

YOUR PUBLIC OFFICIALS



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**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF MIDLAND**

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- ★ 1977-78 election dates



**“..to promote political responsibility through
informed and active participation of citizens
in government.”**

UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICIALS

President

Jimmy Carter

address: The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Senators

Lloyd Bentsen (D)

John Tower (R)

address: The Honorable...
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Representative (Congressional District 19)

George Mahon (D)

address: The Honorable..
House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

TEXAS ELECTED OFFICIALS

Governor

Dolph Briscoe, Jr. (D)

Lt. Governor

William P. Hobby, Jr. (D)

address: The Honorable...
State Capitol Building
Austin, Texas 78701

Senator

W. E. (Pete) Snelson (D)

Senatorial District 25

home address: 2406 Shell
Midland, Texas 79701
915 683-5464

Representative

Tom Craddick (R)

Representative District 68

home address: 3108 Stanolind
Midland, Texas 79701
915 694-2894

CITY OF MIDLAND ELECTED OFFICIALS

P. O. Box 1152
Midland, Texas 79702
915 683-4281

Mayor: Ernest Angelo, Jr.

City Council:

Place 1: Doris Howbert

Place 2: Gordon G. Marcum, Jr.

Place 3: Carroll Thomas

Place 4: G. Thane Akins

Place 5: Mark S. Martin

Meets **2nd & 4th Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.** at
City Hall, 300 N. Loraine

City Administration

City Manager: James W. Brown

Ass't City Manager: Fred Poe

City Secretary: James McCullough

City Attorney: Joe Nuessle

Planning Director: Richard Hennessy

Public Works Director: Fred Baker

Parks & Recreation Director:

Robert Thomson

Tax Assessor-Collector:

Virgil Jones, Jr.

Chief of Police: Wayne Gideon

Fire Chief: Melvin Little

Municipal Court Judge:

William B. Ahders

Building Inspection Official:

J. B. Keaton

Finance Director: Robert Massengale

Aviation Director: Col. Wilson Banks

Housing Authority

office: 1st Christian Church

1301 W. Louisiana — 682-0011

Fred Kester, executive director

Chairman: Harry Clark

Members: Mrs. August Wenck Joe Chavez

Gene Abbott Smith Ray

Meets **First Wednesday, 2 p.m.**, City Hall
Conference Room

Office moves to Hillcrest Manor Sept. 1, 1977

COUNTY OF MIDLAND ELECTED OFFICIALS

County Courthouse
Midland, Texas 79701
915 682-9481

County Judge: Barbara G. Culver

County Commissioners:

Precinct 1 — Durward Wright

Precinct 2 — Charles Welch

Precinct 3 — Jack Leonard

Precinct 4 — Winfree Brown

Meets **2nd & 4th Monday, 1:30 p.m.** at
County Courthouse

County Clerk: Rosenell Cherry

Tax Assessor-Collector: Elmo Linebarger

County Attorney: Leslie Acker

Justices of the Peace:

Place 1 — John H. Biggs

Place 2 — Robert H. Pine

District Officials

Judge 142nd District Court —

Perry D. Pickett

Judge 238th District Court —

Vann Culp

Judge, Court of Domestic Relations —

Joseph H. Mims

District Attorney — Vern Martin

District Clerk — Madge Wallis

Sheriff — Dallas Smith

682-9774

PERMIAN BASIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

P.O. BOX 6391

Midland, Texas 79701

915 563-1061

Executive Director — Ernie Crawford

Meets **2nd Wednesday each month, 1:30 p.m.**
Conference Room in Terminal Office Building

**MIDLAND
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**
702 North "N" Street
Midland, Texas 79701
915 682-8611

Board of Trustees

President — Johnny Warren
Vice President — James H. Ramsoure
Secretary — Ed Runyan
David Grimes
Don L. Sparks
Ann Page
Joe H. Dominey

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

School Administration

Superintendent: Dr. James H. Mailey
Business Manager: Donald Ferguson

MIDLAND COLLEGE
3600 N. Garfield
Midland, Texas 79701
915 684-7851

Board of Trustees

President: Murray Fasken
Vice President: M. Jack Huff
Secretary: Fred S. Wright
Mrs. Gloria Hinojosa
Robert Leibrock
Wm. H. McCright
Kenneth A. Peeler
Rev. Horace S. Doyle
Reagan H. Legg

Meets 3rd Tuesday, 4 p.m., board room

IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

November 8, 1977 — Constitution Revision
Election

April 1, 1978 — MISD Elections

April 4, 1978 — City of Midland Elections

May 6, 1978 — First Primary Election

June 3, 1978 — Second Primary Election

November 7, 1978 — General Election

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WHO — Any U.S. citizen 18 years or older

WHEN — Any time, year around, but you must be registered 30 days prior to the election in which you plan to vote.

WHERE — Midland County Courthouse
Tax Assessor's Office
Monday thru Friday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Voter Registrar — Janelce Builtta

VOTING INFORMATION

To vote in any election, a resident of Midland County must have a current Voter Registration Certificate issued by Midland County. Your correct voting precinct is listed on the top left hand of the certificate. You must report any change of name or address to the County Voting Registrar, in order that your registration be listed correctly on the proper precinct polling list. Precinct polling places are listed in the newspaper prior to each election. Absentee voting by mail or in person begins not more than 20 days nor less than 4 days prior to an election.

NON-PARTISAN POLICY

The League of Women Voters of Midland is a non-partisan organization where local members adopt a study program on national, state and local issues and, upon reaching consensus, may endorse or oppose issues and may take action. The League never endorses or opposes political parties or candidates.

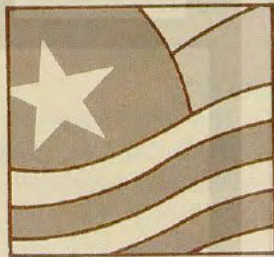
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OF MIDLAND
P. O. Box 7437, 79708

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Updated after
April city & school
elections. Note two
women on City
Council - one a
minority due partial
single member districts.
There has only been
one woman on Midland
City Council in all its
past history. Lois

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Phil Gramm (R)
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United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Representative (Congressional District 19)

Tom Loeffler (R)
address: The Honorable...
House Of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515
local: 200 E. Wall
Midland, Texas 79701
915/687-0188

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address: The Honorable...
State Capitol Building
Austin, Texas 78711

Lt. Governor

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address: The Honorable...
State Capitol Building
Austin, Texas 78711

Senator

Bill Sims (D)
Senatorial District 25
address: Room 421
State Capitol Building
Austin, Texas 78711
512/475-3494

Representative

Tom Craddick (R)
Representative District 68
home address: 3108 Stanolind
Midland, Texas 79705
915/694-2894

CITY OF MIDLAND

P. O. Box 1152
Midland, Texas 79702
915/683-4281

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor: G. Thane Akins

City Council:

At-Large - Katie Heck
At-Large - Gordon G. Marcum, Jr.
SMD Place 1 - David Godfrey
SMD Place 2 - Oralia Corrales
Place 3 - Bart Hotchkiss
Place 4 - Steve Davidson

Meets **2nd & 4th Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.** at
City Hall, 300 N. Loraine

City Administration:

City Manager - James W. Brown
Deputy Manager - Fred Poe
Ass't. City Manager - Mike McGregor
City Secretary - B. C. Clanton
City Attorney - David Reagan
Planning Director - Richard Hennessy
Public Works Director - Fred Baker
Parks & Recreation Director -

George Logan

Tax Assessor-Collector -

Roland Wilkinson

Chief of Police - Wayne Gideon

Fire Chief - James Roberts

Municipal Court Judges - Robin Smith
James W. Brazell

Building Inspector Official - J. B. Keaton

Finance Director - Troy Gifford

Aviation Director - Victor White

Housing Authority:

Chairman - Gene Abbott
Vice Chairman - Doug Henson
Members -

Mrs. August Wenck Joe Chaves
Steven Kiser

HILLCREST MANOR 700 West Scharbauer

Donald Craig, executive director and secretary
of Housing Authority

Meets **First Wednesday, 2 p.m.**, City Hall
Conference Room

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County Court-At-Law: Willie DuBose

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Precinct 3 - Scott Welch
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Place 1 - Charlie Sprayberry
Place 2 - Robert H. Pine

Constable: Tom McGinnis

Treasurer: Dee Thompson

District Officials:

Judge 142nd District Court - Pat Baskin
Judge 238th District Court - Vann Culp
Judge 318th District Court -

Barbara Culver

District Attorney - Al Schorre

District Clerk - Vivian Wood

Sheriff - Gary Painter
682-9774

HOSPITAL DISTRICT

2200 W. Illinois
685-1111

Midland Memorial Hospital

Directors:

President - Tevis Herd

Vice President - Walter Parks, M.D.

Secretary - Pat Estes

Frank Cahoon

Gene Abbott

Meets **last Thursday, 2:00 p.m.** at Midland
Memorial Hospital

**MIDLAND
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
702 North "N" Street
Midland, Texas 79701
915/682-8611**

Board of Trustees:

President - Bill Jackson
Vice President - Ron Britton
Secretary - A. Joseph Reed
K. Michael Conaway
Joseph L. Golding
Fred Newman
Betsy Robinson

Meets **2nd & 4th Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.**

School Administration:

Superintendent - Dr. Joseph Baressi
Business Manager - Donald Ferguson

**MIDLAND COLLEGE
3600 N. Garfield
Midland, Texas 79705
915/684-7851**

Board of Trustees:

President - Kenneth Peeler
Vice President - Wm. H. McCright
Secretary - Mrs. Gloria Hinojosa
Ralph Way
Fred Wright
John W. Cooper
Reagan H. Legg
William Kleine
Jack Huff

Meets **3rd Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.**, board room

**PERMIAN BASIN
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
P. O. Box 6391
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915/563-1061**

Executive Director - Ernie Crawford
Meets **2nd Wednesday each month, 1:30 p.m.**
Conference Room in Terminal Office Building

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April 6, 1985 - City, MISD, Hospital District
November 5, 1985 - Constitutional Amendments

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election in which you plan to vote. A
change in name or address must be
reported 30 days prior to the election.

WHERE — Election Administrators Office
709 W. Washington
Monday thru Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Voter Registrar - Janeice Buita
687-0231

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have a current Voter Registration certificate
issued by Midland County.
- ★ Your correct voting precinct is listed on the
certificate.
- ★ Precinct polling places are listed in the
newspaper prior to each election.
- ★ You may vote absentee by mail or in per-
son. Absentee ballots may be obtained not
more than 20 days nor less than 4 days
prior to an election. To vote absentee by
mail, ballots may be requested not more
than 60 days prior to the election.
- ★ Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

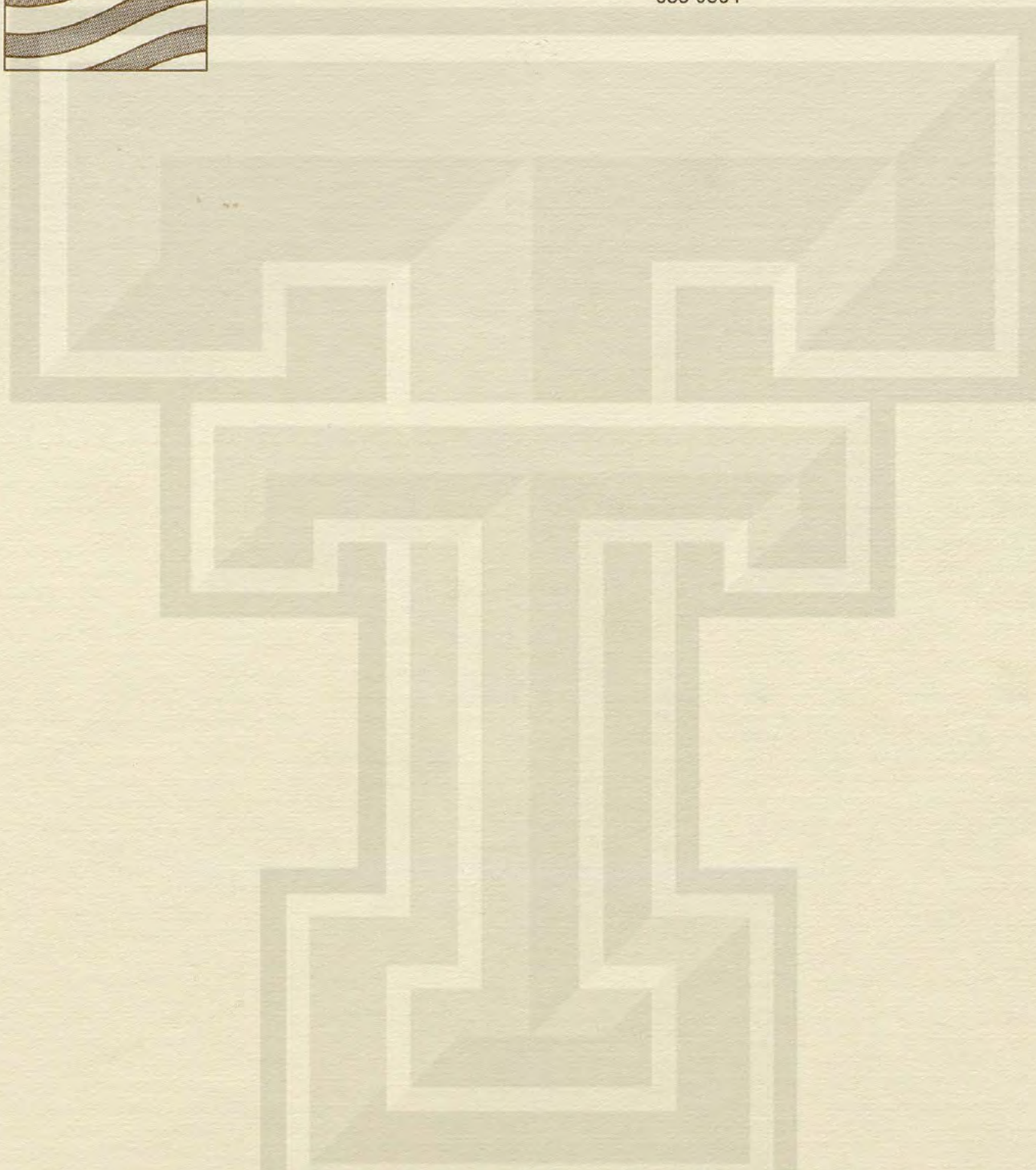
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LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS of midland

P. O. Box 7437 • Midland, Texas 79703
685-0564



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The purpose of the League of Women Voters is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

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T H E L E A G U E O F W O M E N V O T E R S
O F M I D L A N D

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LEAGUE PRESIDENT

PAT STANLEY



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1983-84

| | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| President | Pat Stanley |
| Vice President: | |
| Program | Faye Williams |
| Organization | Nancy Cassin |
| Secretary | Brune Torres |
| Treasurer | Naomi Chandler |
| Natural Resources | Midge Erskine |
| Membership | Barbara Bolden |
| Publications | Eileen Piwetz |
| National Security | Betty Sheeler |
| Public Relations | Mary Jo King |
| Units | Sylvia Drew |
| Voter Service | Susan Edwards |
| Voter Editor | Billie Sartain |

MEMBERSHIP 1983-84

Adams, Suzanne

Armour, Rebecca

Audette, Sister Mary Jean

Bishop, Barbara

Bolden, Barbara

Carpenter, Lois

Cassin, Nancy

Chandler, Naomi

Countryman, Cheri

Drew, Sylvia G.

Edwards, Susan G.

Erskine, Midge

Goff, Ann M.

Gould, Evelyn

Hansen, Flo

Hellinghausen, Marge

Hintermaier, Mary J.

Hoff, Ruth

Jones, Sallie B.

King, Mary Jo

Kullman, Charlene A.

O'Leary, Ann

Peetz, Helen

(Odessa

MEMBERSHIP (continued)

Phillips, Wanda L.

Piwetz, Eileen

Redfern, Rosalind

Rosebery, Charlene

Rulla, Mary

Rust, Ethel Matthews

Sartain, Billie D.

Sheeler, Betty

Stanley, Pat

Torres, Brune

Welch, Eileen

Wetendorf, Lois S.

Williams, Fay

Yost, Donna

ADDITIONAL NAMES:

REFERENCE NUMBERS

U. S. Senator Lloyd Bentsen, Washington, D. C.
U. S. Senator John Tower, Washington, D. C.
U. S. Representative Tom Loeffler, Washington, D. C.
State Senator Bill Sims, San Angelo
State Representative Tom Craddick
City Offices
County Offices
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Independent School District
Midland College



COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

The Midland League bylaws provide for the number of Board members. There are five officers:

President
First Vice President
Second Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

The number of directors depends on the size of the League. There is a current bylaw provision of six elected directors and a like number of directors who may be appointed by the Board. In order that the democratic control of the Board will remain in the hands of the members with their power to elect, the number of appointed directors should never exceed the number of elected directors. The Board makes appointments only in the number needed.

The President is the administrative officer of the League. All other members of the Board, including the Vice Presidents, take on specific duties. No matter how valuable a Board member may be to the Board in an advisory capacity, she must expect to take on specific responsibilities; the size of the League Boards and the number of jobs to be done require it.

The elected members of the Board, except the President, Secretary and Treasurer, upon whom certain obligations are placed by virtue of their office, are nominated by the Nominating Committee as the League leaders without specific work assignments. The provision for appointed directors makes it possible for the Board to call upon members for leadership roles related to their particular talents or experience. Work assignments are determined by the Board itself upon its organization, usually immediately after the Annual Meeting.

There are no "major" or "minor" jobs on the Board. Each year the work assignments are made not only in relationship to that particular year's work but also to the abilities, talents, experience, and interest of the members of that year's Board.

PRESIDENT:

The President is the chief EXECUTIVE officer of the local League. Through the Board she sees to it that the Program and activities decided upon by the membership are carried out. In her role as Executive, the President will need to have a wide knowledge of League PUBLICATIONS. And as LIAISON between the National Board and the local Board and between the state Board and the local

Board, she has a special responsibility to keep the Board and membership actively participating in state and national Program. The President PRESIDES at Board meetings and membership meetings and is responsible for the agendas for these. She is ex-officio member of all COMMITTEES established by the Board or in the bylaws, except the Nominating Committee. The President of the local League is the PERSONIFICATION of the League in the Community.

VICE PRESIDENTS:

The Vice Presidents, in order of rank, shall act as President in the absence of the President. In the event of the President's resignation, she, in order of rank, shall serve in that capacity until the Board shall have selected a successor. In addition, Vice Presidents have a definite work assignment. In the Midland League, First Vice President is Program Vice President and the Second Vice President is Organizational Vice President.

SECRETARY:

The Secretary is responsible for the minutes of Board meetings, any general membership meetings at which business is discussed, and the Annual Meeting. She is also responsible for forwarding to the Board members the agenda prepared by the President and may be requested to help the President with correspondence.

TREASURER:

The Treasurer is the administrator of the budget and the custodian of the League funds. It is her duty to see that the budget serves the purpose for which the money was budgeted. She deposits funds in the bank and pays all bills provided for in the approved budget. The Treasurer makes a cash report to the Board at each meeting. She is a member of the Budget Committee but not its chairman. A membership count to the national office of total number of paid-up voting members in her local League is due as of January 1 of each year and a card file is kept of dues paid by the membership. It is her responsibility to send names, addresses or changes to all Board mailing lists.



MIDLAND LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS' VOUCHER

BUDGET ITEM

AMOUNT

IN KIND
(Hrs. and/or \$'s)

NAME: _____

DATE: _____



CALENDAR 1983-84

| | | |
|----------|-------|---|
| OCTOBER | 20 | Unit Meetings: National Security |
| NOVEMBER | 1 | Board Meeting |
| NOVEMBER | 17 | Unit Meetings: National Security |
| DECEMBER | 6 | Board Meeting |
| DECEMBER | 8 | Christmas Party. County Judge Bill Ahders, guest speaker. |
| JANUARY | 3 | Board Meeting |
| JANUARY | 19 | Unit Meetings: National Program Making |
| FEBRUARY | 7 | Board Meeting |
| FEBRUARY | 16 | Unit Meetings: County Government Study and Local Program Review |
| MARCH | 6 | Board Meeting |
| MARCH | 15 | Unit Meetings: Natural Resources and Publications |
| APRIL | 3 | Board Meeting |
| APRIL | 19 | Unit Meetings: State Update on Administration of Justice |
| MAY | 17 | Annual Meeting |
| MAY | 13-17 | National Convention in Detroit, Michigan |

League Calendar Community Schedule

City Council: Second and Fourth Tuesday, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

County Commissioners Court: Second and Fourth Monday, 10 a.m.

Housing Authority: First Wednesday, 2 p.m.

Hospital District: Last Thursday of month, 2 p.m.

MISD: Second and Fourth Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

Midland College Trustees: Third Tuesday, 4 p.m.

Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission: Second Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.



LOCAL PROGRAM

WE SUPPORT:

1. HOUSING

- A. Increased supply of low cost housing.
- B. Alternative types of housing construction.
- C. Flexibility of zoning.
- D. Housing assistance plan.
- E. Continuous review by the city council of proposed housing developments.
- F. The activation of a Housing Standards Board of Code Enforcement, as provided in the City Charter.

2. SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS

- A. Single member district election of majority of city council members.
- B. At-large election of the mayor.
- C. At large election of minority of city council members.
- D. Addition of one and not more than two members to the city council.
- E. Creation of five or more single member districts to coincide with boundaries defined by LWV map or reasonable variation.

3. SCHOOLS

- A. Increased availability of counseling for all MISD students.
- B. Remedial and summer school programs at minimal or no cost to students.
- C. Use of the local property tax as a source of funds for local enrichment.
- D. Positive leadership from the school board.
- E. Provision of adequate physical facilities.
- F. Programs to promote academic excellence and career development.

- 1. Specifically: to provide adequate library facilities for all students;
to improve agricultural facilities.

- 3. Expand programs which emphasize individual and follow-up counseling in:

- 1. Career education, specifically:

- a. Medical careers
- b. Building trades
- c. Industrial arts
- d. Vocational agriculture



4. LEGAL AID

- A. Provision of legal aid services in Midland.

5. SCHOOL INTEGRATION - STATEMENT OF POSITION:

The League of Women Voters believes that a quality integrated school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district;

that school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership favoring quality integration is provided by school trustees, government officials and organizations; and that careful attention must be given to excellence of faculty and the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

6. REVENUE SHARING

- A. Greater citizen participation which must be promoted by local government.
B. More effective use of revenue sharing funds by assigning a higher priority to much needed community social services

7. COUNTY GOVERNMENT OVERVIEW

8. (EMERGENCY ADOPTION) DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

The Midland League of Women Voters believes

that the decision to participate in the FEMA crisis relocation plan should be made by joint session of the city council and county commissioners' court, with periodic review;

that a public hearing, with two weeks advance notice, should precede the joint session;

that Midland should continue to employ a part time emergency management coordinator;

that expenses for the coordinator should be met by the city and county, with supplementary state and/or federal funds if available;

that a warning system should include all available warning systems, the major one being an alarm system that blankets the city;

that the cost of the alert system should be borne jointly by city and county, with supplementary state and/or federal funds if available;



that the validity of the plan should be determined by a county-wide annual drill;

that the plan should be reviewed and updated annually (following drill) by city and county jointly.

League position of evaluation of Midland's plan is deferred until the revised, updated plan is available for study.



LOCAL POLICY SHEET

In addition to the policies set forth in the State and National By-Laws of the League of Women Voters, the League of Women Voters of Midland, Texas, adheres to the following policies:

NONPARTISANSHIP

BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Before accepting appointment to any public governmental committee or commission, the Board member must notify the Board of Directors and/or the President.
 - a. A Board member must resign from the Board before announcing candidacy for an elective public office in time for the Board first to make public announcement of the resignation. This resignation shall extend until the next Annual Meeting, or until such time as the Board shall decide.
3. A Board member may speak publicly for the League only on issues on which the League has a position.
4. A Board member, except the President, may attend a caucus, political rally, convention (as delegate), or coffee. A Board member's name should not appear on a contributor's list, nor should she install yard signs. Contributions should be made only when a candidate is unopposed in an off-year election.
5. Board members may attend administrative meetings of city, county or schools as private citizens. However, they may not speak in the name of the League.
6. The President shall at all times speak for the League unless the President specifically designated another for a particular time and purpose.
7. The President, or someone designated by the President, shall examine every press and radio release and every speech made in the name of the League, to make sure that the careless use of a word or phrase does not impart a partisan slant.
8. Any official letter from the League must be approved by the President.



