

**League of Women Voters of Appleton WI**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 12, 2008**  
**Appleton Public Library – Lower Level**

**Present:** Shirley Adams, Cindy Carter, Winnie Doxsie, Carolyn Mewhorter, Vicky Olenski, Shirley Strange, ,

**Absent:** Nadine Miller, Sue Silton, Jody Van Domelen,

**Call to order** by President Mewhorter at 6:03 PM.

**Minutes** of the January 8th Board meeting were approved.

**President's Report** - Carolyn:

- ✓ Reported that she can not attend the meeting on mental health parity in Madison on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> and asked if anyone else wanted to go.
- ✓ Met with Renee at Harmony Café. Renee believed LWV didn't want to work with Harmony. Carolyn explained that we believe a majority of Appleton residents don't feel comfortable going there. We feel future activities might work out better at a different site.
- ✓ The Lake Michigan Inter League group is asking for dues, \$25. The board feels that we should continue to participate in this because of the timeliness of the issue. Carolyn will refer this information to Cindy.
- ✓ June 13 – 17 is National League Convention in Portland;
- ✓ June 6 & 7 is the State League Annual Meeting; Shirley Strange is looking for someone to go with.
- ✓ We have an opportunity to honor a league member via the McClain Award. The board agreed that we should nominate Barb Hoffman and Corinne Goldgar

**Treasurer's Report** - Sue is on vacation and a report wasn't received by the meeting; The information on current balances is included and the report will be approved at the March meeting.

Bank Accounts – 2/11/2008	
CD 12231	5,000.00
CD 12232	5,000.00
LWV Checking	2,510.70
Total Bank Accounts	12, 510.70
Asset Accounts	
Education Fund	<u>132.81</u>
Total Asset Accounts	132.81
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>12,643.51</b>

**Mental Health Study**

The Mental Health Study final meeting will be preparing the position to be considered by the Board in March and at the Annual Meeting.. Please plan to attend the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting at 11:30 in the Harmony Café.

**Voter's Service** -- Shirley Adams reported:

She has received several contacts from the website; Fox Valley Tech, Secura and one of the candidates for Aldermanic Ward 14. All seemed happy with the information she provided.

She is willing to work *with* members to host neighborhood coffees for Aldermanic races before the April 1<sup>st</sup> election. Contact her soon.

**VP-Program - Shirley Strange** distributed a Program Calendar and packet of materials in preparation for the Annual Meeting.

- ✓ The Annual Meeting will be May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Red Ox. (This is a date change.)
- ✓ Barb Grant will be the parliamentarian
- ✓ Sue Eich will act as Secretary
- ✓ **Annual Reports are due to Shirley by May 8<sup>th</sup> for inclusion in the program.**
- ✓ The officers returning and to be elected were discussed. The nominating committee will have a slate for the Bulletin. It has been a bit confusing because of a few mid term changes.
- ✓ Winnie, Vicki and Miriam have agreed to serve on the nominating committee next year.
- ✓ Recommend Program for 2008 was considered. The report reads  
Recommended for Local Study:  
Take action on the results of the Mental Health Study  
Recommended for State Study:  
Stay informed of the current study: Election Administration  
The MOTION to approve was made and seconded  
The MOTION CARRIED
- ✓ Shirley pointed out two possible bylaws changes, but the Board felt it is easier to wait and review them after the major state changes come through.
- ✓ Carolyn volunteered to take responsibility for getting someone to do the audit.
- ✓ The budget needs to be considered in March so it will be published in time for the Annual Meeting

**Membership** – Winnie Doxsie

- ✓ Announced we have 41 members and 1 possibly 2 more.  
MOTION to eliminate the “Look at League” membership level.  
After discussion the MOTION FAILED
- ✓ There are 2 speaking opportunities, IAAP on Feb. 19 and the Noon Lions on March 3. Carolyn will be joining Winnie at these meetings.

**Natural Resources** - Cindy Carter reported:

- ✓ She attended a seminar climate change
- ✓ On several events in the Fox Valley of interest
- ✓ On the bills and legislation she is watching. Carolyn asked her to write a report for the Bulletin.

**Bulletin** - Vicki Olenski:

- ✓ Announced the deadline for the Bulletin is Tuesday February 26

- ✓ Asked permission to redo the LWV Brochure. She will bring a draft next month.

**Website**

Carolyn commended Jody for getting all the information onto the website on short notice.

**Around the Board**

- ✓ Carolyn hopes to have a Board party in the spring to celebrate a great year and thank the Board for our hard work.

**Adjournment** at 7:27 PM

**Next meeting** – Tuesday, March 11th at the Appleton Public Library