

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 12, 2010

Present: Shirley Strange, Barbara Dorzweiler, Marcia Hittle, Sue Silton, Sara Companik, Marlys Fritzell, Beth English

Absent: Cindy Carter, Winnie Doxsie, Vicky Olenski, Jan Quinlan

President Shirley Strange called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. at the Appleton Public Library.

The minutes of the September board meeting were approved.

In her President's report, Shirley pointed out that on October 25 there are several conflicting events scheduled for the League.

1. We are co-sponsoring a forum with Common Cause, "Whatever Happened to Good Government in Wisconsin ? And How Can We Fix It?", which will address the issues of redistricting, public financing and campaign reform. Beth English volunteered to represent the League at this event at Lawrence University .
2. The Outagamie County public budget hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. Shirley Strange will attend and present a statement from the League.

3. Members interested in participating in the Observer Corps will meet at the Outagamie County Courthouse at 6:15 p.m. to observe the County Board and listen to Shirley read the LWV statement. Following that the group will adjourn to Fratello's restaurant, where Marlys Fritzell, O.C. chair, will lead a session to acquaint members on the procedures connected with observing.

Shirley listed the scheduled dates for the budget reviews, public hearings and adoptions of both the city and county budgets.

She presented a statement from the League to the Appleton Common Council on October 6, supporting the approval of a special-use permit for a building on N. Appleton St. to be used for homeless housing.

The treasurer's report was received and accepted. Treasurer Sue Silton reported that the PMP payment has not yet been transferred from the LWV Education Fund.

VP Barb Dorzweiler will get a resume from Karen Harkness, the speaker for the Holiday Brunch. Barb suggested that at the Lively Issues meeting in January we plan to discuss issues of interest to the League because we will not be choosing a new local study, since the current one is a two-year study. This study does not yet have a chair, but Shirley has called Carolyn Mewhorter and asked her to schedule a meeting to get the interested members together and start planning.

Voters' Service chair Beth English reported that there are two forums scheduled before the November 2 election. The 57<sup>th</sup> Assembly District candidates will meet on October 19 at Harmony Café, and the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District candidates will meet at Fox Valley Lutheran High School on October 27. She will put an invitation to these events on our website.

Marlys Fritzell confirmed the plans for the October 25 informational session for the Observer Corps.

Sara Companik reported on the MRI training session that she and Shirley attended. She handed out an Event Planning Checklist, and then discussed in detail what should be done at each event to reach out to potential members and make the League more visible.

Barb discussed the website meeting that was held just before the board meeting. We need to set guidelines and decide who is doing what. When a website policy is established, she will bring it to the board for approval.

Shirley reported that Vicky Olenski has had surgery, but she will be publishing the newsletter on schedule.

Marlys suggested that the League monthly calendar be placed on the front page of the newsletter in order to make it more visible and easier to find.

Sara said that the showing of the film "Iron Jawed Angels" was quite successful with about 20 people attending.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Hittle, secretary