NON-BOARD MEMBERS:

1. All non-board members are urged to take an active part in party politics, work for candidates of their choice, etc. There are, however, two restrictions:

A. They may not speak in the name of the League.

B. They may not serve as an election official when the League is supporting or opposing an issue of the election except when such League member was well identified as an election official before becoming a League member.

2. Members are encouraged to attend any and all administrative meetings of the county, city and school where they may ask questions and participate as private citizens.

OBSERVER CORPS

Any member attending a public meeting as an official League Observer will act as a reporter only. Observers should be specifically identified by a badge or name tag.

FINANCE

No contributions are sought or accepted from anyone who is currently seeking or holding public office.

VOTER SERVICE

The Midland League of Women Voters provides Voters' Guides to every eligible voter in Midland County when possible.

Voter Service/Citizen Information and Program Action should be handled separately and by different board members when possible.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Annually all members should attend a membership orientation meeting.

2. Dues are due September 1. All new members shall be assessed $\frac{1}{2}$ the amount of dues from January 1 to May 1. After May 1, $\frac{1}{2}$ the amount of dues shall be charged any new members.

GIFTS

It is not the policy of the League to bestow gifts of appreciation for any service rendered by a League member or non-member.

ROSTER

The League roster shall not be given to any person or organization without the consent of the Board of Directors. This policy sheet shall be re-evaluated by each incoming Board of Directors.



CONSENSUS

The word "consensus" sometimes seems to take on mysterious jargon aspects in the mouth of a League member, accompanied by a look of delight, or anguish, if it is also "consensus-taking time."

The League's meaning of consensus is the same as the dictionary meaning: "collective opinion, or concord; general agreement or accord," but in the League's case, referring specifically to member agreement. The jargon aspects of the term come from the League's use of the word to refer both to the overall decision-making process by which substantial member agreement is reached and to the specific techniques traditionally used by the League, such as unit meetings, to discuss and arrive at conclusions.

Since the League acts only after members have agreed in broad terms what they think about various aspects of an issue, consensus is a vital part of the League's existence. Members are provided an opportunity to become informed, then group discussion is the most frequently used technique for reaching consensus through the exchange of ideas and opinions. In this way, a "sense of the group" is reached. Nothing as inflexible as unanimity or even simple majority is demanded but rather the agreement that emerges from the give and take of group interaction.

Minority opinions also have an important place in consensus-making since what was a minority opinion among one group of Leaguers may have majority support elsewhere. Every effort is made to report which aspects of an issue were opposed as well as those which were supported. And sometimes the only agreement is that there is no agreement. The opinions expressed in each unit are consolidated at the local level by the Board, then forwarded to the state office for further consolidation with reports from all other Leagues before the final consensus emerges. At this point a League position is reached and the resources of the League are mobilized for ACTION.



Revised March, 1967.
Amended 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973,
1974, 1974, 1976, 1978, 1980.

BY-LAWS

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

ARTICLE I

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the League of Women Voters of Midland. This local League is an integral part of the League of Women Voters of the United States and of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

ARTICLE II

Purpose and Policy

Sec. 1. Purpose: The purpose of the League of Women Voters of Midland is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

Sec. 2. Policy: The League shall not support or oppose any political party or candidate.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Sec. 1. Eligibility: Any person who subscribes to the purpose and policy of the League shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2. Types of Membership: The membership of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall be composed of voting members and associate members.

- a. Voting members shall be citizens of voting age enrolled in the League.
- b. Associate members shall be all other members.
- c. Life membership may be granted to any voting member of the League of Women Voters who attains 50 years as a member of the League of Women Voters of the United States. No further dues will be collected and all privileges will be retained as a voting member.



ARTICLE IV
Board of Directors

- Sec. 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the League, six elected Directors and not more than six appointed Directors. Three Directors shall be elected by the general membership at each Annual Meeting and shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successors have been elected and qualified. The elected members shall appoint such additional Directors, not exceeding six, as they deem necessary to carry on the work of the League. The terms of office of the appointed Directors shall be one year and the transfer of offices for both appointed and elected officers and directors shall take place at the first board meeting following the Annual Meeting. The six elected Directors shall be designated by place: Places 1, 2, and 3 to be elected in even numbered years; places 4, 5 and 6 in odd numbered years.
- Sec. 2. Qualifications: No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer or director of this organization unless that person is a voting member of the League of Women Voters of Midland.
- Sec. 3. Vacancies: Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors by reason of resignation, death or disqualification of an officer or elected member may be filled, until the next annual meeting, by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors. Three (3) consecutive absences from a board meeting by any member without a valid reason shall be deemed a resignation.
- Sec. 4. Power and Duties: The Board of Directors shall have full charge of the property and business of the organization, with full power and authority to manage and conduct same, subject to the instructions of the general membership. It shall plan and direct the work necessary to carry out the program as adopted by the National Convention, the State Convention and the Annual Meeting. The Board shall create and designate such special committees as it may deem necessary.
- Sec. 5. Meetings: There shall be at least five (5) regular meetings of the Board of Directors annually. The President may call special meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall call a special meeting upon the request of five (5) members of the Board.
- Sec. 6. Quorum: A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V
Officers

- Sec. 1. Enumeration and Election of Officers: The Officers shall be a President, a 1st Vice President, a 2nd Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by the general membership at an Annual Meeting and take office at the first Board meeting following the election. All offices shall be elected for terms of two years, the President, the 1st Vice President and the Secretary shall be elected in odd-numbered years. The 2nd Vice President and the Treasurer shall be elected in even-numbered years.
- Sec. 2. The President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization and the Board of Directors. The President may be, ex-officio, a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall have such usual powers of supervision and management as may pertain to the office of the President and perform such duties as designated by the Board.
- Sec. 3. The Vice-Presidents: The Vice-Presidents shall perform such duties as the President and the Board may designate.
- Sec. 4. The Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of all business meetings of the League and of all meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall notify all Officers and Directors of their election. The Secretary shall sign, with the President, all contracts and other instruments when so authorized by the Board and shall perform such other functions as may be incident to her office.
- Sec. 5. The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect and receive all monies due. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of these monies, shall deposit them in a bank designated by the Board of Directors, and shall disburse the same only upon the orders of the Board. All checks must be countersigned by the President, except that in the absence or disability of the Treasurer or President, the Secretary should be the co-signer. The Treasurer shall present statements to the Board at their regular meetings and an Annual Report to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VI
Financial Administration

- Sec. 1. Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall commence on the first day of April in each year.

Sec. 2. Dues: Dues shall be computed annually with a recommendation of amount by the Board and voted upon by the membership at each Annual Meeting. Annual dues shall be payable September 1. Any member who fails to pay dues by October 31 shall be dropped from the membership rolls.

Sec. 3. Budget: A budget for the ensuing year shall be submitted by the Board of Directors to the Annual meeting for adoption. The budget shall include support for the work of the League as a whole.

Sec. 4. Budget Committee: A Budget Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at least three (3) months prior to the Annual Meeting to prepare a budget for the ensuing year. The proposed budget shall be sent to all members at least one month before the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer shall not be eligible to serve as chairman of the Budget Committee.

ARTICLE VII Meetings

Sec. 1. Membership Meetings: There shall be at least five meetings of membership each year. Time and place shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. Annual Meeting: Annual Meeting shall be held in the spring prior to National or State Conventions if possible, the exact date to be determined by the Board of Directors. The Annual Meeting shall:

- a. Adopt a local program for the ensuing year.
- b. Elect officers and directors, and members of the Nominating Committee.
- c. Adopt an adequate budget.
- d. Transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Sec. 3. Quorum: Ten (10) percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the League of Women Voters of Midland.

ARTICLE VIII Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members. The Chairman and two members, who shall not be members of the Board, shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

Nominations for these positions shall be made by the current Nominating Committee. The two remaining members shall be Board members and appointed by the Board of Directors immediately following the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 2. Report of Nominating Committee and Nominations from the Floor: Suggestions for nominations for officers and directors may be sent to this committee by any voting member. The report of the Nominating Committee of its nominations for officers and directors, and the members of the succeeding nominating committee shall be sent to all members one month before the date of the Annual Meeting. The report of the Nominating Committee shall be presented to the Annual Meeting. Immediately following the presentation of this report, nominations may be made from the floor by any voting member provided the consent of the nominee shall have been secured.

Sec. 3. Elections: The election shall be by ballot, except that when there is but one nominee for an office, the Secretary may be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for each office. A majority vote of those qualified to vote and voting shall constitute an election. Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted.

ARTICLE IX Program

Sec.1. Authorization: The governmental principles adopted by the National convention and supported by the League as a whole, constitute the authorization for the adoption of Program.

Sec. 2. Program Selection: The program of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall consist of: a) action to implement the Principles of the League of Women Voters of the United States, and b) those local governmental issues chosen by the membership for concerted study and action, using the following procedures:

- a. Voting members shall submit to the Board of Directors recommendations for local program two months prior to the Annual Meeting.
- b. The Board of Directors shall formulate a proposed program which shall be sent to all members one month before the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 3. Procedures for Adoption of Program:

- a. The Board of Directors shall consider the recommendations sent in by the voting members two months prior to the annual

meeting and shall formulate a proposed program.

- b. The proposed program shall be sent to all members one month before the Annual Meeting.
- c. A majority vote of members present and voting at the Annual Meeting shall be required for adoption of subjects in the proposed program as presented to the Annual Meeting by the Board of Directors.
- d. Recommendations for program submitted by voting members two months prior to the Annual Meeting but not recommended by the Board of Directors may be adopted by the Annual Meeting provided that:
 - 1) The Annual Meeting shall order consideration by a majority vote, and
 - 2) The annual meeting shall adopt the item by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.
- e. Changes in the program, in the case of altered conditions, may be made provided that:
 - 1) Information concerning the proposed change has been sent to all members at least two weeks prior to a general membership meeting at which the change is to be discussed.
 - 2) Final action by the membership is taken at a succeeding meeting.

Sec. 4. Member Action: Members may act in the name of the League of Women Voters only when authorized to do so by the proper Board of Directors. They may act only in conformity with, and not contrary to, a position taken by the League of Women Voters of Midland, the League of Women Voters of Texas, and the League of Women Voters of the United States.

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- b. Final action by the membership is taken at a succeeding meeting.



ARTICLE X

National Convention, State Convention and Council

- Sec. 1. National Convention: The Board of Directors at a meeting before the date on which the names of delegates must be sent to the national office, shall select the delegates to that convention in the number allotted by the League of Women Voters of Midland under the provisions of the By-Laws of the League of Women Voters of the United States.
- Sec. 2. State Convention: The Board of Directors at a meeting before the date on which the names of delegates must be sent to the state office shall select delegates to that Convention in the number allotted the League of Women Voters of Midland under the provisions of the By-Laws of the League of Women Voters of Texas.
- Sec. 3. State Council: The Board of Directors at a meeting before the date on which the names of delegates must be sent to the state office shall select delegates to that council in the number allotted by the League of Women Voters of Midland under the provisions of the By-Laws of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

ARTICLE XI

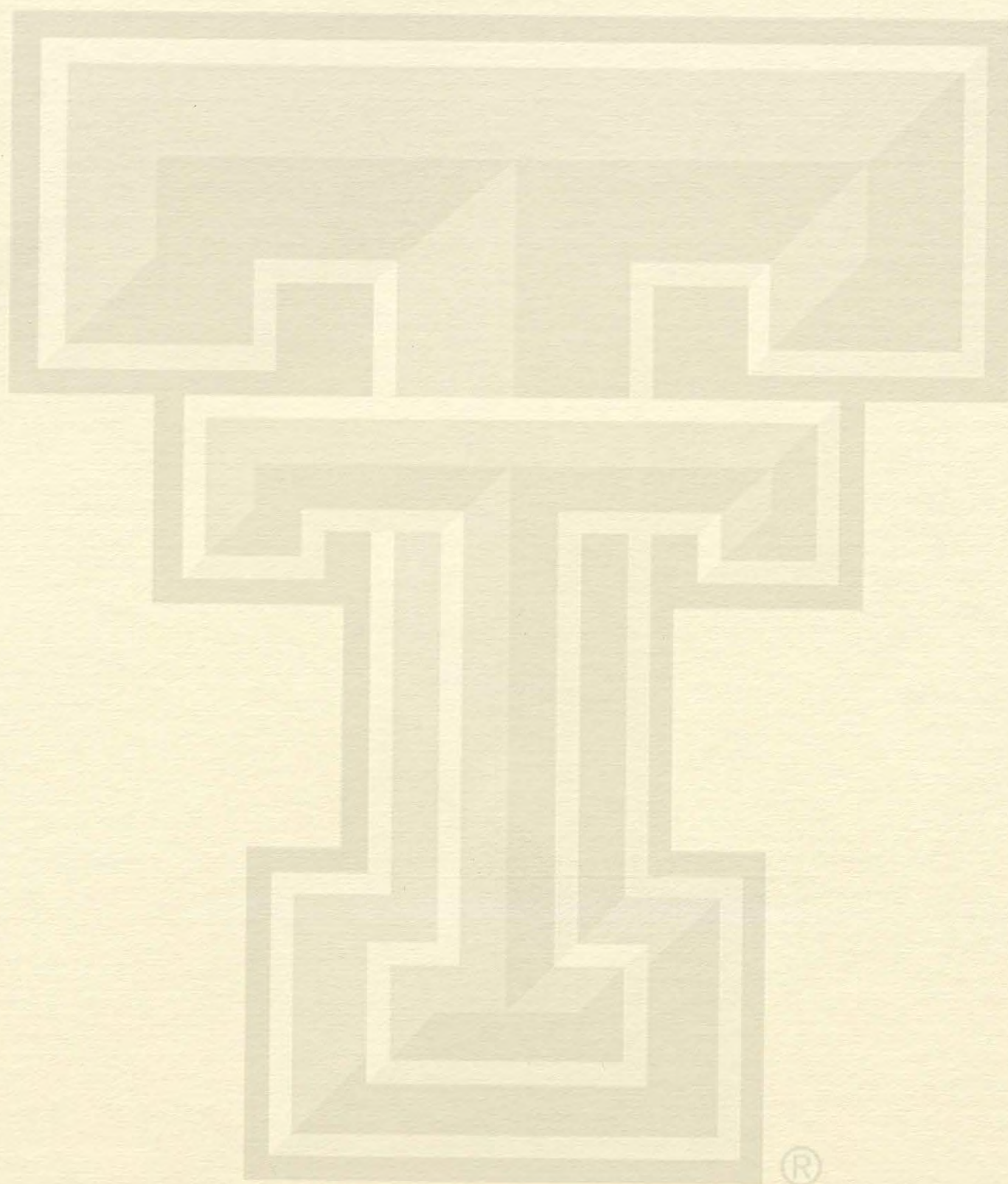
Parliamentary Authority

- Sec. 1. Parliamentary Authority: The rules contained in the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XII

Amendments

- Sec. 1. Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at the Annual Meeting, provided the amendments were submitted to the membership in writing at least one month in advance of the meeting.



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CITY OF MIDLAND ELECTED OFFICIALS

P. O. Box 1152

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915 683-4281

Mayor: Ernest Angelo, Jr.

City Council:

Place 1: Doris Howbert

Place 2: Gordon G. Marcum, Jr.

Place 3: Carroll Thomas

Place 4: G. Thane Akins

Place 5: Mark S. Martin

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. at
City Hall, 300 N. Loraine

City Administration

City Manager: James W. Brown

Ass't City Manager: Fred Poe

City Secretary: James McCullough

City Attorney: Joe Nuessle

Planning Director: Richard Hennessy

Public Works Director: Fred Baker

Parks & Recreation Director:

Robert Thomson

Tax Assessor-Collector:

Virgil Jones, Jr.

Chief of Police: Wayne Gideon

Fire Chief: Melvin Little

Municipal Court Judge:

William B. Ahders

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Finance Director: Robert Massengale

Aviation Director: Col. Wilson Banks

Housing Authority

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Meets First Wednesday, 2 p.m., City Hall
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Office moves to Hillcrest Manor Sept. 1, 1977

COUNTY OF MIDLAND ELECTED OFFICIALS

County Courthouse

Midland, Texas 79701

915 682-9481

County Judge: Barbara G. Culver

County Commissioners:

Precinct 1 — Durward Wright

Precinct 2 — Charles Welch

Precinct 3 — Jack Leonard

Precinct 4 — Winfree Brown

Meets 2nd & 4th Monday, 1:30 p.m. at
County Courthouse

County Clerk: Rosenell Cherry

Tax Assessor-Collector: Elmo Linebarger

County Attorney: Leslie Acker

Justices of the Peace:

Place 1 — John H. Biggs

Place 2 — Robert H. Pine

District Officials

Judge 142nd District Court —

Perry D. Pickett

Judge 238th District Court —

Vann Culp

Judge, Court of Domestic Relations —

Joseph H. Mims

District Attorney — Vern Martin

District Clerk — Madge Wallis

Sheriff — Dallas Smith

682-9774

PERMIAN BASIN

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

P.O. BOX 6391

Midland, Texas 79701

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IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

November 8, 1977 — Constitution Revision Election
April 1, 1978 — MISD Elections
April 4, 1978 — City of Midland Elections
May 6, 1978 — First Primary Election
June 3, 1978 — Second Primary Election
November 7, 1978 — General Election

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WHO — Any U.S. citizen 18 years or older

WHEN — Any time, year around, but you must be registered 30 days prior to the election in which you plan to vote.

WHERE — Midland County Courthouse
Tax Assessor's Office
Monday thru Friday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Voter Registrar — Janeice Bulta

VOTING INFORMATION

To vote in any election, a resident of Midland County must have a current Voter Registration Certificate issued by Midland County. Your correct voting precinct is listed on the top left hand of the certificate. You must report any change of name or address to the County Voting Registrar, in order that your registration be listed correctly on the proper precinct polling list. Precinct polling places are listed in the newspaper prior to each election. Absentee voting by mail or in person begins not more than 20 days nor less than 4 days prior to an election.

NON-PARTISAN POLICY

The League of Women Voters of Midland is a non-partisan organization where local members adopt a study program on national, state and local issues and, upon reaching consensus, may endorse or oppose issues and may take action. The League never endorses or opposes political parties or candidates.

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THE RIGHT OF TRIAL BY JURY SHALL REMAIN INVIOLOATE

Trial by jury, one of our basic freedoms, is guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of Texas.

"Under the American system of administering justice, and in all cases triable by jury, the persons who compose the jury are a part of the court itself. Within their sphere of action, their work is quite as important as the work of the judge who presides at the trial. Their decisions may affect not only the property rights, but the liberty, civil rights and occasionally the lives of the person whose case comes before them. In a very real sense, the public must rely upon jurors for the protection of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Thus it is that in performing jury service, a citizen is called upon to render a duty second only to that performed by a soldier who defends his country upon the field of battle."

Handbook for Petit Jurors of the
Judicial Conference of the United States.

WHICH COURTS IN MIDLAND COUNTY MIGHT SUMMON YOU FOR JURY SERVICE?

Federal Court — Pecos, Texas. (There is no Federal Court in Midland County, but our citizens are subject to jury duty in Pecos.)

State Court — District Court, 3rd floor, County Courthouse.

County Court — 2nd floor, County Courthouse.

Justice of Peace Courts (2) — Basement, County Courthouse.

City Court — Corporation Court, 404 East Texas.

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The League of Women Voters of Midland is happy to furnish this booklet free to members of Midland County jury panels. After you have finished with it, please leave it in courtroom or pass on to your neighbor. Our object is to share the information herein with as many people as possible.

WHAT IS A GRAND JURY?

A Grand Jury is an examining jury. It hears sworn testimony concerning alleged violations of criminal law, of which any member may have knowledge, or of which the jury is informed by the District or County Attorney, or any credible person. If the jury believes there is enough evidence to support a charge, an indictment is issued; if not, the charge is dismissed, no-billed. The judge appoints one member as foreman, to preside over the hearings, which are secret.

The Grand Jury may meet and adjourn at a time agreed upon by the majority, but may not adjourn for more than three days without the consent of the court.

A Federal Grand Jury examines alleged violation of federal laws. It is made up of not less than sixteen nor more than twenty-three persons, and at least twelve must concur before an indictment may be issued.

A District Grand Jury examines alleged violations of state law. It is made up of twelve persons, and at least nine members must concur before an indictment is issued.

WHAT IS A PETIT JURY?

A Petit Jury is a trial jury. It hears both civil and criminal cases and makes its decisions on facts presented in evidence before it. The Petit Jury in Federal and District Courts is made up of twelve persons; in County and all lower courts, six persons form the jury.

HOW ARE YOU SELECTED TO SERVE ON A GRAND JURY?

Federal Grand Jurors are selected from the lists prepared by a U. S. Jury Commissioner*.

District Grand Jurors are selected from a list of sixteen persons prepared by a District Grand Jury Commission*.

HOW ARE YOU SELECTED TO SERVE ON A PETIT JURY PANEL?

In Federal Courts, your name is drawn from the list prepared by the U. S. Jury Commissioner.

District and County Jurors are drawn from either a jury wheel* or from lists prepared by a jury commission*. (In Midland County, from a jury wheel).

*See Definitions

Justice of the Peace Court Jurors are called by the Constable of the justice precinct.

Corporation Court Jurors are called by the Chief of Police.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR FEDERAL COURT JURORS?

Any citizen who has reached 21 years of age and who has lived in the judicial district one year, is a competent juror, with these exceptions:

1. If he has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year, and has not been restored his civil rights.
2. If he is unable to read, write and speak the English language.
3. If he is mentally or physically incapable of rendering efficient jury service.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR STATE COURT JURORS?

Any citizen of the county who is:

1. Qualified to vote (Grand jurors must have a current poll tax receipt.)
2. Must be of sound mind and good moral character.
3. Must be able to read and write the English language.
4. Must not have served as a juror for 6 days during the preceding 6 months in the District Court, or during the preceding 3 months in County Court.
5. Must not have been convicted of a felony*.
6. Must not be under indictment or other legal accusation of theft or any felony.
7. Must be either a freeholder in the State, or a householder* in the County, or wife of a householder in the County.

WHO IS LEGALLY EXEMPT FROM JURY SERVICE IN FEDERAL COURTS?

1. Members in active service in the Armed Forces of the United States.
2. Members of fire and police departments.
3. Public officials.

*See Definitions.

WHO IS LEGALLY EXEMPT FROM JURY SERVICE IN STATE COURTS?

1. Persons over 65 years of age.
2. Civil officers of Texas or the United States.
3. Overseers of roads.
4. Ministers of the gospel.
6. Railroad station agents, conductors, engineers and foremen.
7. Any person who acted as a jury commissioner within the preceding 12 months.
8. Members of fire departments.
9. Members of the National Guard or militia of Texas.
10. All females who have legal custody of a child or children under 16 years of age.
11. Registered, practical and vocational nurses.
12. Practitioners who treat the sick by prayer or spiritual means.
13. Licensed morticians.
14. Registered pharmacists.
15. Agents and patrolmen engaged in forestry protection.
16. Wives of men summoned to serve on the same jury panel.
17. Public, parochial and private school teachers.

HOW ARE YOU NOTIFIED TO APPEAR FOR JURY SERVICE?

The Sheriff or Marshal notifies you by mail, or in person. The notice will state the time, date and place you are to appear.

HOW DO YOU ANSWER A JURY SUMMONS?

You must answer a jury summons by appearing in person at the court designated, unless you have contacted the District Clerk for petit jury, or the District Judge for grand jury, and arranged to be excused or have your jury duty postponed.

CAN YOU BE EXCUSED FROM JURY SERVICE?

Yes. The judge may excuse any person from jury service at his discretion, for reason of illness, hardship, etc.

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR LEGAL EXEMPTION, MAY YOU SERVE?

Yes. Eligibility for exemption does not prohibit service on juries. Anyone desiring to serve may waive his exemption.

*See Definitions.

HOW MUCH WILL YOU BE PAID FOR JURY SERVICE?

Federal jurors receive \$7.00 per day or part thereof. They are also paid 10 cents per mile for travel to and from court. In case daily travel is impractical, they are given a \$7.00 per day subsistence allowance.

District and County jurors receive \$5.00 per day in Midland County.

HOW IS THE PETIT TRIAL JURY SELECTED FROM THE JURY PANEL?

When the Judge has qualified the panel (those eligible after exemptions, etc.) those remaining are then questioned either as a group or individually by the judge and/or the attorneys for both parties, as to their acceptability. The questions may relate to personal life and experiences, and are designed to disclose prejudice. Twelve persons will be accepted and will become the "trial jury." Those not chosen for that particular case, may be discharged by the court.

