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BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 13, 2009

Present: Shirley Strange, Barb Dorzweiler , Sue Silton, Marcia Hittle, Marlys Fritzell , Sara Companik, Cindy Carter

Absent: Nadine Miller , Winnie Doxsie , Beth English , Vicky Olenski

President Shirley Strange called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. at the Appleton Public Library.

Approval of the minutes of the September 8, 2009 board meeting was moved by Marcia Hittle and seconded by Sue Silton. The motion passed.

In the President's report, Shirley Strange announced that consideration of the non-partisan policy had been put off until next month. She has sent a copy of our newsletter and a welcoming letter to each of our LWV national members, inviting them to receive "The Informed Voter" and attend any of our events. She will tell Vicky Olenski to print our web address on each page of the newsletter, and to send postcards to the members to remind them of upcoming League events. Sample bookmarks were passed around to get board members input on the best format, etc. There was also discussion of the need for a smaller, more portable LWV banner to take to public events to increase League's visibility.

The President announced that a Health Care Reform meeting will be held in Door County on October 24. She asked Cindy Carter to set up a tour of the single stream recycling site, possibly in November. The Holiday Brunch will be on December 12, and everyone is urged to bring a guest to that event.

Shirley has picked up copies of the city and county budgets. The county budget hearing will be on October 26; and the city hearing on November 4. The League will make a statement at each hearing. Helen Nagler will help with the drafting of the statements.

Treasurer Sue Silton presented the treasurer's report, which was accepted and filed. She discussed the need for a finance drive this year. Last year's strategy of contacting former members produced disappointing results. She stressed the need for new people with new ideas to get involved with fund raising. The budget for next year will be discussed at the December board meeting, and the budget committee will meet during the first week in January.

In the program report, Barb Dorzweiler announced several upcoming events. On October 22 at the Boys and Girls Club "Lights-On after School" celebration in Pierce Park , the League will have a booth. Volunteers were recruited to hand out census coloring books at the booth from 3-6 p.m. Betsy Rozelle from Project Promise will be the speaker at the Holiday Brunch on December 12. There was discussion of her request for a projector to present power points with her talk. Marcia Hittle moved and Sara Companik seconded that we ask her to give her talk without the power points because of the expense involved in renting a projector. The motion was approved

Barb inquired about whether the League has a tax I.D. number. The Appleton League does not yet have one because it is not a 501.c3 organization.

Marlys Fritzell reported on the Observer Corps. Leslie Taylor will attend the Town of Grand Chute Board meetings, and Nancy Graham will cover the Outagamie County Board meetings. Marlys reported on the City Council meeting which she had attended the previous week. The issues of interest were the re-development of the Valley Fair area, and the personnel layoffs included in the city budget, which the mayor presented at the meeting.

Around the Board: Sara Companik distributed flyers for a talk by Wendell Potter on the health care industry, sponsored by ESTHER. Marlys Fritzell raised some questions about access to our website.

The next board meeting will be November 10 at 6 p.m. at the Appleton Public Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Hittle, secretary