted that Miriam Ming, who passed away this year, named the League of Women Voters of Appleton as one of her memorial recipients. Sue has received two checks totaling \$50.00 in honor of Miriam. Sue will send a letter of acknowledgement to Miriam's son.

Convention 2007 The Joyce Foundation has granted money to the LWVWI. The State League is allocating \$100 grants to local leagues to coordinate forums. The Appleton and the Neenah-Menasha League will collaborate in this effort. The three priorities established in order of preference for a forum are: campaign finance, government ethics and election law and voting rights. Upon approval of the grant money, Leagues will have two years to accomplish the goal. Carolyn will consult with Peggy Cox, President of the Neenah-Menasha League, to move forward in submitting a grant request.

Summer Bulletin: It was noted that a summer Bulletin would be advantageous, but it cannot happen this year. Vacations and a vacant position preclude this action.

Board Training and Distribution of Materials: Debra Cronmiller will attend the August meeting and oversee Board Training.

Recognition of 50-year Members: At the August Board meeting we will plan for a celebration in conjunction with the sesquicentennial and a reception for two people who have been members with the Appleton League for 50 years.

Naomiwalks: The walk will take place in October.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Next Meeting: August 14, 6PM, Appleton Public Library, Lower Level

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Strange