WHEN MAY A JURY BE KEPT TOGETHER?

After the jury has been sworn and impaneled to try any felony* case, they shall not be permitted to separate until they have reached a verdict, unless by the permission of the court, with the consent of the attorney representing the State and the defendant and in charge of an officer.

In misdemeanor* cases the court may, at its discretion, permit the jurors to separate before the verdict.

WHAT WILL BE YOUR RESTRICTIONS IF THE JURORS ARE ALLOWED TO SEPARATE DURING THE CASE?

The judge will direct you not to discuss with anyone any subject connected with the trial.

WHAT WILL BE YOUR RESTRICTIONS IF THE JURORS ARE KEPT TOGETHER DURING THE CASE?

You will be kept together under the supervision of the officer of the court in charge of the jury. Accommodations will be provided in the court house or in hotels (separate quarters for men and women). Ordinary communication is forbidden. In cases of emergency, communication with family and business associates may be permitted. Reading, radio and T.V. may be permitted, censored or prohibited altogether, depending on the scope of the case.

*See Definitions.

HOW LONG WILL YOU BE REQUIRED TO SERVE ON A PETIT JURY PANEL?

Procedures vary in different counties. In Midland County you will be called for the week, and you may be selected to serve on a jury for more than one case. Your presence on a jury panel may be required for a few days or a week, in order to maintain the necessary legal minimum of available jurors, even though you may not be selected to serve on the trial jury. This, too, is a valuable service.

HOW LONG WILL YOU BE REQUIRED TO SERVE ON A TRIAL JURY?

You will serve until the case or cases for which you are selected are completed, or until you are discharged by the court.

HOW LONG WILL YOU BE REQUIRED TO SERVE ON A GRAND JURY?

FEDERAL GRAND JURIES serve until discharged, but not over eighteen months.

STATE GRAND JURIES serve for the term of the court, (in Midland County, 6 months) except in counties over 500,000 population, they may be required to serve 90 days over and above the length of one term.

ARE COURT PROCEDURES IDENTICAL IN ALL COUNTIES?

No. In some instances there is no formal law governing procedures. In that event, the judge and attorneys refer to practice and precedents, and the judge exercises his discretion. Thus, procedures may vary from county to county, and from court to court.

WHAT IS THE DUTY OF A JUROR IN A CIVIL CASE*?

The duty of the juror is to answer the court's charge from the facts and evidence placed before him. The verdict must be unanimous, but may be rendered by nine jurors if as many as three have been discharged after the case has been submitted to them. The court will render the proper judgment.

WHAT IS THE DUTY OF A JUROR IN A CRIMINAL CASE*?

It is the duty of the juror to ascertain the innocence or guilt of a person accused of the violation of the law in the field of felonies and misdemeanors. The jury is the exclusive judge of

*See Definitions.

the facts; it receives the law from the court. The punishment is also assessed by the jury in all cases where it is not absolutely fixed by law.

WHAT SHOULD BE YOUR CONDUCT AS A JUROR?

- Be attentive to the evidence as it is presented.
- Do not talk to, listen to, or mingle with any persons connected with the trial of the case.
- Do not accept or give any favors during the proceedings.
- Do not become a private investigator of the facts in the case.
- Do not discuss the case or permit others to discuss it in your presence during the trial.
- Do not guess at the judge's opinion of the facts.
- Do not guess or speculate about facts not presented in evidence.
- Do not take notes in the court room.
- Do not mention or discuss your personal experiences or any knowledge that you may have of similar cases.
- Do not start your deliberations until you have heard all the evidence, arguments and the court's charge.
- Do not discuss the case with other jurors until you have started your deliberations in the jury room.
- Do not discuss probable insurance carried by the defendant in a personal injury case or lawyers' fee.
- Do not arrive at an amount for damages by adding each juror's suggested amount and dividing by 12.
- Do not arrive at a sentence by adding each juror's suggested number of years and dividing by 12.

HOW ARE YOUR DELIBERATIONS CONDUCTED AND YOUR VERDICT REACHED?

Unless the judge has appointed one, the jury's first duty upon retiring at the close of the case is to select one of the body as a foreman. He acts as chairman, seeing that the discussions are orderly, sensible and fair. He will make any written requests to the judge and sign any written verdict.

The jury may attack the problems posed by the charge in any manner they like. All deliberations must be secret. The jury may take with it any writing or exhibits used as evidence, and it may have witnesses re-examined in open court if there is disagreement as to their statements. The jury may communicate with the court by notifying the bailiff, and it may be brought before the court to state, through the foreman, that which it

wants to communicate. The jury may ask further instructions of the judge as to any matter of law.

When the jurors have agreed upon a verdict, they will be brought into court to deliver their written verdict to the clerk; and if they state they agree, the verdict will be read aloud.

CAN YOUR MISCONDUCT AS A JUROR AFFECT THE RESULT OF A TRIAL?

Yes. Any violation of the rules of conduct given by the judge, either during the trial or in the jury room, is grounds for a mistrial.

CAN A JURY BE DISCHARGED BEFORE REACHING A VERDICT?

Yes. When jurors cannot agree and both parties consent, they may be discharged; or the court, at its discretion, may discharge them when they have been kept together for such time as to render it altogether improbable that they can agree. A final adjournment of the court, before the jury has agreed upon a verdict, discharges them.

MAY A PETIT JUROR DISCUSS THE CASE AFTER HE HAS BEEN DISCHARGED?

Yes, but it is not necessary, and sometimes is not a good idea. If you feel that the verdict arrived at was a just one, it would be best not to discuss the case; however, nothing in the court's discharge statement should hinder any discussion. It has become a custom for losing parties to interview the jurors in the hope of finding some prejudicial act of misconduct; the successful party, in defense of verdict, also often interviews the jurors.

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SOME PRACTICAL POINTERS FOR THE PROSPECTIVE JUROR

DO BE ON TIME—Tardiness is classified as contempt of court.

GO PREPARED TO STAY—You may get on a jury that is locked up—don't take the family car.

DRESS APPROPRIATELY—In Federal Court, men must wear a coat.

BE ATTENTIVE—If you cannot hear clearly, let the judge know.

WHEN IN DOUBT about your rights and privileges, **ASK THE JUDGE.**

DON'T BE UPSET if you are rejected as a juror—it is not a reflection on your intelligence or integrity. You may serve the next time your name is drawn.

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

U. S. or Federal Courts have jurisdiction over cases involving citizens of different states, cases between one State and the citizens of another, etc.

Texas State Courts have jurisdiction over cases involving citizens of Texas, cases between the State and a citizen of Texas, etc. In this pamphlet, the term "State Courts" will be understood to mean the "lower" state courts—the District, County and Justice of the Peace Courts.

Corporation Courts have jurisdiction within the corporate limits of the municipality.

Civil Court cases, either federal or state, are concerned with civil suits over matters involving individual rights, the alleged violation of one individual upon the rights of another.

Criminal Court cases, either federal or state, are concerned with criminal suits over matters concerning public wrongs, the violation of one individual upon the rights of the people, state or nation.

A Grand Jury is an examining jury.

A Petit Jury is a trial jury.

A Jury Wheel is a device for selecting jurors by lot. It is a circular metal container. From the official tax rolls a list of all qualified jurors is prepared. The names are placed in the container and mixed. As jurors are needed, they are drawn for the preparation of jury lists.

This method of selection may be used in counties having a population of over 20,000, and must be used in counties having a population of over 46,000.

A Jury Commission is a group of not less than three, nor more than five persons appointed by the Judge, to select from the poll tax list a list of jurors for the next term of court.

District Grand Jury Commission is a group of not less than three nor more than five persons appointed by the District Judge to select from the poll tax list sixteen eligible jurors to make up the panel of Grand jurors; twelve are chosen to serve for the next term of court.

United States Jury Commissioner is appointed by the Federal Judge to prepare a list of names from which Federal Grand and Petit Jurors are drawn. The Commissioner may gather the names in any manner he sees fit.

A Jury Panel is the official list of persons summoned for jury duty. In anticipation of disqualifications, exemptions and excuses, the number impaneled is always in excess of the number legally required for a trial jury.

A Special Venire is a writ issued in a capital case, by order of the court, commanding the sheriff to summon not less than 36 persons, as the court may order, to appear for jury duty. From these, a jury of twelve is selected to try a specific case.

A Talesman is an extra juror summoned upon the order of the court, when the jury panel is deemed insufficient.

The Court's Charge is given by the judge to the jury, toward the close of the case, setting forth the law applicable to the case.

Verdict is the written declaration by the jury of its decision.

Felony is a crime punishable by death or by imprisonment in a state penal institution.

Misdemeanor is an offense for which a punishment other than death or imprisonment is prescribed by law.

Plaintiff is the person instigating a lawsuit.

Defendant is the person against whom a lawsuit is brought.

A Citation is served to start a lawsuit.

A Petition is the statement of the plaintiff's claim and demand.

An Answer is the reply given by the defendant.

The Court is commonly used to refer both to the court as a body or to the presiding judge as an individual.

A Hung Jury is one where the jurors cannot agree upon a verdict. When a jury has been kept together for such a time as to render it improbable that they will reach an agreement, they are discharged by the court.

A Bailiff is an officer of the court who attends the jury.

Evidence is anything which tends to prove or disprove a claim about facts, something in writing, an article or the statement of a person.

An Exhibit is a document or material object produced and identified in court for the purpose of introducing it in evidence.

A Householder is one who is head or master of a family.

"Jury service is one of the highest duties of citizenship, for by it the citizen participates in the administration of justice between man and man, and between government and the individual."

Harlan F. Stone, Late Chief Justice
United States Supreme Court

The right to trial by jury is denied many people in the world today. It is a privilege our ancestors fought and died to attain. It is a privilege we strive to maintain, for "unless justice is had in our courts, the democratic way of life is put in peril."

Merrill E. Otis

"He who gives judgment in a case where the law has been violated is that day giving judgment on his own liberties."

Aeschines (337 B.C.)

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or the Sheriff's Office

THE JUROR'S CREED

I am a juror.

I am a seeker after truth.

I must listen carefully and with concentration to all the evidence.

I must heed and follow the instructions of the court.

I must respectfully and attentively follow the arguments of the lawyers, dispassionately seeking to find and follow the silver thread of truth through their conflicting assertions.

I must lay aside all bias and prejudice.

I must be led by my intelligence and not by my emotions.

I must respect the opinions of my fellow jurors, as they must respect mine, and in a spirit of tolerance and understanding must endeavor to bring the deliberations of the whole jury to agreement upon a verdict; but

I must never assent to a verdict which violates the instructions of the court or which finds as a fact that which, under the evidence and in my conscience, I believe to be untrue.

In fine, I must apply the Golden Rule by putting myself impartially in the place of the plaintiff and of the defendant, remembering that although I am a juror today passing upon the rights of others, tomorrow I may be a litigant whose rights other jurors shall pass upon.

My verdict must do justice, for what is just is "true and righteous altogether;" and when my term of jury service is ended, I must leave it with my citizenship unsullied and my conscience clear.

—John H. Flanigan, former judge of the
Missouri circuit court

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A MIDLAND LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS REPORT

ON

A STUDY OF THE METHOD FOR ELECTION

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MIDLAND

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.



INTRODUCTION

The League of Women Voters of Midland in discussion meetings held in 1975 examined information accumulated by the resource committee which directed the study. In addition to general material on local government and the electoral process, the information included descriptions of election methods used in some other Texas cities, court cases concerning multi-member districts and results of Midland City Council elections from 1955 to 1975. Finally, in private interviews with many Midlanders of various interest groups we sought opinions of the present method of election. These were compared and recorded. This report is a summary of the information collected.

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"While it would be foolish to assert that any particular form guaranteed either good government or bad government, it would be equally foolish to claim that the type of government a city had was unrelated to the quality of its services or domestic responsiveness -----."

American Government: Policy and Process

Robert L. Morlan



must live in designated geographical areas of the city.

Place System with Residency Requirements. All councilmen are elected at-large by the place system; candidates for each place on the council must live in designated geographical areas of the city.

II. WARD SYSTEMS

Modified Ward System. Some councilmen are elected by wards, some are elected at-large by the place system.

Traditional Ward System. All councilmen are elected from designated geographical areas of the city.

METHODS OF ELECTIONS USED IN U. S. CITIES

Cities in U. S. with population of over 5000:

60% elect councilmen at-large

22% elect councilmen S.M.D.

17% elect councilmen by some combination of at-large
and single member district

78% with Council-Manager form of government elect all
at-large

Municipal Year Book 1975

In a survey conducted in 1974 by the Municipal Year Book to determine the attitudes of City Managers toward election procedures, those surveyed generally favored a council elected at-large but residing within the district (ward), strongly opposed SMD and had no strong opposition to a combination of at-large and single member district representatives.

RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF MIDLAND CITY CHARTER (ADOPTED 1940)

Article IV Officers and Elections

Section 2 Said Councilmen and Mayor shall be elected at large (1955)

Section 4 Candidates; to run for places; places designated

Section 5 The candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast for the place which he seeks shall be elected

Section 14 Duties of the City Council
(a) The powers of the City Council shall include, among others enumerated in this chapter, the following: The power to provide for any and all appointive officers and employees additional to those elsewhere in this Charter specifically provided for, including those of "City Manager" and "City Attorney" which the City Council may deem expedient in connection with the proper discharge of the duties imposed upon said council;

METHODS OF INITIATING
CHARTER AMENDMENTS

(Condensed from Article 1170 of the Revised Civil Statutes of The State of Texas 1925)

I. Action of City Council

City Council passes ordinance authorizing amendment election not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days after passage of said ordinance.

II. Petition by Voters

A. A petition signed by 5% (formerly 10%) of the qualified voters of the city is presented to the City Council asking for an amendment to be put before the people at an election.

B. The council must pass an ordinance authorizing an amendment election not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days after passage of said ordinance.

STATUS OF ELECTORAL METHODS IN SELECTED CITIES

Information was obtained from city offices, newspaper articles and opinions handed down in court cases.

ODESSA

Odessa uses a modified place system with residency requirements. Councilmen for Places 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reside in designated districts. The Mayor and one Councilman are not bound by residency requirements. All are elected at-large. Since there is a compacted minority area the Council usually has had ethnic representation.

There is no motion for change.

ABILENE

Abilene elects councilmen at-large with semi-residency requirements. A line (R.R.) divides the city into north and south districts and three councilmen must reside in the north district and three in the south district. The mayor is elected at-large. There is no motion to change.

The Citizens for Better Government nominates candidates for Council. Ten of the directors are elected by citizens who attend an annual open meeting held at the civic center. Persons who attend are divided according to their precincts (10) in electing directors who then appoint five more directors. A nominating committee of about 30 citizens is then selected by the 15 directors. From all names submitted to them plus any they might add, their choice of candidates is made. The final selection is made in a series of private meetings. The CBG track record is good but candidates have been defeated. The CBG contributes money to the campaigns of their nominees and thus relieves the candidates of having to seek funds. The CBG has nominated minority candidates who have been elected. One Mexican-American was just re-elected. The 15 directors collect money from anyone who wants to donate to their campaign fund.

In 1948 Waco had a council-manager form of government, the councilmen being elected on a ward system. In 1950 the first black candidate ran for city council. The same year the council put a charter change before the voters without any prior petition for the change. Unpublicized in the newspapers, the charter modification passed; it provided for at-large elections but stipulated residency requirements. This provision has remained in effect until 1976. In the past 26 years there have been many instances where candidates won in their wards but were defeated overall. After the 1970 elections in which this happened, many people questioned whether such at-large elections were truly representative government, particularly for the east and southeast wards of the city. Two years ago a suit was filed by a number of individuals, and the judge directed the plaintiffs for changes in the election of both city council and school board to try to agree on a new plan of representation. The judge felt that because the federal appellate court at New Orleans had ruled that council commissioners or school board members must be elected in a manner in which minority groups have a chance to be elected, a change was necessary. The ultimate result of legal action was a combined election system. The Waco school board now has five members elected from single member districts and two at-large members. The city council has six members elected from single member districts and one elected at-large; the mayor is chosen from among the councilmen.

SAN ANGELO

In San Angelo there was no law suit on the question of single member districts, but the Mayor's Charter Updating Advisory Committee asked the city council to bring the question of changing to S.M.D.'s before the voters. Numerous hearings were held before the Committee, with a large number of people speaking in favor of S.M.D.'s and requesting the issue be put on a

ballot. The city attorney and other San Angelo officials felt that, should a court suit be filed, San Angelo would be forced to go to S.M.D.'s, and that it would prefer to do so voluntarily. The city council, however, denied the request of the Committee. In January, 1976, a non-partisan citizens' committee, headed by the chairmen of the Republican and Democratic committees, was formed to circulate petitions throughout the city in an attempt to obtain the 1500 plus signatures of registered voters necessary to get the proposal on the ballot. This was successfully accomplished, and San Angelo citizens voted in April to adopt a 6-1 system of representation (mayor at-large, six S.M.D.'s).

DALLAS

Until two years ago, Dallas elected ten councilmen at-large, but eight of them had to meet residency requirements. An organization called the Citizens Charter Association (C.C.A.) predominantly white and business-oriented, dominated city elections for many years. A suit was brought, contending that at-large elections diluted the black vote, thus making it impossible for a black to be elected independently of C.C.A. support. The judge hearing the suit agreed and ruled at-large voting unconstitutional and required the city council to submit a new plan. They proposed the 8-3 plan and it was ruled constitutional. The judge also said he felt the three at-large places would help provide stabilization and prevent sectionalism between economically deprived and affluent areas of the city. The plaintiffs were not satisfied and wanted to appeal, desiring nothing less than a 10-1 system. In addition the attorney for the Mexican-Americans wants the council to be increased in size because Mexican-American strength is still too diluted. (Incidentally, you might keep in mind that in dividing the city into ten districts, it still means each representative has 40,000 constituents -- 2/3 the population of Midland.) The election in

April, 1975 under the 8-3 plan had the following result. C.C.A. supported candidates (Nicol, Leedom, Smith, Murr, Allen, and Patterson) won six of the single member district places. Of these, two (Allen and Patterson) were black. Independents were elected in only two of the S.M.D.'s (Renfro and Cathrum), but gained all three at-large places (Mayor Wise, Harrison, and Weber). Ironically the only Mexican-American on the council (elected under the at-large system of course) was defeated, and both blacks elected, received C.C.A. support.



THE FOLLOWING APPEAR TO PRECIPITATE

ELECTION SYSTEM CHANGE:

1. Gerrymandering district lines -- possible in single member districts to divide large voting bloc.
2. Diluting minority voting strength through at-large system.
3. Annexing new developments (apparently a source of trouble in San Antonio).
4. Changing the election system since the Federal Voting Rights Act went into effect without submitting the change to a Federal examiner for approval.
5. Documentation of a district voting heavily for a candidate only to see him lose consistently in an at-large election. (Waco)

THE FOLLOWING ARE WEIGHED IN JUDICIAL DECISION ON DILUTION

OF GROUP'S VOTING STRENGTH:

1. The group's opportunity for participation in the candidate selection process.
2. The responsiveness of elected officials to the particular concerns of the group.
3. The continuing effects of past discrimination of a group's ability to participate in the political process.
4. The policy underlying the preference for multi-member or at-large voting.

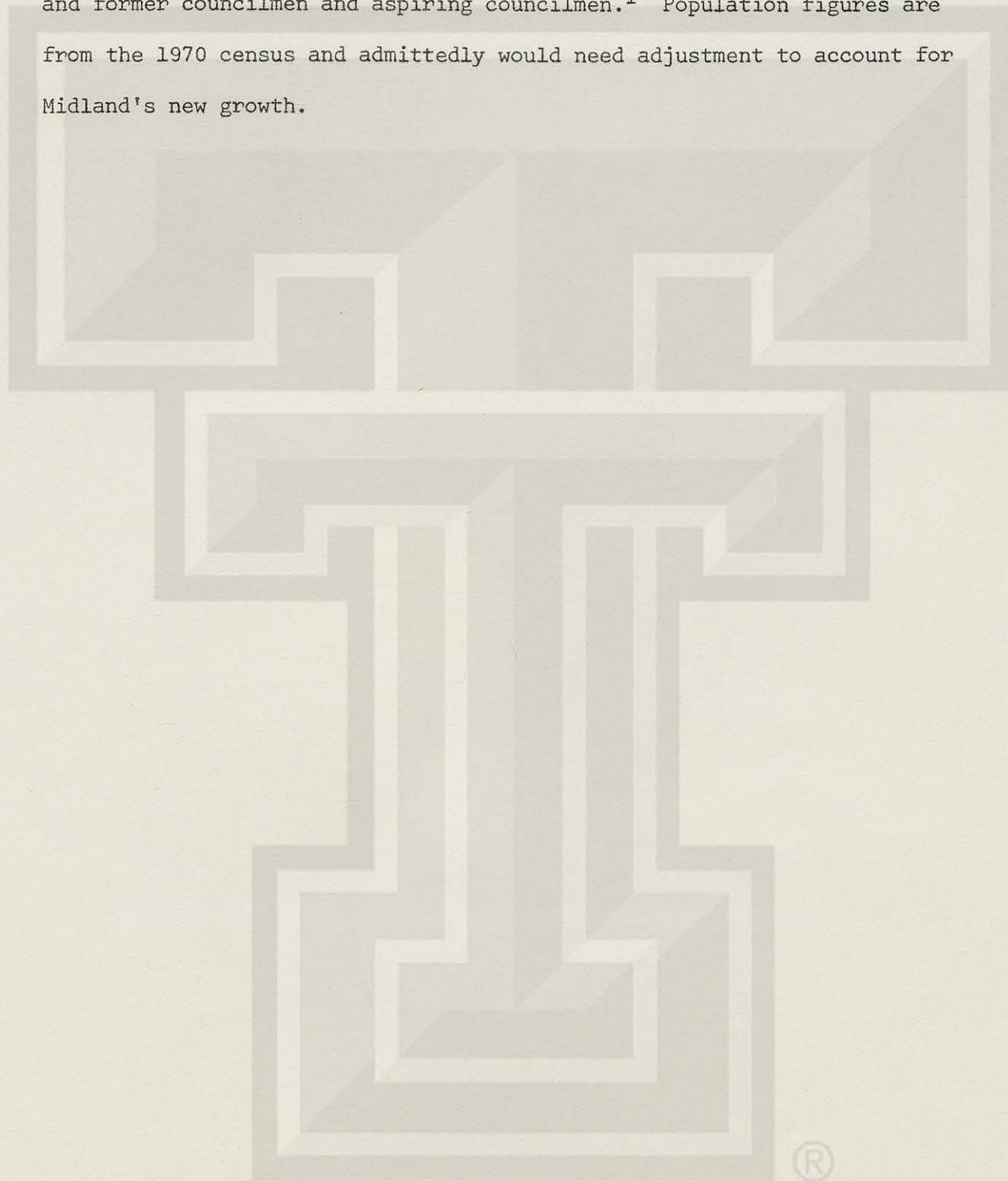
MIDLAND SURVEY

In private interviews and through the circulation of a questionnaire in 1975, the League of Women Voters of Midland sought the opinions of Midlanders of various interest groups concerning the present method of electing councilmen in Midland and alternative methods. Candidates for city council in 1975 were asked in the League of Women Voters 1975 Voters' Guide about the merit of single member district election and their replies were included.

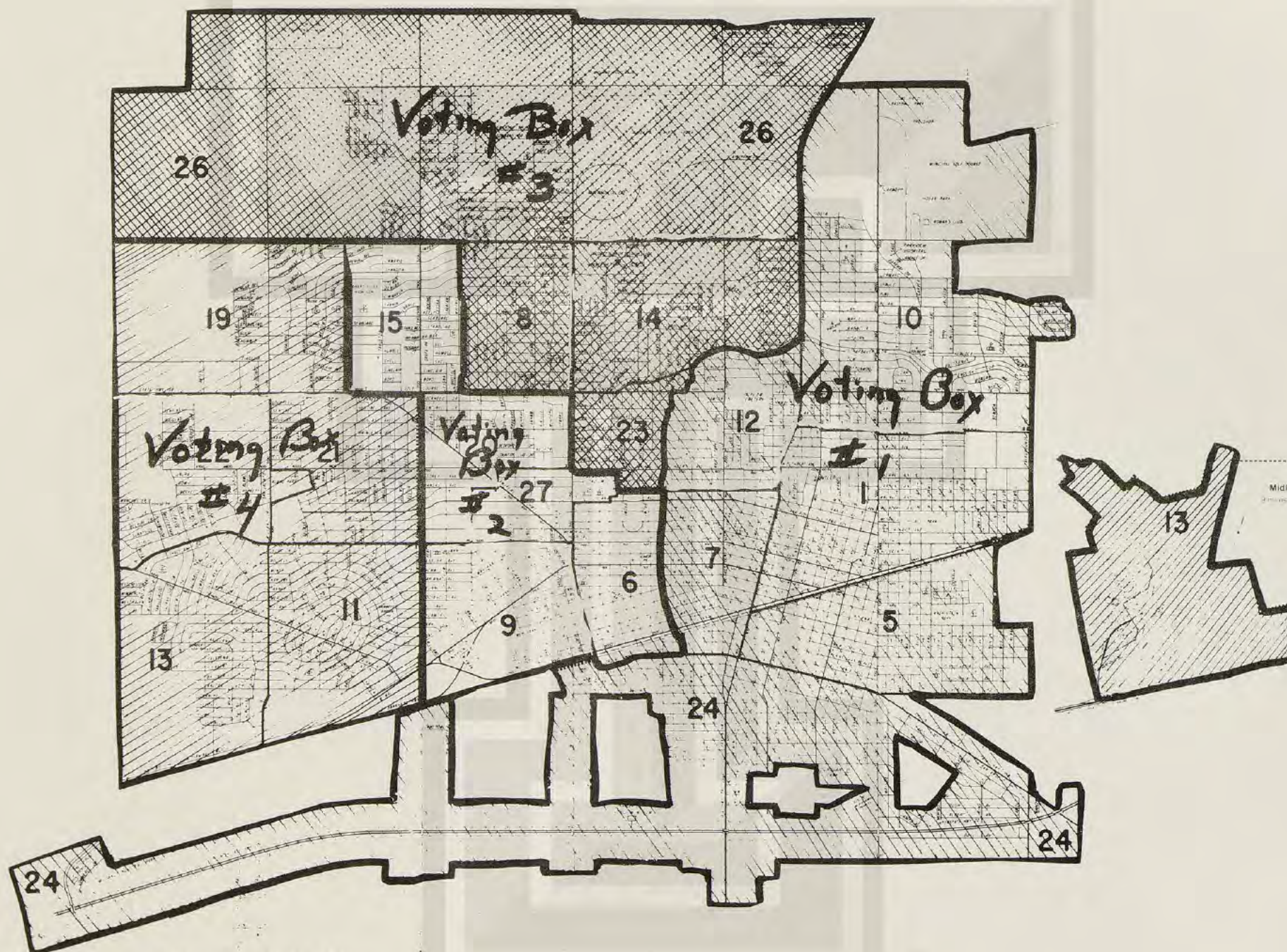
All present and former city officials interviewed felt they represented all the people and said they had received no justified complaints of non-representation. Yet, without exception, minority and less affluent citizens questioned felt strongly that they did not have proper representation. Answers from the "man on the street" indicated that he thought the system could be improved to be more representative. Quotations from the people interviewed who favored both S.M.D.'s and the at-large system of voting are presented below.

Also included below are maps showing the four voting boxes in use in recent years, their populations, number of registered voters, and precincts. Please remember that these voting boxes do not affect election results as would single member districts. Voting boxes do not reflect population but voter turnout; they are allotted to ease the traffic flow at elections. Also included are election results from over twenty years, incomplete because many years the elections were uncontested. On these charts, the winner's name has an asterisk beside it. Where a candidate's vote in a particular voting box showed him to be the winner there but not overall, that figure is circled. There is also a map showing the racial

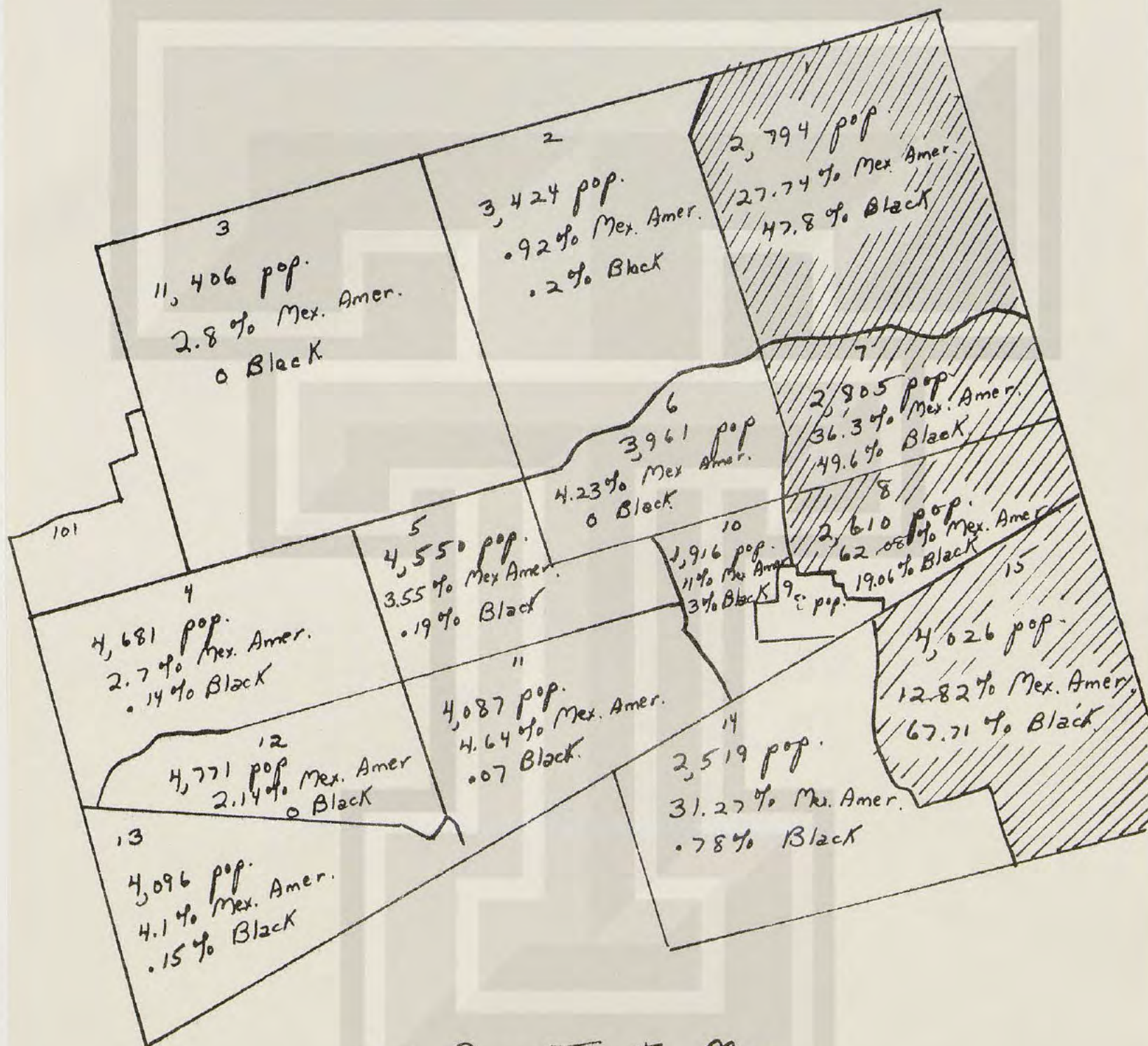
makeup geographically in Midland and one showing the addresses of present and former councilmen and aspiring councilmen.¹ Population figures are from the 1970 census and admittedly would need adjustment to account for Midland's new growth.



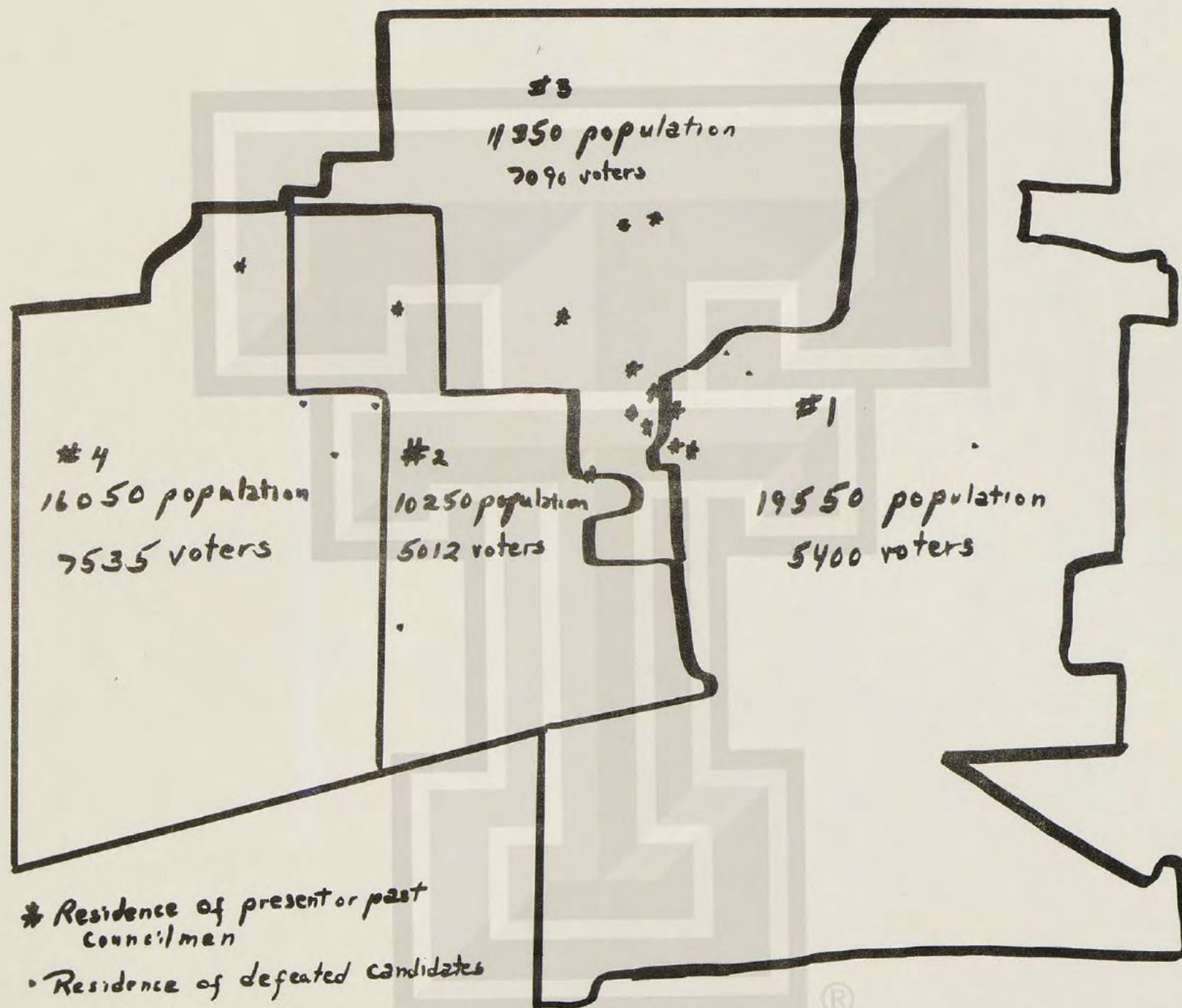
¹ Not totally complete as addresses from several years ago were not always available.



CITY OF MIDLAND
VOTING PRECINCTS MAP



1973 Census Tract Map
 Shaded area shows heaviest minority concentration



Population per voting box is approximated from census figures.

APRIL
1957

| | | Big Spring East, R.R. North & Maiden Ln. South | Terminal | South of the R.R., East of Big Spring | West of Big Spring South of Wall St. | Between Louisiana & Wall & Andrews Hwy. & Big Spring | North of Louisiana between Andrews Hwy. & Big Spring | West of Andrews Hwy. & North of Hwy. 80 | | |
|-------|------------------|--|----------|--|---|---|---|---|-----|--------|
| | CANDIDATES | 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | TOTALS |
| Mayor | Pat Stanford | 85 | 12 | 110 | 154 | 136 | 413 | 407 | 273 | 1590 |
| | Ernest Sidwell * | 90 | 17 | 97 | 341 | 307 | 1077 | 449 | 396 | 2774 |
| Place | John Hughes | 51 | 11 | 69 | 104 | 83 | 309 | 263 | 202 | 1092 |
| #1 | Robert Dewey * | 75 | 9 | 72 | 291 | 264 | 831 | 322 | 289 | 2153 |
| | Arch McCall | 19 | 6 | 18 | 38 | 50 | 215 | 145 | 82 | 573 |
| Place | R. D. Myers | 64 | 9 | 72 | 187 | 163 | 498 | 299 | 236 | 1528 |
| #2 | Joe McSpadden * | 74 | 18 | 87 | 228 | 223 | 828 | 411 | 329 | 2198 |
| Place | W. P. Crosby * | 77 | 21 | 90 | 288 | 295 | 995 | 495 | 363 | 2624 |
| #3 | Clint Creech | 59 | 4 | 68 | 124 | 98 | 256 | 193 | 188 | 990 |

APRIL
1958

| | | South of R.R. | North of R.R. & East of A | North of R.R. & East of Andrews Hwy. | North of R.R. & West of Andrews Hwy. | |
|-------|------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--------|
| | CANDIDATES | South Side Fire Station | North Side Fire Station | San Jacinto | Jane Long | TOTALS |
| Mayor | Thompson * | 421 | 131 | 363 | 68 | 983 |
| | B. Culver | 28 | 158 | 219 | 91 | 496 |
| Place | LaForce | 67 | 253 | 543 | 128 | 991 |
| #4 | Cowden * | 64 | 264 | 564 | 133 | 1025 |

APRIL 12,
1963

| | | Baroid & New Jersey | Golf Course & Edwards | Delano & Circle | Golf Cr. & Garfield | Midland Dr. & Thomason | |
|-------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| | CANDIDATES | F.S. 2 | F.S. 3 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | F.S. 6 | TOTALS |
| Place | Curtis Inman * | 32 | 160 | 454 | 1121 | 350 | 2117 |
| #1 | Ruth Ray | 51 | 98 | 208 | 265 | 271 | 893 |
| Place | Edwin Magruder * | 39 | 163 | 484 | 1164 | 400 | 2250 |
| #2 | Bill Drake | 47 | 95 | 167 | 225 | 220 | 754 |
| Place | Preston Lee * | 45 | 167 | 496 | 1157 | 382 | 2247 |
| #3 | W. E. Butler | 38 | 87 | 158 | 216 | 243 | 742 |

APRIL 6,
1965

| | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | Alamo Park | TOTALS |
|-------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| Place | Edwin Magruder * | 145 | 418 | 1027 | 418 | 2008 |
| #2 | Fred Jones | 398 | 77 | 108 | 102 | 685 |
| Place | Elliott Yell | 141 | 46 | 42 | 50 | 279 |
| #3 | Sterling Talley | 109 | 123 | 245 | 208 | 665 |
| | Preston Lee * | 115 | 338 | 871 | 282 | 1606 |

| APRIL 1964 | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | Alamo Park | TOTALS |
|---------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| Place | Hugh McCullough * | 153 | 388 | 924 | 372 | 1837 |
| #4 | W. L. Drake | 106 | 133 | 168 | 160 | 566 |
| Place | Joe Ward * | 135 | 356 | 875 | 306 | 1677 |
| #5 | Butler | 121 | 144 | 180 | 172 | 617 |

| APRIL 1, 1969 | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | F.S. 6 | TOTALS |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Place | Odell Anders | 52 | 101 | 277 | 172 | 707 |
| #1 | A. A. Thomas, Jr. * | 39 | 191 | 323 | 219 | 859 |
| | Harvey Langston | 10 | 28 | 57 | 39 | 179 |
| Place | Pat Baskin * | 82 | 270 | 550 | 317 | 1422 |
| #2 | | | | | | |
| Place | Marshall Wilburn | 62 | 74 | 149 | 124 | 442 |
| #3 | Robert Holt * | 49 | 252 | 530 | 294 | 1339 |

| APRIL 2, 1968 | | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | Alamo Park | TOTALS |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| Mayor | Louis (Andy) Anderson | 544 | 496 | 482 | 820 | 2399 | |
| | Edwin Magruder * | 393 | 1225 | 2059 | 1549 | 5467 | |
| Place #4 | Martin Neill * | 339 | 1072 | 1749 | 1334 | 4700 | |
| | Janet Massey | 542 | 599 | 720 | 967 | 2910 | |
| Place #5 | Walter Boyd | 533 | 1315 | 1988 | 1713 | 5793 | |

| APRIL 4, 1967 | | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 4 | F.S. 5 | Alamo Park | TOTALS |
|------------------|------------------|------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|
| Place #1 | Gene McDaniel * | 116 | 443 | 833 | 544 | 2008 | |
| | Bud Richardson | 162 | 327 | 593 | 576 | 1702 | |
| Place #2 | Mrs. A. J. Holck | 131 | 66 | 122 | 131 | 467 | |
| | J. W. Miller * | 129 | 574 | 940 | 794 | 2512 | |
| | Donald G. Cook | 32 | 169 | 398 | 240 | 865 | |
| Place #3 | J. W. Hurst * | 119 | 403 | 871 | 463 | 1923 | |
| | Ernest Lambert | 123 | 385 | 574 | 646 | 1779 | |

APRIL 3,
1973

| | | Texas & Ft. Worth | Delano & Circle | Golf Course & Garfield | Midland & Thomason | |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 2 | F.S. 5 | F.S. 6 | TOTALS |
| Place | Brad Patteson | 542 | 476 | 810 | 457 | 2355 |
| #1 | Thornton Hardie * | 482 | 567 | 912 | 416 | 2580 |
| Place | Jim Kent * | 305 | 510 | 895 | 501 | 2286 |
| #2 | Joe Chavez | 532 | 243 | 323 | 176 | 1325 |
| | Don Johnson | 238 | 298 | 488 | 242 | 1364 |
| Place | Abbott | 370 | 448 | 692 | 402 | 1977 |
| #3 | Robert Holt * | 536 | 584 | 1003 | 491 | 2772 |

APRIL 1,
1975

| | CANDIDATES | F.S. 1 | F.S. 2 | F.S. 5 | F.S. 6 | TOTALS |
|-------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Place | Carroll Thomas * | 158 | 218 | 459 | 188 | 1180 |
| #3 | Larry Melzer | 199 | 202 | 371 | 148 | 1089 |

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OPINIONS IN FAVOR OF AT-LARGE ELECTIONS

"Candidates elected at-large tend to stay in office for shorter terms than those elected from districts. This is good."

"Councilmen in Midland are not in it for a political base; this might be different if they were not elected at-large."

"We need places to choose someone to run against; that's the American way."

"S.M.D.'s would destroy good government. We couldn't always get qualified people to run from all the districts. We should elect the best qualified men for the job regardless of where they live."

"At-large voting is more representative because citizens can approach all the councilmen instead of just the one from their district."

"A citizen might approach a councilman from his own area more readily but it would probably increase pressure from special interest groups and take up the council's time on unimportant or insignificant problems on a city-wide scope."

"A close-knit group who do not have opposing views work more smoothly."

"Councilmen need time and money as well as knowledge. In emergency situations they need to be able to leave their jobs and even finance trips etc. out of their own pockets."

"S.M.D.'s would encourage trade-outs."

"Making policy demands business acumen. At-large voting has tended to elect people with this background."

"There is a tendency to lose sight of what is good for the total city and concentrate on just their districts with S.M.D.'s."

"A citizen at odds with the councilman from his district is left without anyone to listen to his problems."

"A district loyalty divides the community spirit into one with various areas of the city pitted against one another."

"Our county government uses the ward system now; I don't think there is any significant difference in the efficiency, fairness, or quality of the governmental body because of the election system."

OPINIONS IN FAVOR OF SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT (WARD) ELECTIONS

"At the present time the city council represents only 25% of the people. The majority are absolutely not adequately represented."

"Citizens would approach a councilman more readily if he were from his own section of Midland."

"There would be more attention given to the needs and wishes of blacks, Mexican-Americans, and the poor if one of their own were elected."

"Poor people don't complain about unequal code enforcement or poor services to people they don't think would listen; they would to a representative they knew."

"The city council listens to one or two people among the blacks and quotes them as black spokesmen, which they are not. The average poor minority person cannot get through to our city government -- they (the councilmen) don't even speak the same language; you have to live "over there" (not just drive around) to know what it's like."

"Being able to elect a councilman would restore some faith in democracy and overcome a lot of the apathy toward voting and political activism in the minority areas."

"The people of Midland have historically elected councilmen with basic conscience and integrity; if there were just someone on the council who really knew and understood the problems of the poor areas and could keep bringing these things up, councilmen of integrity would just have to pay attention and start doing something about them."

"Election campaigns are expensive. A candidate without large financial resources could more easily afford to run in a single district than city-wide."

"At-large voting limits candidates to those known city-wide."

"There would be more accountability if councilmen were elected from single member districts."

"The at-large system does not allow for the spirit of dissent which is an important part of the democratic process."

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS RECORDED IN MIDLAND SURVEY

The questionnaire presented by the Midland League of Women Voters to respondents also covered some other questions. All respondents except one were totally against councilmen being elected at-large but living in particular districts. When questioned about a combined system, people usually responded either "better than totally at-large" or "better than the ward or single member district system." Some people thought a combined system would be best because it would retain the good points of each method while negating those seen as less beneficial.

Whether single members districts would encourage political parties to take a larger role in city elections and whether greater politicization would be good or bad was another question asked. People felt political parties would, or probably would, take a larger role in city elections. Opinions were greatly divided as to whether this would be good or bad. Some of the comments follow:

"It's already there and has led to the demise of the finest city government anywhere."

"It has the potential for being either good or bad depending on who was elected and his integrity."

"It would create more interest, competition, and give us fewer unopposed candidates."

"I'd risk it."

"It's better to leave politics out of city government as much as possible, and this is easier with an at-large system."

"The participation of political parties would not be bad per se. Ward politics could be bad if the experiences of larger cities were repeated."

"Bad only if ward heelers got entrenched."

"More people would get involved leading to a broader view of what people think -- a wider input."

SOME OPINIONS ON THE EFFECTS OF CHANGING THE ELECTION SYSTEM

From "The Report to the Executive Board", the International City Management Association, June, 1974.

"An overall administrative position in local government that is given sufficient responsibility and authority can and should survive and prosper under wide variation in election processes and elected officials' duties. The need for political leadership and citizen involvement expressed in the aspects of form that set up the election process and define the duties of elected officials is quite apart from the aspects of form that determine the effectiveness of the appointed administrator."

From "Alternative Methods of Electing City Councils in Texas Home Rule Cities", Philip W. Barnes.

"It is doubtful that the modification of an electoral system will result in substantial policy changes. One cannot expect a new set of social priorities to emerge overnight by altering the method of electing the city council. On the other hand, as a new system provides candidates who more closely reflect basic socio-economic and neighborhood differences one might expect subtle changes in policy to develop over a period of time. To the extent that this hypothesis is correct, Texas cities could be made more responsive to a wider range of legitimate community demands and more sensitive to varying preferences in public policies by altering their electoral systems. With this enhanced responsiveness, government in Texas cities could be made even more effective in coping with economic and social issues in the 1970's."

From a letter from Robert J. Macdonald, Associate Director of the L.B.J. School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas, to President, League of Women Voters of Midland.

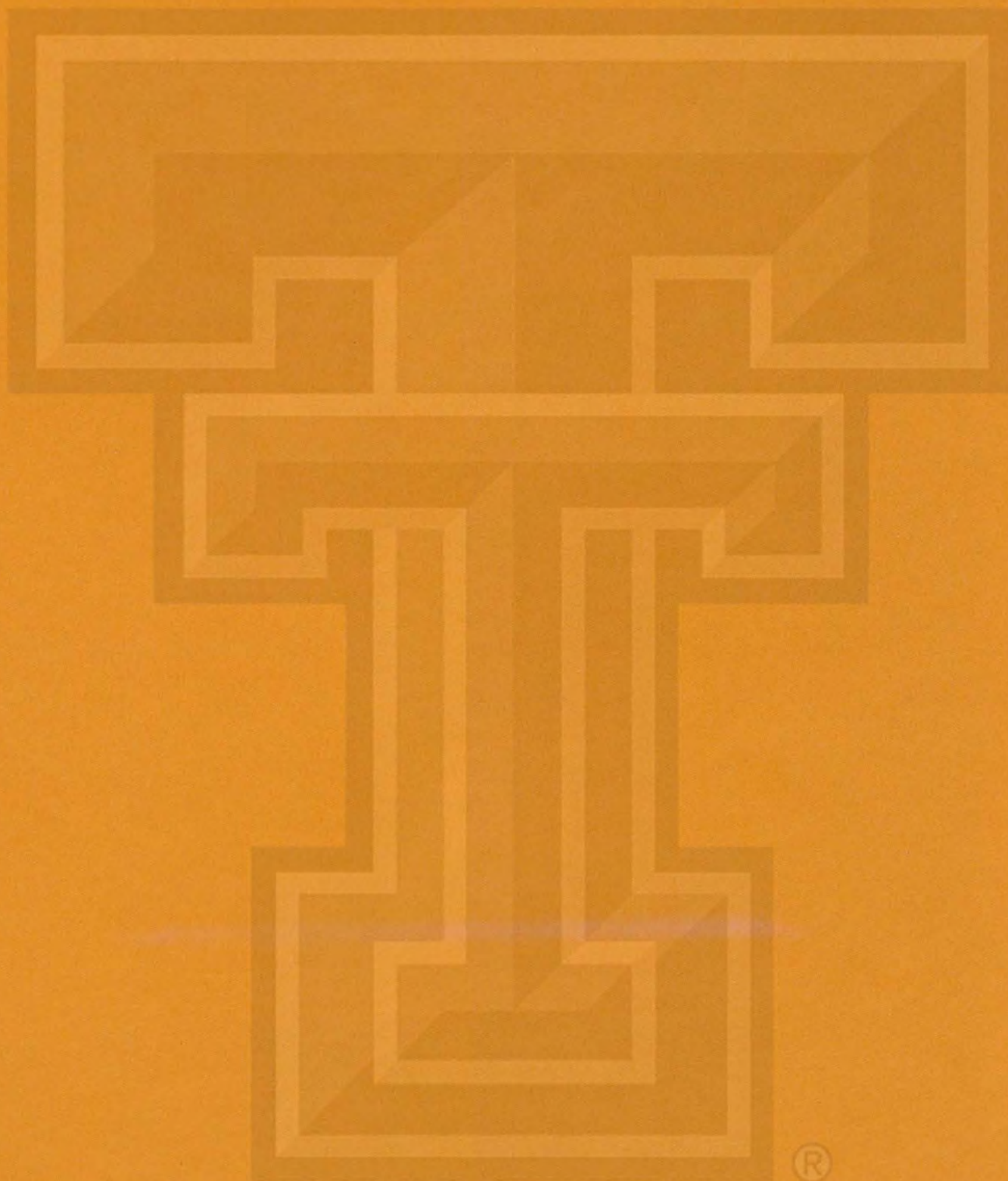
"First of all I would like to demolish a few myths about council-manager government. The council-manager concept is not dependent on either non-partisanship or at-large elections, or the indirect selection of a mayor. These devices are often held out as mandatory features of council-manager government, but a recent study by the International City Management Association (ICMA) found 36% of the council-manager cities responding to its questionnaire held partisan elections. Another 32 percent required ward or district residence of its council members and 51 percent of these cities elect their mayor by popular vote.

Having presented such data I would not want to imply that partisan politics, council districts or direct election of the mayor are necessary reforms. The truth of the matter is that the principle of professional management, i.e., the city manager concept, is not dependent on any particular political structure for successful implementation. The greatest problem in evaluating council-manager government in my opinion has been the insistence, by friend and foe alike, that there is a single unvariable and necessary model based on the three factors I have mentioned. This view of the council-manager plan has been called, quite accurately, its "emotional and intellectual baggage." Unfortunately, a great deal of the public debate is always based on fundamental misunderstandings about the ideal form.

My basic discomfort with at-large elections and indirectly chosen mayors is that they blunt the true purpose of the city council; the task of resolving the competing interests within the community. Thirty to forty years ago, when most council-manager charters in Texas were adopted, there was a single

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND

WORKBOOK

FOR

ANNUAL MEETING

BRING THIS WORKBOOK TO ANNUAL MEETING

6:30 p.m.

May 4, 1978

POTLUCK SUPPER

At the Home of

Sally English

Mockingbird



water works

Mid. Dr.

Wickiff

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND



Annual Meeting Workbook
May 4, 1978

April Units - URBAN CRISIS

April 13 - Candidates Forum - Congressional Candidates
April 17 - Board Meeting
April 18 - Candidates Forum - County candidates in primary election

May 4 - ANNUAL MEETING
May 6 - Primary
May 15 - Board Meeting - Combined - Old and New Board

... President's Message ...

Annual Meeting - A Time for Assessment

Annual meeting prompts us to look back at the League year and "crow" a bit over the accomplishments and "groan" a bit over the failures. But more importantly, we need to examine the future and make decisions about what the members see as important work to be done. State program for next year includes a study of juvenile corrections and groundwater management. Our local program will be decided at annual meeting-- be a part of setting focus and direction of the study to be adopted.

There is much to be proud of in 77-78: *We had Observers for revenue sharing hearings, city council meetings, community development hearings, county commissioners meetings, Midland Housing Authority and school board. *Speaking out for the League were Diana Olien, Ruth Bell, Diane Rhoden, Lois Carpenter, Gerri Box and Nancy Cassin to such groups as Kiwanis, Optimists, Newcomers, Modern Study Club, and an adult education group at Christ Presbyterian Church. *We have enjoyed fantastic press coverage from both Reporter-Telegram and Std.-Times as well as four radio stations. Our local candidates' forum was taped by KNFM and edited for use on election day. *We sponsored the forum on the hospital election last fall as well as three candidates forums this spring. The local one alone featured 18 seekers of local offices. *We have offered testimony on housing, voting precincts, revenue sharing and combined elections. *Voters were registered in the high schools and at a home demonstration fair. *State and local Voters Guides were produced and distributed. *We sent representatives to state conferences on juvenile justice and coastal zone management and groundwater. Diane Rhoden will represent us at national convention; while Pat Ingram, Mickie Waters, Betty Sheeler, Evelyn Gould and I will be attending state council. * A special thank you to those board members who are retiring: Judy Schmidt, Midge Erskine, Evelyn Gould and Jan Reider. Jan will be moving back to Colorado with our sincere regrets. The others we hope to see again on the board at a later time.

Two off-board workers who were invaluable to us this year were Junia Stoddard and Sheila Billingsley, who put together a finance drive that gives us real latitude to do some exciting things next year. Come help decide what those things will be.

Hope to see you at annual meeting. Remember to keep this booklet and bring it with you.

...MMP

AGENDA FOR ANNUAL MEETING
May 4, 1978

- 6:30 p.m. Sign in and dinner
- 7:30 Organization of Annual Meeting Mary Porter
 Appointment of Parliamentarian
 Adoption of Order of Business
 Appointment of Timekeeper
 Adoption of proposed Rules of the Meeting
 Appointment of New Board to approve minutes of
 May 4, 1978 Annual Meeting.
 Report of Credentials Committee
- 7:45 Treasurer's Report Pat Ingram
- 7:55 Presentation of proposed Bylaws change Marion Fisher
 Discussion on Bylaws change (10 minute limit)
- 8:05 Vote on proposed Bylaws change
- 8:10 Presentation of Recommended Local Program Diane Rhoden
 for 1978-79
 Motions to consider non-recommended items
 Debate on local program
- 8:45 Vote on local program
 Direction on local program (10 minute limit)
- 8:55 Presentation of proposed budget for 1978-79 Linda Hill
 Discussion (10 minute limit)
- 9:05 Vote on budget
- 9:10 Report of Nominating Committee Pat Stanley
 Nominations from the floor (with consent
 of nominee)
- 9:20 Election of Officers and Directors
- 9:30 Recognition of retiring board members and adjournment

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PROPOSED RULES FOR ANNUAL MEETING

ADMISSION: Admission to the annual meeting is open to members and non-members. Only members have voting privileges.

QUORUM: Ten percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the League of Women Voters of Midland.

DEBATE: Only members have the privilege of the floor. No person may speak twice until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity to do so. Debate shall be limited to two minutes for each speaker. Debate on proposed Budget and Bylaws changes shall be limited to 10 minutes, after which the vote shall be taken. Debate on proposed Local Program shall be limited to 15 minutes after which the vote shall be taken. Debate on Direction of Local Program shall be limited to 10 minutes.

MOTIONS: All motions, other than procedural, shall be submitted in writing to the secretary. The original wording of an item of Program may be amended when the item is debated if the changes do not enlarge the scope or change the general intent.

CONSIDERATION OF BYLAW CHANGES: Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at the annual meeting, provided that the amendments were submitted to the membership in writing at least one month in advance of the annual meeting.

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND NON-RECOMMENDED ITEMS: Any issue discussed at program units may be considered at annual meeting for adoption. However, bylaws require a 2/3 majority vote for actual adoption of a non-recommended item.

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR: Nominations may be made from the floor by any voting member provided the consent of the nominee has been secured.

VOTING PROCEDURE: A majority vote of those qualified to vote and voting shall constitute an election of officers. Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted. Adoption of budget and recommended program items requires a majority vote of voting members present and voting.

PROPOSED RULES FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Proposed Bylaws Changes
3-13-78

Article VI
Financial Administration

Section 2: Dues: Annual dues of \$15.00 shall be payable September 1st. Any member who fails to pay dues within 60 days after they become payable shall be dropped from the membership rolls.

Delete all the above.

The following to be inserted as Section 2:

Dues shall be computed annually as recommended by the budget committee and voted upon by the membership at each annual meeting. Annual dues shall be payable September 1st. Any member who fails to pay dues within 60 days after they become payable shall be dropped from the membership rolls. Any member who fails to pay dues within 30 days will not be listed in the current roster.

Explanation: The effect of this change would be to remove dollar amounts from the bylaws as well as placing responsibility for dues changes with the budget committee rather than the bylaws committee.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND
PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM
1978-1979

1. HOUSING.

Study:

- a. code enforcement

Support:

- b. increased supply of housing in the low to moderate income brackets,
- c. a housing assistance plan,
- d. alternative types of housing construction,
- e. flexibility of zoning,
- f. periodic review of proposed developments by city council.

2. SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS.

Support:

- a. single member district election of city council majority,
- b. at-large election of mayor,
- c. at-large election of city council minority,
- d. addition of one and not more than two members to city council,
- e. creation of five single member districts to coincide with boundaries defined by LWV map or some reasonable variations.

3. REVENUE SHARING.

Support:

- a. greater citizen participation which must be promoted by local government,
- b. more effective use of revenue sharing funds by assigning a higher priority to much needed community social services.

4. SCHOOLS.

Support:

- a. increased counseling,
- b. remedial and summer school programs at minimum or no cost to students,
- c. continuation of night courses for credit to allow graduation to drop-outs,
- d. the use of the local property tax as a source for local enrichment,
- e. the school board policy of setting the tax rate and notice of anticipated rate changes,
- f. positive action by the school board to increase public awareness.

5. LEGAL AID.

Study:

- a. update of legal aid services available to citizens of Midland,

Support:

- b. the concept of a legal aid clinic in Midland.

6. SCHOOL INTEGRATION

The Midland League of Women Voters believes:

- a. that a quality integrated public school system in Midland is best achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district,
- b. that due to present housing patterns in Midland, the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible,
- c. that integration of all schools could stabilize neighborhoods and prevent the white flight problem from growing,
- d. that school integration can be made to succeed with continued positive leadership provided by school trustees and administration, government officials and organizations favoring quality integration,
- e. that programs must be continued to train teachers for integration,
- f. and that careful attention must be given to the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

NON RECOMMENDED PROGRAM ITEMS

- a. study of the hospital district administration.
- b. study of parks and recreation.
- c. study of street paving.
- d. study of dog leash laws.
- e. SCHOOLS-study
 1. problem of transportation to summer school.
 2. programs for exceptional students.

1978-79 Budget

INCOME

| | | |
|------------------|-----------|--------|
| A. DUES | 56 @ \$15 | \$ 840 |
| B. CONTRIBUTIONS | | |
| 1. Member | \$ 285 | |
| 2. Non-member | 2,080 | |
| 3. TEF | 450 | 2,815 |

C. PUBLICATIONS

| | | |
|-----------------------|--|-----|
| 1. Subscription Serv. | | 150 |
| 30 @ \$5 | | |

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|-----------------------------|-------|
| D. IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS | 1,000 |
| E. UNALLOCATED CASH RESERVE | 222 |

TOTAL: \$5,027

EXPENSES

A. OPERATING COSTS

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. Maintenance equipment | 10 | |
| 2. General supplies | 50 | |
| 3. Postage | 100 | |
| 4. Telephone | 200 | |
| 5. Post office box rental | 15 | 375 |

B. BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. President | 25 | |
| 2. Board tools and expenses | 200 | |
| 3. Administration committees | | |
| a. Finance | 100 | |
| b. Membership | 100 | |
| c. Public relations | 75 | 500 |

C. DELEGATES TRAVEL

| | | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. State convention | 350 | |
| 2. National convention | 200 | |
| 3. Workshop | 100 | 650 |

D. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. National (56 members) | 560 | |
| 2. State | 392 | 952 |

E. VOTER

| | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|
| 1. Supplies | 250 | |
| 2. Postage | 150 | 400 |

F. EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. Publications | | |
| a. Subscription service | 150 | |
| b. Production | 200 | 350 |
| 2. Program committees | | |
| a. National | 25 | |
| b. State | 25 | |
| c. Local | 75 | 125 |
| 3. Voter Service | | |
| a. Voter guides | 50 | |
| b. Other services | 75 | 125 |

G. POSITION SUPPORT

| | | |
|------------------------------|----|-----|
| 1. Publications on positions | 50 | |
| 2. Action activities | 50 | 100 |

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|------------|-------|-------|
| H. IN KIND | 1,000 | 1,000 |
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| I. TEF | 450 | 450 |
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TOTAL: \$5,027

KEY TO THE PROPOSED 1978-79 BUDGET

Income:

- D. Voters Guide print cost paid by First National Bank and other misc. In kind.

Expenditures:

- A. 1. For repairs to personal typewriters, etc used mainly for League business.
 - 2. General office supplies for all League business, except the VOTER.
 - 3. Postage for all League business, except the VOTER.
 - 4. Reimbursement for long distance calls on League business on home phones and LWV phone in home of president.
- B. 1. To cover expenses while on League business and non-League affairs when representing the League.
 - 2. General expenses: costs of duplicate presidents mailing, standing orders, and other organizational tools.
 - 3. a. Finance drive costs (letters, free publications to contributors, solicitors kits, etc., postage.
 - b. Costs for membership teas, publications for prospective members, new member kits, etc.
 - c. Free publications to media, schools, library & govt. agencies, some media lunches while covering our speaker luncheons.
- C. 1. Expenses for delegates to 1978 council in Lubbock.
 - 2. Expenses for delegate to 1978 national convention in Cinn. to be added to savings account.
- D. 1. National PMP, based on 1-1-77 membership.
 - 2. a. State PMP
- E. All costs of publishing & distributing the MIDLAND VOTER.
- F. 1. a. For purchase of publications (up to consensus), mainly for subscription service.
 - 2. Cost of program committees' research and resource material, community meetings, go-see tours, etc. (must be impartial study & impartial community activities.)
 - 3. Cost of Voters Service activities including Voters Guides, candidates meetings, etc.
- G. 1. Balance of purchases for subscription service (consensus through action options.)
 - 2. Action activities.
- H. In Kind (Voters Guide printing, etc.)
- I. T.E.F. (funds on deposit for Midland's account w/TEF, raised locally but not part of our cash flow.)

TOTAL: \$2,054

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

| Office | Nominee | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|
| 2nd Vice President | Shirley Watts | 1980 |
| Secretary | Nancy Cassin | 1980 |
| Treasurer | Pat Ingram | 1980 |

Directors:

| | | |
|---------|-------------------|------|
| Place 1 | Mickie Waters | 1980 |
| Place 2 | Marsha Samponaro | 1980 |
| Place 3 | Charleen Rosebery | 1980 |

Nominating Committee: Chairman

Marion Fisher
Marion Holmes
Charlene Kullman

Submitted by:

Nominating Committee for
Midland League of Women Voters

Pat Stanley, Chairman
Anne Swendig
Pat Flinn
Judy Schmidt
Shirley Watts

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|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1980 | Shirley Watts | 2nd Vice President |
| 1980 | Nancy Cassin | Secretary |
| 1980 | Pat Ingram | Treasurer |
| Directors: | | |
| 1980 | Michelle Waters | Place 1 |
| 1980 | Barbara Thompson | Place 2 |
| 1980 | Charlene Roseberry | Place 3 |

| Chairman | Nominee |
|----------|-----------------|
| Chairman | Barbara Kollman |
| Chairman | Barbara Kollman |
| Chairman | Barbara Kollman |

Submitted by:
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

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Austin, Texas 78701



ANNUAL REPORTS

PROGRAM

Environmental Quality: Land Use dominated the year for the E.Q. Committee. During the summer plans were made for "Land Use in Texas." Consensus was completed in September. LWV Texas is in the process of compiling a slide presentation of actual land use in Texas and we hope to have it available for local viewing soon.

Texas Constitutional Revision: The TCR committee opened the League year with a luncheon-workshop to bring everyone up to date on League positions on Constitutional Revision. When the Constitutional Revision Commission hearings were held in Houston, League members testified in support of LWV positions. We also followed and participated in the meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee on the Texas Constitution. At present we are following the activities of our delegates to the Convention, hoping to lobby for constructive change. We are participating in a project and grant from the Texas Committee for the Humanities and Public Policy and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Expect lots of action soon!

Financing State Government: This committee began work in the early fall following the adoption of the item at State Convention. Unit meetings and consensus on items related to the Constitution took place in February.

Representative Government: Campaign Financing: Material was studied by the Campaign Financing Committee which consisted of previous laws governing campaign financing and present legislation before Congress. Books of theory and proposals for alternate methods of financing were also studied. This material was presented at unit meetings

PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS:

APR 5 1974

- I. Support of measures to remove administrative obstacles to voting in Montgomery County, continuing survey of local election procedures,

Outlook for work: Continue lobbying for voting machines. Volunteer to train election workers. Continue training and placement of poll watchers and analysis of local elections. Follow-through on consensus. No unit meetings envisioned.

- II. Evaluate Land Use in Montgomery County with emphasis on public parks, recreational facilities and flooding.

Outlook for work: Research, study and consensus, possibility of action to support zoning and/or ordinances requiring developers to implement land use planning. Under Environmental Quality and Land Use.

- III. Continued study of health care services available in Montgomery County and support of effective planning to meet the needs of a growing community.

Outlook for work: Observe Hospital Board meetings. Review and compare facilities and services with 1973-1974 study. Evaluation of county agencies in fields of mental health and counseling.

New Chairman Announced By Voters' League

The League of Women Voters of Midland has announced the appointment of Mrs. M. Douglas-Howard as its public relations chairman for 1972.

Mrs. Douglas-Howard was a publicity chairman for Sister Elizabeth Kenny in New York City several years and helped establish the Infantile Paralysis Foundation. She also was active in creating and publicizing Radio Free Europe, and in 1956 was named Community Projects Director for the Storer Broadcasting Co.'s radio and television properties in Birmingham, Ala.

She has received many honors, including an honorary doctorate for her work in the humanities and with crippled and retarded persons. Her schools are Oxford University in England, Columbia University in New York and the University of Chicago.

In Midland, Mrs. Douglas-Howard urges women interested in the League of Women Voters to contact Mrs. G. H. Stoddard, 682-2889, for membership information.

LOCAL PROGRAM - 1974-75

1. Evaluation of the use of revenue sharing monies in the city and county of Midland.
2. Local public school financing in Midland. Support:
 - a. the continued separation of the MISD, city and college tax office from the county tax office so that there be minimal political influence in the taxing administration.
 - b. the use of the local property tax as a source for local enrichment programs with additional priority given to counselling and vocational education needs.
 - c. the school board policy of setting the tax rate and giving the public sufficient notice of any anticipated rate change. Accountability to the taxpayer throughout the school board is available. We support positive action by the school board to increase public awareness.
3. Support of the concept of a legal aid clinic in Midland.
4. Revision of the City Charter. Attention to be given to making a provision in the charter for the City Manager-Council form of municipal government. (It is presently only by Council decision that Midland has this desirable form.)
5. Midland Independent Schools - Support for expansion of special services including:
 - a. Increased counselling aids
 - b. Remedial and summer school programs at minimum or no cost to students.
 - c. Continuation of night courses for credit to allow graduation to dropouts.
6. Support of the Midland County Bar Association's recommendation to the state to redesignate the Midland Court of Domestic Relations to a full-numbered District Court and/or legislation to establish an additional District Court in Midland.

Underlining indicates changes.



OCT 8 1971

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND

STATEMENT OF POSITION

SCHOOL INTEGRATION IN MIDLAND

The Midland League of Women Voters believes:

That a quality integrated public school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district,

That due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible,

That the entire school district should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation,

That integration of all schools could stabilize neighborhoods and prevent the white flight problem from growing,

That school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership is provided by school trustees and administrators, government officials and organizations favoring quality integration,

That programs must be developed to train teachers for further integration,

And that careful attention must be given to the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

Therefore the League of Women Voters of Midland opposes the plans submitted to the court by the Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District. While neither the Intervenor plan nor the plan of the Committee for School Action meets all requirements of the League, this League supports either plan as a better resolution of the immediate problem.

The Midland League of Women Voters feels that the Board of Trustees of the MISD, being sincerely convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective.

*Copies of all this sent to Fritz and ~~Barstis~~ Curtis
(newspaper clippings only to state office)*

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OCT 8 1971

Midland County  Midland, Texas

OCTOBER 5, 1971

THE MIDLAND LWV AND SCHOOL INTEGRATION

It was decided at the August Board meeting of the Midland LWV to study the question of local school integration as an extension of the national Human Resources item.

We plagiarized some phrases from the Austin and Dallas LWV statements and sent a letter to the President of the Board of Trustees of MISD. After the School Board announced their proposed attendance plan, 2 of us attended a special meeting called in a junior high school so the people that would be affected by the school board's plan could air their grievances. The main sentiments expressed were: (1) Why only 3 schools out of 19? and (2) If you want to bus my child out of his neighborhood for the sake of integration, then you bus your child in. If you are not willing to bus your child in, then leave mine alone. A few days later I attended the School Board meeting at which all these grievances were again heard. But the School Board presented their plan intact to the Federal Court in El Paso shortly before school started.

A coalition of black, white and brown citizens from the South and East parts of town was hastily formed, a lawyer hired and a small amount of money raised. This coalition, calling itself the Committee for School Action presented formal objections to the Board's plan in court. The Judge then gave the Committee 2 weeks to come up with an alternate plan using as little busing as possible and ordered school to start using the same boundaries as last year. At the end of the 2 weeks the Intervenor and School Action Committee plans were presented to Judge Guinn, and he is still deliberating.

Our LWV ordered additional copies of "Just Schools," "Implementing School Desegregation," and the supplement to it (from Dallas LWV) and solicited statements and facts and figures from the local school officials. Two meetings were held, both well attended. Material was presented and discussed. At one meeting the School Board President, Mr. Tompson, was present to explain the Board's plan, Barbara Harris (Negro) and Alston Boyd (White) from the Committee were there to explain the Intervenor and Committee plans. A Negro doctor who is a member of League and another Negro man also attended and contributed to the discussion. All had to leave their jobs to attend of course. Discussion was lively and very informative. Consensus was taken and the Board met the next morning to formulate the statement of our position. A telegram was sent immediately to Judge Guinn. A news release was sent to the media after copies of our position were either delivered or mailed to the School Board members.

The story broke on Sunday, Oct. 3, 1971, and I have had 4 phone calls and 1 letter from strangers deploring the League action. There have been 3 calls from inactive League members applauding the action (one a member of the Human Relations Council) and one also applauding the action from a board member who was ill and could not attend the meetings. Had a letter today from a total stranger who was delighted by our action. Bad news. My husband informs

me that besides Sunday's front page, we have now "made" the editorial page. They are taking us to task for "surprising" the school officials with our action. I tried to reach the Board President before the story was released and could not, also could not reach the Vice-President, so called the Board secretary and talked to her for half an hour and stressed that we wanted the Board to be informed on our stand before it was released to the media. Then I personally took a copy of the news release to the home of the Board President and placed it in his mail box and mailed copies of the release to all other Board members. School officials certainly knew we were studying the issue and they certainly were aware of League's stand for equal opportunity. Betty Sheeler, who handled the 2 meetings and talked to school officials, told me that when she asked Mr. Tompson if he had read the publication "Just Schools," he didn't seem to have ever heard of it, so I wonder if he read his mail!

Well, perhaps some apologies will have to be made, but I am a little irritated right now! Anyway I wanted the State office to be brought up to date on the Midland situation. It looks like we shall have to be more careful ~~fx~~ of bureaucratic protocol. Any suggestions will be appreciated!

Thank you,

Lois Carpenter

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August 23, 1971

Mrs. Gilbert Tompson, President
Board of Trustees
Midland Independent School District
702 North N
Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Mr. Tompson:

We thought you might like to have a copy of the League's newest publication in the field of Human Resources, "Just Schools." Copies are enclosed for each Board member and for Dr. Mailey.

You are probably already aware that the League of Women Voters strongly supports equality of opportunity in education. We feel that if our children come together when they are still young and forming their attitudes, they will then be more likely to grow up desiring to shape a society in which differences are appreciated, shared and enjoyed.

While we realize that the Justice Department, HEW and local school boards do not always see eye to eye on the ticklish problem of school attendance zoning for desegregation, we remain convinced that in the case of Midland these three branches of government are at least aiming at the same goal of equal opportunity for all.

We think our school district is fortunate in having capable leadership, and it is our sincere hope that a mutually agreeable solution can be worked out soon.

In any case, we know that as adults of the community we have the obligation to our children to follow the law as it is applied to Midland and to follow it with order and dignity.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter)
President

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October 4, 1971

The Honorable Ernest Guinn
Justice, Federal District Court
Federal Court Building
El Paso, Texas

Dear Judge Guinn:

On October 1, 1971, I sent you a telegram stating that the League of Women Voters of Midland opposes the plans submitted to your court by the Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District, but that the League supports the Intervenor or Committee for School Action plans.

I am writing you now so that you may have the full text of the League's position. It is as follows.

The Midland League of Women Voters believes:

That a quality integrated public school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district,

That due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible,

That the entire school district should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation,

That integration of all schools could stabilize neighborhoods and prevent the white flight problem from growing,

That school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership is provided by school trustees and administrators, government officials and organizations favoring quality integration,

That programs must be developed to train teachers for further integration,

And that careful attention must be given to the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

Therefore the League of Women Voters of Midland opposes the plans submitted to the court by the Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District. While neither the Intervenor plan nor the plan of the Committee for School Action meets all requirements of the League, this League supports either plan as a better resolution of the immediate problem.

The Midland League of Women Voters feels that the Board of Trustees of the MISD, being sincerely convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective.

Our League members believe firmly in the necessity for integrated schools and in the need for calm and constructive consideration of plans to achieve them. We are offering our cooperation and resources in the development of plans for quality integration of all Midland public shhools.

We understand some of the difficulty of making a decision on the Midland schools and we appreciate the careful consideration which you are giving this case.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter)
President



Midland
Reporter-
Telegram
Editorial

October 5, 1971

Shock To School Board

OCT 8 1971

The action of the Midland League of Women Voters in its announced support of the Committee for School Action plans as opposed to the integration plan of the Board of Education of the Midland Independent School District, came as a shock to school trustees and administration personnel.

A trustee, stating that his first knowledge of the action came when he read the announcement in Sunday's issue of The Reporter-Telegram, said he was both surprised and shocked.

A school administrator said he had visited briefly on the telephone with a League representative recently but he was not aware of the purpose for which information was being sought. He said he understood the school board president had met with League representatives last week, but he had not been advised as to the outcome of the session.

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The League of Women Voters, stating that "due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible," announced Saturday that it had gone on record as supporting alternative school integration plans now pending before the U.S. District Court in El Paso.

It also was announced that Judge Ernest Guinn had been informed of the League's support of plans submitted by the Committee for School Action.

This action perhaps was what surprised school officials the most.

A statement released by the League said it opposes the plan submitted to the court by the board of trustees of the school district.

It also noted that the League feels that the board, "being convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective."

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The League, according to a spokesman, plans to present a statement of its position to the board of trustees and "stands ready to offer its cooperation and resources in the development of a plan for quality integration of all Midland public schools."

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, League president, said "the League believes firmly in the necessity for integrated schools and in the need for calm and constructive consideration of plans to achieve desegregation." She said the statement represented a "consensus of the organization's membership" of between 50 and 75 women.

The school board also believes in integrated schools, but at the same time it supports the neighborhood school concept which, it is felt, still is favored by a majority of Midlanders.

The League has every right to express itself in this regard, but the action it took still came as a shock to school officials who have worked tirelessly in preparing a plan which they consider to be in the best interest of the system and its students. They feel, and rightly so, that they should have been consulted in the matter, particularly concerning the court contact.

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*Midland Reporter-Telegram
Sept. 22, 1971*

League Of Women Voters Will Ponder Integration

9-22-71

The League of Women Voters of Midland will begin a study Thursday to consider what procedures would lead to quality integration of Midland schools.

A unit meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the home of Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter,

For years the U.S. League has maintained a support position under its Human Resources item which reads: "Support of equal opportunity in education, employment and housing," but does not detail any specific procedures for implementing desegregation.

The Midland League, therefore, will study the question of how best to handle school integration locally.

Thursday, members will discuss measures taken — both with and without success — in other communities, and consider such questions as what are the elements of successful school integration, who should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation, should students

and parents be actively involved in planning and implementing integration and others.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. Membership is open to any woman of voting age, and anyone interested in joining the League is invited to attend the Thursday meeting, officials said.

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(front page)

October 3, 1971

League Of Women Voters Supports Alternative Integration Proposals

The Midland League of Women Voters, stating that "due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible," has gone on record as supporting alternative school integration plans now pending before U.S. District Court in El Paso.

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, president of the League, said Saturday that a telegram has been sent to Judge Ernest Guinn of the federal court in El Paso, informing him of the League's support of Committee for School Action plans.

In a statement released Saturday,

the League says it "opposes the plans submitted to the court by the board of trustees of the Midland Independent School District." However, it adds that the League feels the board, "being convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective."

Mrs. Carpenter said that while neither plan proposed to Judge Guinn by the Committee for School Action meets all requirements of the League, "this League supports either plan as a better resolution of the immediate problem."

Judge Guinn has under con-

sideration plans from both the school district trustees and from the Committee for School Action designed to erase the "racially identifiable" tags placed on certain Midland elementary schools by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The school district plans call for the closing of Washington Elementary School, re-opening Bunche Elementary and redrawing attendance boundary lines for South and Travis elementary schools.

The two Committee for School Action plans essentially propose keeping both Washington and Bunche elementary schools open and using rural students who are already being bused to fill out attendance at the two schools.

"The League believes firmly in the necessity for integrated schools and in the need for calm and constructive consideration of plans to achieve desegregation," Mrs. Carpenter said.

The League's statement, which Mrs. Carpenter said represented a "consensus of the organization's membership" of between 50 and 75 women, says the League believes:

"That a quality integrated public school system in Midland can best be achieved by the ra-

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Mrs. Carpenter said the League plans to present a statement of its position to the board of trustees of MISD and "stands ready to offer its cooperation and resources in the development of a plan for quality integration of all Midland public schools."

Manresea, October 5, 1971

OCT 8 1971

To: Veta Winick cc: Lancaster, Wackerbarth
From: Genie Fritz
Re: Upper level college support by Corpus Christi League

A couple of years ago I received a call from the Human Resources chairman of Corpus Christi asking if they could support a Junior College for Corpus under the national Human Resources position. I answered that I thought they could since the junior college was for Corpus Christi only, and would increase the vocational and educational opportunities for the low-income families of Corpus, the majority of whom are Mexican-American. I gave her the guidelines of being sure that the membership of the Corpus League was in accord and aware of the action, and also to be sure that the action did not affect any other local League in the region adversely. There seemed to be no question of that, and I never heard any more.

This move to make the junior college an upper level college is something new. I do not understand why the Victoria League is protesting. I do not agree with the Victoria president that it should be opposed on the grounds that state funds are being used. My feeling is that having an upper level college in Corpus Christi should not hurt Victoria. If they can present some cogent arguments as to why it should be opposed that is another thing, but at the moment the one argument presented is not sufficient.

Why is this being presented to the state board now? Will there be legislative action on this during the special session?

I realize that we have put as one of our guidelines for action by local Leagues at the State level, the requirement that surrounding Leagues be consulted and in agreement with the action. In this case, where the negative response by the Victoria president has not yet been supported by valid arguments, I really don't know what to do. Can we let a difficult individual outside a local League stymie action by that League merely by protesting? I leave that decision to you who are better at the organization part of the League.

As to the program part, let me summarize. I believe that the Corpus Christi League can support expanding educational opportunities in their area under the National Human Resources item. I do not agree that the stated basis for opposition by the Victoria president is a valid one. As to whether or not we override the Victoria opposition, and bend one of our guidelines, I leave to the rest of you.

I'm still enjoying the seminar. The women are great. It is a little difficult to operate entirely in ~~xxxxx~~ Spanish when we are nit-picking about the meaning of words in Spanish. I understand almost everything, but have some trouble expressing myself.

Please forward the
copies to Rose & Archie

Schools, Committee Prepare For Friday Day In Court

By JOHN ARMISTEAD

Federal Judge Ernest Guinn has scheduled a hearing at 10 a.m. Friday in El Paso to hear arguments on school attendance plans proposed by the Midland Independent School District (MISD) board of trustees and by the Midland Committee for School Action (CSA).

Judge Guinn has invited Midland residents and interested persons to be present for the hearing.

The hearing will be restricted to arguments on the plan already submitted by the school district, and the two alternate integration proposals submitted by the action group which intervened in the case.

The Committee for School Action is preparing charts showing school attendance zones and the number of white, black and Mexican-American students in each zone to be presented to the court.

One CSA spokesman said the charts "were requested" by Judge Guinn so that he might better understand the zoning and distribution of students by race in the school district.

"We have two plans to prepare arguments for, and two sets of charts to prepare, and we'll have some people there, but I don't know who will go," Red Little a CSA member said Friday.

An attorney for the committee

said that up to now representatives of the committee merely have presented "testimony," but when they meet in Judge Guinn's court Friday, "they'll need legal assistance in presenting their arguments."

Spokesman for the committee

ments in the integration case.

The League of Women Voters went on record as supporting the Committee for School Action's two alternative plans as submitted to Judge Guinn.

The group stated that "due to present housing patterns in

resolution of the immediate problem."

Since the League came out with its statement, a group calling itself "Children First" has been formed, and is circulating a petition supporting the school

vamping attendance zones for South and Travis elementary schools to achieve a more balanced racial mix.

Plans 1 and 2 proposed by the action committee call for keeping both Washington and Bunche

said last week, however, that Judge Guinn reportedly will not hear any more arguments or discussions on DeZavala at the hearing.

The action committee's Plan 2 proposes using buses 3, 8, 10, 11, 12, 26 and 30 to provide stu-

are Bunche and Washington, which are integrated with bused students; Henderson, which is closed, and Burnet, Bonham, Jones and Long, whose school boundaries would have to be repositioned to accommodate former Henderson students. All four still would have less than their individual capacities.

Under Plan 2, Bowie and West would lose bused students but would pick up special education students from Jones, Henderson, Fannin and Long. If necessary, some of those students would be sent to Lamar.

Travis would lose bused students and have zone boundaries changed to include more local students.

South would have zone boundaries changed to accommodate Travis, Bunche and Washington zone changes.

Emerson would lose a bus but have students going to temporary buildings.

Spokesman for Plans 1 and 2 proposed by the action committee say no students will be bused who are not already riding on buses, and that both plans allow Washington and Bunche to operate, preserve the neighborhood school concept, and that the black citizens and residents of Southeast Midland agree that implementation of either plan would be "heartily received."

As hearing date nears, opposing sides draw support from such diverse groups as the League of Women Voters and a new group known as 'Children First.'

said they did not plan any "new approaches" in presenting their arguments before the court.

Thornton Hardie Jr., attorney for the Midland school district, said he will present "well-substantiated" arguments for the district's attendance plan at the hearing.

Committee representatives and Hardie were in Judge Guinn's office Sept. 9, when the committee delivered its two alternatives to the school district's plan, as ordered in an earlier hearing by the judge.

The judge at that time said he would take under advisement and careful study the three plans, and would notify the involved parties at a later date.

Notification of the judge's decision to schedule the Friday hearing came last week.

Since the Sept. 9 meeting with Judge Guinn, two other Midland groups have released state-

Midland, the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible."

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, president of the League, said a telegram was sent to Judge Guinn informing him of the league's support for the action committee's plans.

In a statement released to the news media, the League said it "opposes the plans submitted to the court by the board of trustees of the Midland Independent School District." The statement further said that the board, "being convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective."

Mrs. Carpenter said that while neither plan proposed to Judge Guinn by the action committee meets all requirements of the League, "this League supports either plan as a better

district's integration plan."

A spokesman for the group said a telegram stating support for the school board and its plan was sent last week to Judge Guinn, and that the judge was advised that the petition would follow.

The text of the "Children First" petition reads, "We the undersigned wish to convey by this petition our complete and whole-hearted support of the present Pupil Assignment Program as presented by our Midland School Board."

Copies of the petition were circulated in the Cottonflat area and at Ideal Cleaners, 309 Dodson St. A spokesman at the cleaners said Friday that 44 names were on the petition at that location.

The Midland school trustees' plan calls for closing Washington Elementary, re-opening Bunche Elementary and re-

schools open by re-routing the busing of rural students to the schools. This would enable the schools to meet enrollment requirements and also would, according to the committee, create an acceptable racial balance in the schools.

Plan 1 would require using buses 8, 10, 11, 12 and 30 to take students to Washington Elementary and buses 4, 9 and 12 to carry students to Bunche.

This plan doesn't call for using all the school district's buses, or busing all rural students to Washington and Bunche. It proposes leaving several buses free to transport students to DeZavala Elementary School if the Justice Department rules that the school is racially identifiable, and that the ratios must be altered.

A spokesman for the MISD

dents for Washington Elementary, and buses 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 9 to carry students to Bunche.

Plan 2 further calls for the closing of Henderson Elementary. The plan states, "Removal of bused students from Burnet, Bowie, Emerson, Jones, West and Travis created a necessity for repositioning some school zone boundaries and closing Henderson Elementary School. Henderson was chosen to be closed because there are three other schools close by that former Henderson students could easily attend. The boundaries of the three nearby school zones of Jones, Long and Burnet, as well as those of nearby Bonham, have been adjusted to take care of the former Henderson students."

Schools affected by Plan 2

*Thorne-Curtis
Wakefield
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OCT 13 1971

STATEMENT MADE BEFORE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JUNE, 1968

I am Mrs. J. R. Sheeler, President of the League of Women Voters of Midland. The League is a non-partisan volunteer organization and is concerned with government and governmental issues at all levels.

The members of the League of Women Voters of the United States (to which the Midland League belongs) supports policies and programs to provide for all persons equality of opportunity for education. We believe that local government shares with other levels of government the responsibility to prevent or remove discrimination in education and to help communities bring about the racial integration of their school systems.

The Midland League is aware of the difficulty in phasing out a dual system of education. We appreciate the effort made by the School Board to promote community understanding through the recent neighborhood meetings.

We commend the School Board's efforts that are directed toward a goal of meaningful educational opportunity for all students. The League of Women Voters can neither support nor oppose any specific plan to accomplish this since we have no positions on particular solutions; but we hope that you are successful in reaching the goal in Midland.

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OCT 13 1971

3200 Shell
October 9, 1971

Mr. Bill Collyns, Editor
Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Mr. Collyns:

On October 5, 1971, the Midland Reporter-Telegram printed an editorial which pointed out that Midland school officials were surprised by the position taken by the League of Women Voters supporting the plans of the Committee for School Action.

We deeply regret that our actions were misunderstood, and it was most certainly not our intention to shock anyone.

I think perhaps the way in which the League functions and the League's positions and activities are not generally as well known and understood as we thought they were.

The public is usually aware of our voter's service activities such as compiling the Voter's Guides at election times and helping with voter registration drives. However this is only one part of League activity. Our purpose is to promote political responsibility through active and informed participation of citizens in government. In pursuit of this we remain non-partisan in that we never support or oppose political parties or candidates, but we do study selected public issues at the local, state and national levels. Following study a position may be stated and action taken to implement it. We try from time to time to include this type of information in our publicity so it will be understood that we do study issues, take positions and act.

You may recall that the Reporter-Telegram has occasionally printed articles regarding League positions. For instance I remember reading in the newspaper earlier this year the statement of position of the League of Women Voters of the U. S. on the subject of air quality.

League action may take the form of testifying before congressional or legislative committee hearings, contacting public officials by letter, telegram or in person, making official statements before local governing bodies, etc.

Briefly then, we select an issue, study it, come to consensus, issue a statement of position and follow with action.

Now, what about school integration? The goal of League's Human Resources work is to make obsolete the facts of poverty and racial discrimination in America today. In the enclosed booklet Study and Action on page 10, we read,

"Under our national, and reinforcing state and local, positions, we work to diminish school segregation in the North and the South, whether the cause is housing discrimination or whether it is dual school systems previously tolerated under law and not yet desegregated."

Local Leagues in areas such as Boston, Massachusetts and Hartford, Connecticut have supported programs like METCO and PROJECT CONCERN, which transport children from the inner city to suburban schools to correct racial imbalance and improve the children's education level. By working with school boards, Leagues have helped plan locations for new schools and attendance zones that would produce a better racial balance. In 1970 when a special Senate committee was established to make recommendations dealing with both de facto and de jure segregation, about 30 Leagues turned in reports based on experience and research in their own areas. From such widely separated communities as Pasadena, California and Auburn, Alabama came reports emphasizing, "...two major points: the need to enlighten the public and mobilize community support for change; and the inescapable tie between housing patterns and the racial make-up of schools." (P. 10, Study and Action)

In Midland in June, 1969, the enclosed statement was made by Mrs. J. R. Sheeler before the Board of Trustees of MISO. You can see that at that time our local League had no specific position on procedures for implementing desegregation. In August, 1971, a letter (copy enclosed) was sent to Mr. Gilbert Tompson at the School Administration Building along with copies of Just Schools. Then on September 22, 1971, a news item (copy enclosed) appeared in the Reporter-Telegram announcing the local League's study of what procedures would lead to quality integration of Midland schools. During the next week Mrs. Sheeler, who was moderating the discussions, talked in person and by telephone with several administrative officials and with Mr. Tompson. She thought she had sufficiently explained to each of them the type of study we were making and our consensus process. No misunderstanding or lack of communication was intended.

On the day of our final discussion and consensus meeting Mr. Tompson came to explain the Trustees two proposed plans. Mrs. Cullen Harris and Mr. Alston Boyd were also present to explain the Intervenor and Committee for School Action plans. The next day, (Friday, October 1, 1971) our League's board of directors met to put together from the members' consensus a statement of our position. Then since we expected Judge Guinn's decision at any time, we promptly sent a telegram to him stating our support of the Intervenor or School Action Committee plans.

It should be understood that when we first decided to undertake this study as an extension of our national item, we assumed that by the time we might have reached consensus, the Judge would have already handed down a decision on the current Midland school situation. But since interest in school integration was running high and since we did not anticipate that a decision involving only three or four schools would be a lasting solution, we decided to go ahead with the study, hoping that if we came up with a consensus and position, that it would be one useful now and in the future.

On Saturday morning, October 2, 1971, before our position and action could be announced by the news media, I tried to get in touch with Mr. Tompson to thank him for coming to our meeting and to let him know of our position and action before it was announced publicly. The telephone was busy, so I waited a while and tried again. The second time there was no answer. After trying a third time without success, I decided to call Ted Kerr, who I understand is the Vice President of the Trustees. Again there was no answer. I then called Mrs. Courtney Cowden, Trustee Secretary, whom I assumed would be next in the line of proper communication channels. We talked for about half an hour while I explained for her our position and action and that we wanted someone on the Board of Trustees to know of these things before they were announced in the news media. Then I mailed copies of our news release to all the Trustees except Mr. Tompson. I drove to his house and, still finding no one home, left the news release in his mail box.

So you can see that, not having the time or manpower to contact everyone individually, we did attempt to go through proper channels.

We feel that your editorial has misrepresented League intentions, making it look like we irresponsibly neglected contacting school officials. Since that is not true, we would greatly appreciate your printing a clarification in the newspaper.

Thank you.


Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter)
President

Copies to: Gilbert C. Tompson
Margaret Cowden
Lorenzo Auble
C. Wallace Craig
Ted H. Kerr
Joe Boniney
James E. Winget



Mrs. Darnie Winick
Dickinson Plaza Center



You are invited to a

AUG 30 1911

Coffee

Thursday, September 2, 10:00 a.m.

Midland Country Club

"Fine Faults and Virtuous Vices"

Midland League of Women Voters

R. S. V. P. [REDACTED]

Last Spring **MIDLAND**

1. Earth day seminar
with Midland College
sponsored last week picnic

2. Candidates Fair in
the Park

League members sewing

3. Citizens Advisory
Comm. for Midland-
Adessa college.

MEMORANDUM FROM:

League of Women Voters of Texas

DICKINSON PLAZA CENTER • DICKINSON, TEXAS 77539



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DENTON: Local Program for 1969-70

1. Study the Rehabilitation of Blighted Neighborhoods
2. A Study and Evaluation of the Denton City Charter
3. Continue Updating "Denton--Your City, Your County" Booklet
4. Study and Support Welfare Consensus Items:
 - The Child Welfare Unit
 - Establishment of a Public Health Unit
 - A Juvenile Probation Officer
 - Appointment of Advisory Board^s for the Child Welfare Unit and Public Health Unit
 - A Master Plan for Welfare Services
5. Study and Support the Continuation and Expansion of Parks and Recreation Program and Facilities

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MIDLAND: Local Program 1969-70

- I. Definition of the local Judiciary System with emphasis on:
 - 1) Its Jurisdiction, 2) Its scope and power, 3) Jury selection, 4) Qualifications and competency of its officials
- II. Continuation and in-depth study of the Ward System
 - CR's- 1. Revision of the City Charter (attention to the provision of City Manager/Council form of municipal government as a necessary part of the Charter.
 - 2. Midland Independent Schools--Support for expansion of special services including a. Increased counselling aids, b. Remedial and summer school programs, c. Night courses for credit to allow graduation to dropouts.
 - 3. Council of Governments--Support of a public education concerning all aspects of councils of governments

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WACO: Local Program 1969-70

- I. Continued evaluation of Federal, State and Local program to determine how these programs meet local needs for the Underemployed & Unemployed with special emphasis on Vocational & Technical Education in the High Schools of Waco and McLennan County (underlined added this year)
Outlook for work: Evaluation of existing programs.
- II. Continued study of community needs in Mental Health & Mental Retardation.
- III. Continued survey of Waco-McLennan County Health & Welfare.
- IV. Support of Measures to preserve Council-Manager form of Government in Waco.
- V. A study of the revision of the Bartholomew Plan as a guide to city planning.
- VI. Continued support of measures to secure voting machines in McLennan County.

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Note: S. O. has not received Denton and Waco local Board lists for 1969-70 .
Midland's has been sent to you. Please cut and attach these local Programs to the Board lists when they become available.

Midland
dup. sent Jones

MAY 8 1969

Presidents Mailing (2 copies)
LWV of Texas
January 1969

WORDING OF LOCAL PROGRAM FOR 1969-70

1st Year Definition of The Local Judiciary

2nd Year Evaluation of Ward system for
electing local officials

Support positions on

- 1) Revision of City Charter
- 2) INCREASE SPECIAL SERVICES in
public schools
- 3) public education program
on COGS

Signed

Betty Sherk

Portfolio

Retiring Pres.

Local League retain one copy
One copy to be sent to state office

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MAR 9 1970

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Midland County



Midland, Texas

1
Fena Berry
Barbara Cartwright
Kathy Freeman

YES, your name is somewhere on this page - as a member of a "mini-group". These mini-groups will be accomplishing two objectives during our finance drive this year:

2
Betty Byerley
Ruth Davis
Essie Mae Hendricks

1. Collecting checks from our contributors (who have already received our letter). Without this money there can be no League.
2. Conducting the first phase of our community survey on what types of Voters Service projects are needed in Midland.

3
Cuz Coester
Lois Carpenter
Martie Pearson

We are introducing our "YEAR OF THE VOTER" theme to Midland as we seek suggestions from the business community on how we can better serve the voter. Additional parts of the survey will be made this spring through service organizations; the academic community; and elected officials.

4
Pat Flinn
Julie Keys
Ginny Glenn

WHAT TO DO AFTER READING THIS LETTER:

5
Peggy Garrett
Cathy Langenbahn
Kay Fears

1. The first person named in each group will be responsible for calling the other two and arranging your own get together to decide how you want to handle "your" cards and simultaneous survey. Someone in your group will also do the thank you notes following the drive.

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Evelyn Gould
Betty Baker
Ruth Hoff

2. As many as possible or at least ONE from your group drop by 14 Fairfax Court between 10 - 12 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27th to pick up your group kit, cards and survey sheets. If you have any questions, we can go over them then.

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Phyllis Jacques
Virginia Hanley
Edith King

3. Start your calls on MONDAY, MARCH 2nd - as a group; in two's or singly, however you have decided.

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Ann Mitchell
Ellen Hartman
Mary Vogel

4. Return checks, cards and survey sheets to 14 Fairfax Ct. by MONDAY, MARCH 9th - Pick up "Year of the Voter" thank you stationery for "your" contributors notes.

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Peggy Park
Marion Kimberly
Bee Beesley

5. Return handwritten notes to 14 Fairfax Ct. by FRIDAY, MARCH 13th so they can be mailed as a group.

AND FINALLY,

6. Put the enclosed bumper sticker on your car as you join 160,000 other League members in this "Year of the Voter" campaign. They only cost 10¢ and you can pay for them at any future meeting. (More will be available, should you want them.)

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Dilly Penn
Bessie Collins
Joan Southerland

I want to thank each of you, now, for working on these projects. The successful completion of our efforts will not only mean a great deal to the League, but will also mean a great deal to Midland.

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Betty Sheeler
Yvonne Dugan
Ada Hedrick

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Pat Stanley
Kathy Conrad
Leola Waldrep

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Shirley Raimor
Pam Scott
Marion Spears
Joy Bates

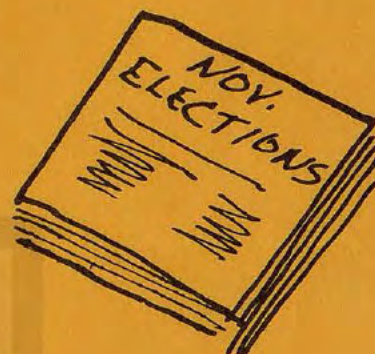
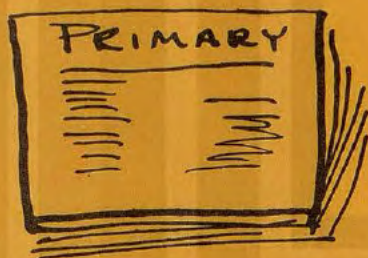
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IN AN ATTEMPT TO ANALYZE THE CITIZEN EDUCATION NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY, THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND IS CONDUCTING THE FOLLOWING SURVEY WITH THE HOPE OF IMPLEMENTING NEW PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY AND INFORMED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT.

The League appreciates your assistance and response to the questionnaire.

ENCOURAGING REGISTRATION AND VOTING

1. Are registration and voting procedures convenient to all voters?
2. In your opinion, would voting machine demonstrations serve to increase participation at the polls?
3. Would publicizing election day throughout the community increase voter participation? Examples such as merchant "vote" flags; window displays; postage meter reminders by utilities and banking institutions?
4. Have you any suggestions to improve registration and voting participation?

INFORMING THE VOTER:

1. Do voters have enough opportunities to meet candidates?
2. Do you feel the media has ample coverage of candidate views and explanation of ballot issues?
3. Do you feel there is a need in our community for simplified voters guides? Spanish printed guides?
4. Do you prefer the Voters Guides mailed to your home or printed in the paper?
5. Would candidates meetings assist the voter? What format would you prefer - luncheons, dinners, town hall format?
6. Have you any suggestions for improving present techniques used by the League? (Voters Guides, Pro and Con ballot explanations, speakers)

LEARNING ABOUT GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS:


1. Do you feel there is adequate participation in party politics?
2. Would a course on practical politics be beneficial to the community?
3. Are there enough adult education courses available on government and politics?
4. What are the biggest governmental problems facing the community? Recreation, crime, planning, taxes, economy, others?
5. Would a forum for community discussion of such problems be beneficial?
6. Do you feel that tools such as a political directory (names and addresses of elected officials) and a Voter Handbook (handbook on government and politics in Texas) would be helpful?

YOUTH, NEW CITIZENS, NEW RESIDENTS:

1. Would a planned presentation of citizen education material on government, schools, and community be helpful to new residents?
2. Are students given enough opportunity to see government in action? Would more "go-see" tours be worthwhile?
3. Would an extra-curricular opportunity (in conjunction with the schools) for students to meet and discuss government and politics with elected officials (bi-partisan) assist them in preparing for future citizenship roles?
4. Is there enough assistance given to persons studying for naturalization?

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON EXISTING PROJECTS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, OR SUGGESTIONS FOR NEW ONES?

If you are mailing this response back, please mail to:
There is no need to sign the response.

Mrs. Gail Stoddard, President


State office

STATEMENT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MISO

OCTOBER 12, 1971

I am Mrs. E. Ken Carpenter, President of the League of Women Voters of Midland. The League is a non-partisan volunteer organization and is concerned with government and governmental issues at all levels.

The members of the League of Women Voters of the United States (to which the Midland League belongs) support policies and programs to provide for all persons equality of opportunity for education. We believe that local government shares with other levels of government the responsibility to prevent or remove discrimination in education and to help communities bring about the racial integration of their school systems.

Three years ago the Midland School Board took steps to integrate the secondary schools of Midland, and at that time the League commended the Board for its efforts directed toward a goal of meaningful educational opportunity for all students.

Since that time the Midland League has completed a study of what procedures would lead to quality integration of Midland Schools. We stand ready to offer our cooperation and resources in the development of a plan for quality integration of all Midland Public Schools. The League believes firmly in the necessity for integrated schools and in the need for calm and constructive consideration of plans to achieve desegregation. Neighborhood schools are desirable, but integrated schools are both desirable and mandatory under the law.

The official statement of the League's position is as follows:

The Midland League of Women Voters believes: that a quality integrated public school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district; that due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible, that the entire school district should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation, that integration of all schools could stabilize neighborhoods and prevent the white flight problem from growing, that school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership is provided by school trustees and administrators, government officials and organizations favoring quality integration, that programs must be developed to train teachers for further integration, and that careful attention must be given to the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

Therefore the League of Women Voters of Midland opposes the plans submitted to the court by the Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District. While neither the Intervenor Plan nor the plan of the Committee for School Action meets all requirements of the League, this League supports either plan as a better resolution of the immediate problem.

The Midland League of Women Voters feels that the Board of Trustees of the MISD, being sincerely convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective.



CHRISTMAS BRUNCH — The League of Women Voters held a Christmas brunch Thursday in the home of Mrs. Paul Davis, [REDACTED] Mrs. Davis, left, is pictured with left to right, Mrs. W. E. Liljestrand, Mrs. Tom Porter and Mrs. Don Hellinghausen.

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Oct. 5, 1971*

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School Case Heads Back Into Court

The Midland public schools integration case goes back to federal court in El Paso on Oct. 15, it was announced today.

School district attorney Thornton Hardie Jr. said that he had been notified that Judge Ernest Guinn has scheduled a 10 a.m. Oct. 15 hearing in El Paso for oral arguments on school attendance plans proposed by the school district board of trustees and by the Midland Committee for School Action.

"The hearing will be restricted to arguments on those plans already submitted by the district and by the group which intervened in the case," Hardie said, indicating no new plans would be considered from either side.

Wed. Oct. 6, 1971

'Children First' Group Supports School Board Plan

A group tentatively calling itself "Children First" is circulating a petition supporting the Midland Independent School District trustees' integration plan.

A spokesman for the group said a telegram stating support for the school board and its plan was sent Monday to Judge Ernest Guinn of the U.S. District Court in El Paso who is considering three plans involving integration of Midland's elementary schools. Judge Guinn was advised that the petition would follow.

Copies of the petition are being circulated in the Cottonflat area and one is available at

Ideal Cleaners, 309 Dodson St. The spokesman said the petition is designed to express a citizens' vote of confidence in the Midland school board.

The "Children First" group's action follows an announcement made last Saturday that the Midland League of Women Voters had voiced to Judge Guinn support for either of the integration plans submitted by the Committee for School Action and opposing the school board's plan.

The League's position is that "the entire school district should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation" and that due to Midland housing pat-

terns "the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible."

The public school trustees plan pending before Judge Guinn is designed to maintain a neighborhood school concept on the elementary level. It calls for the closing of Washington Elementary School, which has been the target of the U.S. Justice Department as being "racially identifiable," the reopening of Bunche Elementary and the redrawing of attendance boundaries for South and Travis Elementary Schools.

The two alternative plans sub-
(See PETITION Page 11A)

Petition—

(Continued From Page 1A)

mitted to Judge Guinn by the Committee for School Action, composed primarily of residents of South and Southeast Midland, both essentially ask that both Washington and Bunche be opened and that rural students, who are already being bused, be used to fill out enrollment at the two schools.

Judge Guinn has set a hearing in El Paso on Oct. 15 to hear further arguments on the various plans.

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SECTION D

Midland League Dedicated To Assisting Voters



SERVICES FOR VOTERS—Mrs. Terry Fisher, left, voters' service chairman of the League of Women Voters of Midland, discusses responsibilities of voters and ways the league can assist them with three young voters, from left, Marcela Lopez, Calvin Hutson and Marcia Ann Ingram. With the new voting regulation permitting 18-year-olds to vote, the league already has received requests from college students for voting information.



FOREIGN POLICY STUDY—One of the study items of the league is foreign policy. The league is a non-partisan organization which does not support or oppose candidates or political parties, but studies are made of governmental issues and positions on these issues are taken by the league. Mrs. J. R. Sheeler, left, the league's foreign policy chairman, is shown with Mrs. Bascom Mitchell, who points out the location of a former foreign policy study country, China.

MEMBERSHIP COFFEE—Mrs. H. E. Braunig Jr., left, newcomer to Midland from New Orleans, La., hears plans for the league's membership coffee to be held at 10 a.m. Sept. 2 in Midland Country Club from Mrs. Darol K. Ramey, center, member of the membership committee, and Mrs. Charles M. Linehan, longtime member of the league. Membership is open to all interested women of voting age. "Fine Faults and Virtuous Vices" will be the theme of the coffee.



WELFARE LEGISLATION—Mrs. H. G. Bissonnet, left, is a member of the league's local study item committee on welfare legislation. She is pictured with the league's president, Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter. The league is making a survey and evaluation of the welfare program in Midland. In addition to studies, the league furnishes voters with Voters' Guides containing background information on candidates prior to elections.

Both predicted significant environmental legislation would come from the next session of the legislature.

Tanzania Missionary To



Mrs. Sandra L. Goodwin

Mrs. Sandra L. Goodwin, an Assemblies of God missionary to Tanzania, East Africa, will be a guest speaker Sunday at morning and evening worship

services of the Garden City Assembly of God, 2901 W. K

The services are for 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The missionary and her year-old daughter, who spent two years in West Africa, after Mrs. Goodwin's husband, the late Sidney R. Goodwin, was killed in an explosion there. Mrs. Goodwin worked in the bus

will teach at the Tanzania Bible School in a town of approx population. The s

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Lutheran Laymen Hears High Church

WASHINGTON, D.C. — "The greatest service you can perform for your country is to be a committed Christian," Dr. J. A. O. Preus, president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, told the nearly 1,000 delegates attending the 54th annual con-

McCamey To Host Youth Conference

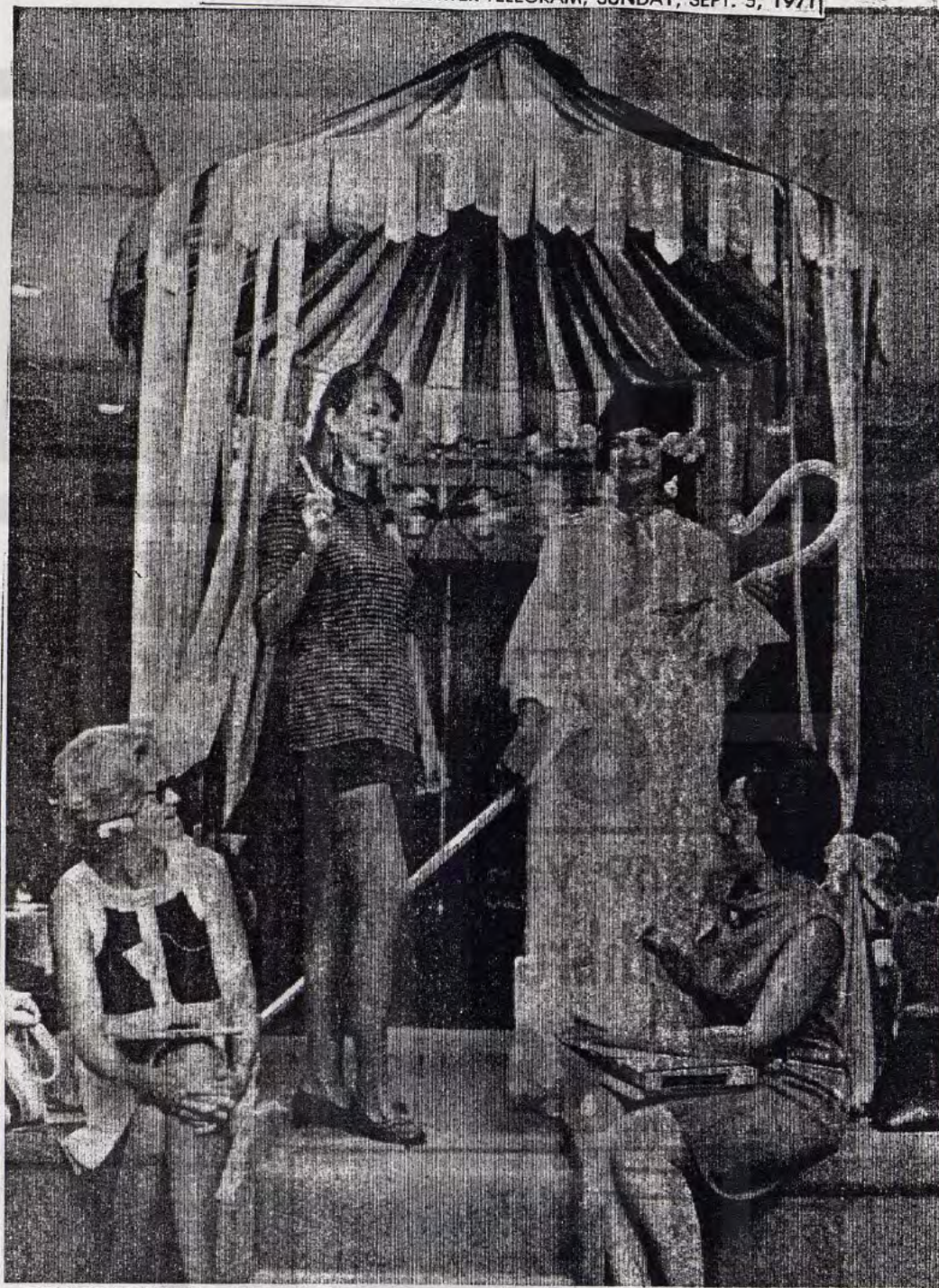
McCAMEY — Young people from a wide area of the Permian Basin will be in McCamey Saturday to attend the second areawide youth meeting at McCamey Church of Christ.

Theme of the gathering will be "Youth In Today's World." High school and junior high school age young people have been invited to attend the meeting.

Featured speakers at the gathering will be Dr. C. L. Kay, assistant president of Lubbock Christian College, and Jim Ravannelli, director of development for LCC.

Sets Water Standards

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) —



LEAGUE SKIT — Mrs. Dale Fairbanks, Mrs. John Kimberly, Mrs. J. T. Berry and Mrs. N. S. Gould, from left, participated in a humorous skit explaining activities of the League of Women Voters of Midland at a membership coffee Thursday in Midland Country Club. "Find Faults and Virtuous Vices" was the title of the skit. Narrator for the skit was Mrs. J. H. Conine Jr. The pianist was Mrs. John Hansen.

SOCIETY

4A—THE MIDLAND REPORTER-TELEGRAM, WED., SEPT. 8, 1971

Mrs. Salvador DeLeon Becomes Citizen, Honored At Party In Branch Office

Mrs. Salvador DeLeon, who has passed her test to become a United States citizen, was honored recently with a party in the Family Counseling Service branch office at 1101 E. Chestnut Lane.

Mrs. DeLeon, a client of the Lease Purchase Program, received tutoring from Mrs. Severo Hinojosa and Mrs. Ollie B. Bell twice weekly. She will be sworn in later this month at the Pecos Federal Court.

Hostesses to the party were Mrs. Jesus Corrales, acting di-

rector of the Lease Purchase Program; Mrs. Hinojosa and Mrs. Ruby Freeman.

Mrs. Corrales presented Mrs. DeLeon with a book on the history of the United States, and Mrs. Terry Fisher of the League of Women Voters gave Mrs. DeLeon a *Citizen's Handbook*.

Mrs. DeLeon resides with her husband and two children at 304 Fiesta St. Their daughter, Gloria, is a student at Goddard Junior High School and their son, Salvador, is a sixth grade student at Ben Milam Elementary School. DeLeon is employed by Rich Air Co.



BECOMES CITIZEN—Mrs. Salvador DeLeon, second from right, has passed her test to become a United States citizen. She is pictured at a party given in her honor with, from left, Mrs. Severo Hinojosa, Mrs. Terry Fisher and Mrs. Jesus Corrales.

Shock To School Board

The action of the Midland League of Women Voters in its announced support of the Committee for School Action plans as opposed to the integration plan of the Board of Education of the Midland Independent School District, came as a shock to school trustees and administration personnel.

A trustee, stating that his first knowledge of the action came when he read the announcement in Sunday's issue of The Reporter-Telegram, said he was both surprised and shocked.

A school administrator said he had visited briefly on the telephone with a League representative recently but he was not aware of the purpose for which information was being sought. He said he understood the school board president had met with League representatives last week, but he had not been advised as to the outcome of the session.

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The League of Women Voters, stating that "due to present housing patterns in Midland the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible," announced Saturday that it had gone on record as supporting alternative school integration plans now pending before the U.S. District Court in El Paso.

It also was announced that Judge Ernest Guinn had been informed of the League's support of plans submitted by the Committee for School Action.

This action perhaps was what surprised school officials the most.

A statement released by the League said it opposes the plan submitted to the court by the board of trustees of the school district.

It also noted that the League feels that the board, "being convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective."

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The League, according to a spokesman, plans to present a statement of its position to the board of trustees and "stands ready to offer its cooperation and resources in the development of a plan for quality integration of all Midland public schools."

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, League president, said "the League believes firmly in the necessity for integrated schools and in the need for calm and constructive consideration of plans to achieve desegregation." She said the statement represented a "consensus of the organization's membership" of between 50 and 75 women.

The school board also believes in integrated schools, but at the same time it supports the neighborhood school concept which, it is felt, still is favored by a majority of Midlanders.

The League has every right to express itself in this regard, but the action it took still came as a shock to school officials who have worked tirelessly in preparing a plan which they consider to be in the best interest of the system and its students. They feel, and rightly so that they should have been consulted in the matter, particularly concerning the court contact.

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September 22, 1971

League Of Women Voters Will Ponder Integration

9-22-71

The League of Women Voters of Midland will begin a study Thursday to consider what procedures would lead to quality integration of Midland schools.

A unit meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the home of Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter,

For years the U.S. League has maintained a support position under its Human Resources item which reads: "Support of equal opportunity in education, employment and housing," but does not detail any specific procedures for implementing desegregation.

The Midland League, therefore, will study the question of how best to handle school integration locally.

Thursday, members will discuss measures taken — both with and without success — in other communities, and consider such questions as what are the elements of successful school integration, who should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation, should students

and parents be actively involved in planning and implementing integration and others.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

Membership is open to any woman of voting age, and anyone interested in joining the League is invited to attend the Thursday meeting, officials said.

OCT. 18, 1971

Shock Not Intentional

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, president of the Midland League of Women Voters, feels that a recent Reporter-Telegram editorial, "Shock To School Board," misrepresented League intentions.

The editorial said that the action of the League in its announced support of the Committee for School Action plans as opposed to the integration plan of the Board of Education of the Midland Independent School District, came as a shock to school trustees and administration personnel, which it did to some.

The editorial was mildly critical of the League for not having consulted with or advised the school board concerning its position, particularly since the federal district judge in whose court the Midland school integration case was pending, had been advised of the League's position.

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"We deeply regret that our actions were misunderstood, and it was most certainly not our intention to shock anyone," Mrs. Carpenter wrote in a letter to The Reporter-Telegram.

"We feel that your editorial has misrepresented League intentions, making it look like we irresponsibly neglected contacting school officials . . . which is not true."

Mrs. Carpenter reviewed briefly the study made by the League concerning school integration and said that Gilbert C. Thompson, school board president, had conferred with League representatives concerning the proposed plans of the board.

"On Saturday morning, Oct. 2, 1971, before our position and action could be announced by the news media," Mrs. Carpenter wrote, "I tried to get in touch with Mr. Thompson to let him know of our position and action before it was announced publicly. The telephone was busy, so I waited a while and tried again. The second time there was no answer."

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"After trying a third time without success, I tried to call Ted Kerr, who, I understand, is vice president of the trustees. Again there was no answer. I then called Mrs. Courtney Cowden, trustee secretary, whom I assumed would be next in line of proper communication channels. We talked for about half an hour while I explained for her our position and action and that we wanted someone on the board of trustees to know of these things before they were announced in the news media. Then I mailed copies of our news release to all the trustees except Mr. Thompson. I drove to his house and, still finding no one home, left the news release in his mail box.

"So you can see that, not having the time or manpower to contact everyone individually, we did attempt to go through proper channels," Mrs. Carpenter concluded.

The Reporter-Telegram is glad to present Mrs. Carpenter's explanation in this regard.

OCT. 20, 1971



"On Target," a joint project of The Reporter-Telegram, Action Line-Fish and the Human Relations Council, solves problems, gets answers, cuts red tape and investigates complaints. Write "On Target," The Midland Reporter-Telegram, Box 1650, Midland, Tex. 79701.

If the League of Women Voters is a non-partisan group, why did it take a position regarding integration?

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Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, president, says the League is non-partisan because it never supports or opposes political parties or candidates. Because the purpose of the League is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation by all citizens, League programs call for taking positions on major issues in local, state and national affairs. The League has two major program areas: Voter service and the study of governmental issues on local state and national levels.

Do we have food stamps in Midland?

No, food stamps are not given in Midland. However, a food commodities program is available to eligible persons at 803 S. Marientfeld St. To find out if you are eligible call 652-9481, Ext. 60.

Are there any city ordinances governing the building or setting up of storage houses on my personal property?

L. D.

Mr. Wilkes of the City Inspection Department says YES! A \$3 building permit is required and the house or shed must comply with certain setback variances. This applies both to buildings you construct on the property and ready-built ones. General requirements are five feet from adjacent property owner, 10 feet from adjacent side street, 25 feet from front of your property line. There are other requirements, so contact the City Inspection Department.

I am a senior in high school and will be 18 on Oct. 15, 1972. I want to vote in the November elections next year. Should I register to vote now or wait until my birthday? Also, do I register here or in Lubbock where I plan to attend college?

J. K.

Register now. It will help the voter registration office in preparing their voter rolls. However, you may not vote until after your 18th birthday. You may register in Midland or Lubbock county as you prefer, but you must reside in either county for six months prior to elections in order to vote. You may vote absentee in Midland County if your voter registration shows Midland as your permanent address, even if you are in Lubbock. Mrs. Builta, deputy clerk, voter registration office in the county courthouse, will answer specific questions.

I would like to do parttime babysitting or sit with an elderly person. Can you suggest how I might get started?

Contact the Texas Employment Commission at 501 N. Lorraine St. They will take your application and contact you about available work.

Schools, Committee Prepare F

By JOHN ARMISTEAD

Federal Judge Ernest Guinn has scheduled a hearing at 10 a.m. Friday in El Paso to hear arguments on school attendance plans proposed by the Midland Independent School District (MISD) board of trustees and by the Midland Committee for School Action (CSA).

Judge Guinn has invited Midland residents and interested persons to be present for the hearing.

The hearing will be restricted to arguments on the plan already submitted by the school district, and the two alternate integration proposals submitted by the action group which intervened in the case.

The Committee for School Action is preparing charts showing school attendance zones and the number of white, black and Mexican-American students in each zone to be presented to the court.

One CSA spokesman said the charts "were requested" by Judge Guinn so that he might better understand the zoning and distribution of students by race in the school district.

"We have two plans to prepare arguments for, and two sets of charts to prepare, and we'll have some people there, but I don't know who will go," Red Little a CSA member said Friday.

An attorney for the committee

said that up to now representatives of the committee merely have presented "testimony," but when they meet in Judge Guinn's court Friday, "they'll need legal assistance in presenting their arguments."

Spokesman for the committee

ments in the integration case.

The League of Women Voters went on record as supporting the Committee for School Action's two alternative plans as submitted to Judge Guinn.

The group stated that "due to present housing patterns in

resolution of the immediate problem."

Since the League came out with its statement, a group calling itself "Children First" has been formed, and is circulating a petition supporting the school

As hearing date nears, opposing sides draw support as the League of Women Voters and a new group kn

said they did not plan any "new approaches" in presenting their arguments before the court.

Thornton Hardie Jr., attorney for the Midland school district, said he will present "well-substantiated" arguments for the district's attendance plan at the hearing.

Committee representatives and Hardie were in Judge Guinn's office Sept. 9, when the committee delivered its two alternatives to the school district's plan, as ordered in an earlier hearing by the judge.

The judge at that time said he would take under advisement and careful study the three plans, and would notify the involved parties at a later date.

Notification of the judge's decision to schedule the Friday hearing came last week.

Since the Sept. 9 meeting with Judge Guinn, two other Midland groups have released state-

Midland, the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible." Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter, president of the League, said a telegram was sent to Judge Guinn informing him of the league's support for the action committee's plans.

In a statement released to the news media, the League said it "opposes the plans submitted to the court by the board of trustees of the Midland Independent School District." The statement further said that the board, "being convinced that the community desires a neighborhood school plan, has acted in good faith in pursuit of that objective."

Mrs. Carpenter said that while neither plan proposed to Judge Guinn by the action committee meets all requirements of the League, "this League supports either plan as a better

district's integration plan.

A spokesman for the group said a telegram stating support for the school board and its plan was sent last week to Judge Guinn, and that the judge was advised that the petition would follow.

The text of the "Children First" petition reads, "We the undersigned wish to convey by this petition our complete and whole-hearted support of the present Pupil Assignment Program as presented by our Midland School Board."

Copies of the petition were circulated in the Cottonflat area and at Ideal Cleaners, 309 Dodson St. A spokesman at the cleaners said Friday that 44 names were on the petition at that location.

The Midland school trustees' plan calls for closing Washington Elementary, re-opening Bunche Elementary and re-

For Friday Day In Court

vamping attendance zones for South and Travis elementary schools to achieve a more balanced racial mix.

Plans 1 and 2 proposed by the action committee call for keeping both Washington and Bunche

said last week, however, that Judge Guinn reportedly will not hear any more arguments or discussions on DeZavala at the hearing.

The action committee's Plan 2 proposes using buses 3, 8, 10, 11, 12, 26 and 30 to provide stu-

are Bunche and Washington, which are integrated with bused students; Henderson, which is closed, and Burnet, Bonham, Jones and Long, whose school boundaries would have to be repositioned to accommodate former Henderson students. All four still would have less than their individual capacities.

Under Plan 2, Bowie and West would lose bused students but would pick up special education students from Jones, Henderson, Fannin and Long. If necessary, some of those students would be sent to Lamar.

Travis would lose bused students and have zone boundaries changed to include more local students.

South would have zone boundaries changed to accommodate Travis, Bunche and Washington zone changes.

Emerson would lose a bus but have students going to temporary buildings.

Spokesman for Plans 1 and 2 proposed by the action committee say no students will be bused who are not already riding on buses, and that both plans allow Washington and Bunche to operate, preserve the neighborhood school concept, and that the black citizens and residents of Southeast Midland agree that implementation of either plan would be "heartily received."

ort from such diverse groups own as 'Children First.'

schools open by re-routing the busing of rural students to the schools. This would enable the schools to meet enrollment requirements and also would, according to the committee, create an acceptable racial balance in the schools.

Plan 1 would require using buses 8, 10, 11, 12 and 30 to take students to Washington Elementary and buses 4, 9 and 12 to carry students to Bunche.

This plan doesn't call for using all the school district's buses, or busing all rural students to Washington and Bunche. It proposes leaving several buses free to transport students to DeZavala Elementary School if the Justice Department rules that the school is racially identifiable, and that the ratios must be altered.

A spokesman for the MISD

dents for Washington Elementary, and buses 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 9 to carry students to Bunche.

Plan 2 further calls for the closing of Henderson Elementary. The plan states, "Removal of bused students from Burnet, Bowie, Emerson, Jones, West and Travis created a necessity for repositioning some school zone boundaries and closing Henderson Elementary School. Henderson was chosen to be closed because there are three other schools close by that former Henderson students could easily attend. The boundaries of the three nearby school zones of Jones, Long and Burnet, as well as those of nearby Bonham, have been adjusted to take care of the former Henderson students."

Schools affected by Plan 2

SEP 1 1989

League of Women Voters, Midland, Texas
May 2, 1989

PRESENT: Nicholson, Edwards, Hansen, Schneider, Smith, Campbell,
Hellinghausen, Stanley, and Carpenter (off board).

TREASURER'S REPORT: Present balance approximately \$2900.

INTERIM FINANCE DRIVE REPORT: Carpenter reported and made some
recommendations. Campbell moved and it was seconded to
omit "or holding" from the section on Finance in the
Midland League's Policy Sheet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nicholson reported that she had received 32
League related calls this month. Greenwood called and
wanted the League to conduct a candidate's forum, the board
had previously decided not to hold candidate's forums at
this time.

EDUCATION STUDY: Edward's moved, and Hansen seconded, to add an "H"
section to present at the annual meeting for concurrence.
The term Students at Risk was approved by the board.
H. Programs and activities to address the needs of
students at risk as: 1. mentor programs, 2. greater
parental involvement, 3. early identification and intervention.

MEMBERSHIP: Smith requested \$86., it was approved.

GUIDE TO ELECTED OFFICIALS: Contact will be made with McDaniel (Texaco)
about reprinting "Guide to Elected Officials".

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SEP 1 1989

League of Women Voters, Midland, Texas
April 4, 1989

PRESENT: Schneider, Nicholson, Sartain, Miller, Stanley, Edwards,
Smith and Torres.

MINUTES: February 28, 1989 accepted as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: March ending balance \$3131.81.

FINANCE REPORT: copies will be made available at the annual meeting,
taking place at Nicholson's house.

MEETING: April 20, will be consensus, place to be announced later.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN: Susan Edwards and Brune Torres
will attend.

VOTER REGISTRATION AND CANDIDATES'S FORUM: After a long discussion
it was decided by the board not to provide these services
at this time, due to poor attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nicholson reiterated that she felt the League
needed a telephone. She suggested for the board to
consider budgeting for one. She said that some months go
by with maybe one call, but that in the fall she had
received many calls.

CONVENTION: Nicholson, Schneider, Drew, Carpenter, and Keasler plan
to attend.

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SEP 1 1989

League of Women Voters, Midland, Texas
February 28, 1989

PRESENT: Nicholson, Stanley, Smith, Hansen, Campbell, Edwards,
Hellinghausen, and Torres.

MINUTES: January 31, approved as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Edwards reported a current balance for the
education fund of \$669.52. Interest earned for the month of
January was \$11.57, and expenses amounted to \$350.28 leaving a
balance of \$3518.64.

MEETINGS: It was decided to cancel the March program until the April
meeting. For the March meeting it was suggested to invite
Barbara Culver or Sheriff Gary Painter as a guest speaker.

STATE CONVENTION: Nicholson announced that as many as 5 delegates
would be allowed to attend. Nicholson, Keasler, Carpenter and
Schneider showed interest in attending.

STATE BOARD: Nicholson has been nominated to serve.

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| NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Proposed slate for 1989-90; | |
| President-Pat Schneider | Directors |
| Secretary-Sylvia Drew | Catherine Donahue |
| Program Vice Pres.- Pat Stanley | Flo Hansen |
| Organizational Vice Pres. | Janis Kleaser |
| Joan Hilsman | Brooke Mueller |
| Nominating Committee | Board members completing |
| Carla Penick (chairperson) | second year of a two year |
| Alynda Best | term: Ann Smith and |
| Karen Nicholson | Marge Hellinghausen |

MEMBERSHIP: Smith reported she had compiled 50 membership folders,
and that she would have a few more for new members.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nicholson reported that April 6 was the last day
to register voters, and that local elections would be on May 6.
Next board meeting will be April 4.

MEETING ADJOURNED/Torres

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League of Women Voters, Midland, Texas
January 31, 1989

PRESENT: Nicholson, Stanley, Smith, Sartain, Edwards, Hansen,
Campbell, Miller, Schneider, Hellinghausen, and Torres.

MINUTES: Approved as printed and corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance as of January is \$3507.17.

LEGISLATIVE GUIDES: Will be ordered for each League member.
Contributors to the League will also receive a copy.

LEGISLATIVE DAYS: Nicholson, Drew, Keasler, and Schneider will
attend. Nicholson moved that \$50.00 be given to each one to
help with expenses. Edward seconded, motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nicholson announced that she will be speaking to
the Home Extention Club on February 22. She was contacted by
the Downtown Lions Club and asked if the League would be
interested in participating in the upcoming Forth of July
celebration. Nicholson suggested that it would be nice if some
of our members would serve as monitors at the school board
meetings. Members could also serve as greeters at the city
council meetings. She reminded the board about the State
Convention on April 14-16.

MEETINGS: February 16, members will be deputized by Betty Calvert.
Donahue plans to finalize the educational study, in order to be
ready for consensus in March.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Sartain reported that the county government
update is well under way. She mailed out questionnaires and was
pleased with the positive response. Sartain motioned to
request \$500.00 from the education fund to pay for the booklet.
The motion was seconded by Schneider, motion passed.

Hellinghausen will order the following publications: State We
Support, League Women Voters Great Ideas for Today, League
Women Voters Great Ideas through the Years.

Smith reported that the membership booklet would be corrected
and updated. She announced that the funds allocated for
membership were exhausted. She moved that contingency funds be
applied and used for membership for the remainder of this year.
Schneider seconded this motion, and \$75.00 were allocated to be
used for membership, and \$50.00 for special meetings.
Board will expand the amount allocated for membership, for next
years budget.

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SEP 1 1989

League of Women Voters, Midland, Texas
January 3, 1989

PRESENT: Nicholson, Stanley, Campbell, Edwards, Schneider, Hansen,
Smith, and Torres.

MINUTES: November approved as circulated.

TREASURER'S REPORT: October balance \$3077.64, education fund
\$683.52, November balance \$3037.59, December balance \$3067.59
and education fund \$669.52.

PROGRAM: Tina Campbell will assume the position of Program Vice-
President (replace Dee Ann Johnson). Caroline Miller will
take over Campbell's public relations position on the board.
Joyce Aguirre will be the League's Legislative representative.

EDUCATION PANEL MEETING: Had been cancelled due to bad weather. The
meeting will be held on January 12, at the home of Pat
Schneider.

CALENDAR: January 12, Education Panel Meeting
January 31, board meeting
February 16, county up-date
February 28, board meeting
March 16, unit meeting
April 4, board meeting
April 20, unit meeting

MEMBERSHIP: Smith reported the League has approximately 45 members.

COUNTY BOOKLET UP-DATE: Sartain will continue to complete this
project.

LEGISLATIVE INTERVIEWS: Schneider gave a pleasant report on the
results of her interviews with Tom Craddick and Gary
Watkins.

LEGISLATIVE DAYS: In Austin on February 13-14 will be attended by
Nicholson, Drew, and Schneider.

VOTER: Penick regretfully announced that she would not be able to
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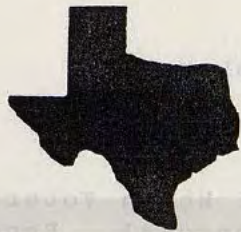
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND
MEMBERSHIP LIST
NOVEMBER 1987

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Bishop, Barbara
Brim, Debra
Carpenter, Lois
Cassin, Nancy
Chandler, Naomi
Christopher, Deborah
Donahue, Catherine
Douglas, Mary Ann
Drew, Sylvia and
LeGrand, Greg
Edwards, Susan
Gould, Evelyn
Greth, Mary
Hansen, Flo
Hellinghausen, Marge
Johnson, Dee Ann
King, Mary Jo
Nichols, Susan
Nicholson, Karen
Penick, Carla
Redfern, Rosalind
Sartain, Billie & Stan
Smith, Ann
Stanley, Pat
Torres, Brune



ATTENTION!!

CHANGES IN ELECTIONS TO BEGIN IN 1988

AS A RESULT OF TEXAS' PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

| | CURRENTLY | 1988 and after |
|--|---|--|
| PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY | Held at discretion of party. First Saturday in May | Second Tuesday in March |
| FILING DEADLINE FOR GENERAL PRIMARY | First Monday in February | January 2 |
| GENERAL PRIMARY | First Saturday in May | Second Tuesday in March |
| GENERAL PRIMARY RUNOFF | First Saturday in June | Second Tuesday in April |
| FILING DEADLINE FOR LOCAL ELECTIONS | 45 days before | days before |
| LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD IN APRIL | First Saturday in April | First Saturday in May unless local political sub- division chooses: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Third Saturday in January (declare by 9/10/87)• Second Saturday in August (declare by 11/7/87)• First Tuesday after first Monday in November, allowed only in odd- numbered years (declare by 11/7/87) |
| RUNOFF FOR LOCAL ELECTION IN MAY | | Last or next-to-last Saturday in May (local option) |

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MEMBERSHIP 1984-85

Armour, Rebecca

Audette, Sister Mary Jean

Bishop, Barbara

Bolden, Barbara

Campbell, Tina

Carpenter, Lois

Cassin, Nancy

Chandler, Naomi

Countryman, Cheri

Drew, Sylvia G.

Edwards, Susan G.

Erskine, Midge

Goff, Ann M.

Gould, Evelyn

Hansen, Flo

Hellinghausen, Marge

Hintermaier, Mary J.

Hoff, Ruth

Jones, Sallie B.

King, Mary Jo

Long, Kaye

Morales, Celia

~~Peetz, Helen~~

(Odessa)

MEMBERSHIP (continued)

Phillips, Wanda L.

Piwetz, Eileen

Redfern, Rosalind

Rosebery, Charlene

Rulla, Mary

Rust, Ethel Matthews

Sartain, Billie D.

Sartain, Stanley

Stoddard, Nancy

Stanley, Pat

Stoddard, Junia

Torres, Brune

Welch, Eileen

Wetendorf, Lois S.

Yost, Donna

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ADDITIONAL NAMES:

Betty Pickard

KAREN LINGEN

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FROM: LWV of MIDLAND TX TX 109 JAN. 4, 1985
 (State) (Local LWV Code Number) (Date)

NEW MEMBERS

| LAST NAME, FIRST NAME | TITLE | STREET ADDRESS | CITY | ST | ZIP |
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CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND/OR NAME (Mark "T" if member has transferred into your League.)

| LAST NAME, FIRST NAME | TITLE | STREET ADDRESS | CITY | ST | ZIP |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------------|---------|----|-----|
| New 01d AUDETTE, MARY JEAN SR. | SR. | | MIDLAND | TX | |
| New 01d BISHOP, BARBARA MS. | MS. | | MIDLAND | TX | |
| New 01d COUNTRYMAN, CHERI MRS. | MRS. | | MIDLAND | TX | |
| New 01d EDWARDS, SUE MS. | MS. | | MIDLAND | TX | |
| New 01d BALLIE B. JONES MS. | MS. | | MIDLAND | TX | |

DROPS

| LAST NAME, FIRST NAME | TITLE | ZIP | D | M | Check "D" if member is deceased. | Check "M" if member has moved out of your League's community. |
|-----------------------|-------|-----|---|---|----------------------------------|---|
| CAMPBELL, TINA | MRS. | | | ✓ | | |
| GOFF, ANN | MRS. | | | | | |
| PEETZ, HELEN | MRS. | | | | | |
| PHILLIPS, WANDA | MRS. | | | | | |
| SEE, CAROLYN | MRS. | | | ✓ | | |
| SHEELER, J. R. | MRS. | | | | | |
| PIWETZ, EILEEN | MRS. | | | | | |
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Bishop, Barbara

Bolden, Barbara

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Drew, Sylvia G.

Edwards, Susan G.

Erskine, Midge

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Hellinghausen, Marge

Hintermaier, Mary J.

Hoff, Ruth

Jones, Sallie B.

King, Mary Jo

Kullman, Charlene A.

O'Leary, Ann

Peetz, Helen

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MEMBERSHIP (continued)

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Torres, Brune

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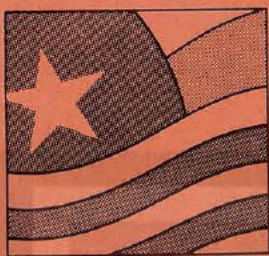
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ADDITIONAL NAMES:

JAN 29 1985



LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS of MIDLAND

P. O. Box 7437 • Midland, Texas 79703
685-0564

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LEAGUE PRESIDENT

PAT STANLEY
[REDACTED]



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1984-85

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| President | Pat Stanley |
| Secretary | Brune Torres |
| Treasurer | Barbara Bolden |
| Natural Resources | Midge Erskine |
| Membership | Kaye Long |
| Publications | Mary Hintermaier |
| Public Relations | Mary Jo King |
| Units & Intestacy | Sylvia Drew |
| Voter Editor | Billie Sartain |
| (Off-Board) | |
| Battered Women Study | Charlene Roseberry |

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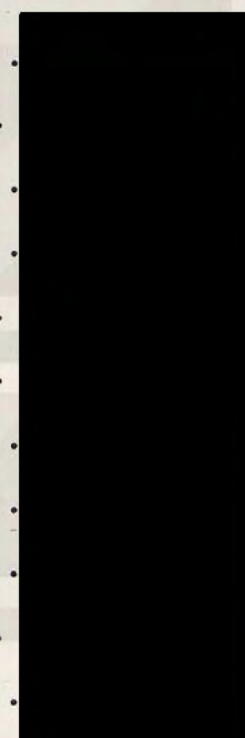
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REFERENCE NUMBERS

U.S. Senator Lloyd Bentsen, Washington, D.C.
U.S. Senator Phil Gramm, Washington, D.C. is time
U.S. Representative Tom Loeffler, Washington, D.C.
Texas Secretary of State
State Senator Bill Sims, San Angelo
State Representative Tom Craddick
City Offices
County Offices
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Independent School District
Midland College



COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

The Midland League bylaws provide for the number of Board members. There are five officers:

President
First Vice President
Second Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

The number of directors depends on the size of the League. There is a current bylaw provision of six elected directors and a like number of directors who may be appointed by the Board. In order that the democratic control of the Board will remain in the hands of the members with their power to elect, the number of appointed directors should never exceed the number of elected directors. The Board makes appointments only in the number needed.

The President is the administrative officer of the League. All other members of the Board, including the Vice Presidents, take on specific duties. No matter how valuable a Board member may be to the Board in an advisory capacity, she must expect to take on specific responsibilities; the size of the League Boards and the number of jobs to be done require it.

The elected members of the Board, except the President, Secretary and Treasurer, upon whom certain obligations are placed by virtue of their office, are nominated by the Nominating Committee as the League leaders without specific work assignments. The provision for appointed directors makes it possible for the Board to call upon members for leadership roles related to their particular talents or experience. Work assignments are determined by the Board itself upon its organization, usually immediately after the Annual Meeting.

There are no "major" or "minor" jobs on the Board. Each year the work assignments are made not only in relationship to that particular year's work but also to the abilities, talents, experience, and interest of the members of that year's Board.

PRESIDENT:

The President is the chief EXECUTIVE officer of the local League. Through the Board she sees to it that the Program and activities decided upon by the membership are carried out. In her role as Executive, the President will need to have a wide knowledge of League PUBLICATIONS. And as LIAISON between the National Board and the local Board and between the state Board and the local

Board, she has a special responsibility to keep the Board and membership actively participating in state and national Program. The President PRESIDES at Board meetings and membership meetings and is responsible for the agendas for these. She is ex-officio member of all COMMITTEES established by the Board or in the bylaws, except the Nominating Committee. The President of the local League is the PERSONIFICATION of the League in the Community.

VICE PRESIDENTS:

The Vice Presidents, in order of rank, shall act as President in the absence of the President. In the event of the President's resignation, she, in order of rank, shall serve in that capacity until the Board shall have selected a successor. In addition, Vice Presidents have a definite work assignment. In the Midland League, First Vice President is Program Vice President and the Second Vice President is Organizational Vice President.

SECRETARY:

The Secretary is responsible for the minutes of Board meetings, any general membership meetings at which business is discussed, and the Annual Meeting. She is also responsible for forwarding to the Board members the agenda prepared by the President and may be requested to help the President with correspondence.

TREASURER:

The Treasurer is the administrator of the budget and the custodian of the League funds. It is her duty to see that the budget serves the purpose for which the money was budgeted. She deposits funds in the bank and pays all bills provided for in the approved budget. The Treasurer makes a cash report to the Board at each meeting. She is a member of the Budget Committee but not its chairman. A membership count to the national office of total number of paid-up voting members in her local League is due as of January 1 of each year and a card file is kept of dues paid by the membership. It is her responsibility to send names, addresses or changes to all Board mailing lists.



MIDLAND LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS' VOUCHER

BUDGET ITEM

AMOUNT

IN KIND
(Hrs. and/or \$'s)

NAME: _____

DATE: _____



LOCAL PROGRAM

WE SUPPORT:

1. HOUSING

- A. Increased supply of low cost housing.
- B. Alternative types of housing construction.
- C. Flexibility of zoning.
- D. Housing assistance plan.
- E. Continuous review by the city council of proposed housing developments.
- F. The activation of a Housing Standards Board of Code Enforcement, as provided in the City Charter.

2. SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS

- A. Single member district election of majority of city council members.
- B. At-large election of the mayor.
- C. At-large election of minority of city council members.
- D. Addition of one and not more than two members to the city council.
- E. Creation of five or more single member districts to coincide with boundaries defined by LWV map of reasonable variation.

3. SCHOOLS

- A. Increased availability of counseling for all MISD students.
- B. Remedial and summer school programs at minimal or no cost to students.
- C. Use of the local property tax as a source of funds for local enrichment.
- D. Positive leadership from the school board.
- E. Provision of adequate physical facilities.
- F. Programs to promote academic excellence and career development.
- G. Specifically: Provision of supportive library facilities for all students.
- H. Expansion of programs which emphasize individual and follow-up counseling in career education, specifically:
 - 1. Medical careers
 - 2. Building trades
 - 3. Industrial arts
 - 4. Vocational agriculture



4. LEGAL AID

A. Provision of legal aid services in Midland.

5. SCHOOL INTEGRATION - STATEMENT OF POSITION:

The League of Women Voters believes that a quality integrated school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district;

that school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership favoring quality integration is provided by school trustees, government officials and organizations; and that careful attention must be given to excellence of faculty and the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

6. REVENUE SHARING

- A. Greater citizen participation which must be promoted by local government.
- B. More effective use of revenue sharing funds by assigning a higher priority to much needed community social services

7. COUNTY GOVERNMENT OVERVIEW

8. (EMERGENCY ADOPTION) DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

The Midland League of Women Voters believes

that the decision to participate in the FEMA crisis relocation plan should be made by joint session of the city council and county commissioners' court, with periodic review;

that a public hearing, with two weeks advance notice, should precede the joint session;

that Midland should continue to employ a part time emergency management coordinator;

that expenses for the coordinator should be met by the city and county, with supplementary state and/or federal funds if available;

that a warning system should include all available warning systems, the major one being an alarm system that blankets the city;

that the cost of the alert system should be borne jointly by city and county, with supplementary state and/or federal funds if available;

that the validity of the plan should be determined by a county-wide annual drill;

that the plan should be reviewed and updated annually (following drill) by city and county jointly.

League position of evaluation of Midland's plan is deferred until the revised, updated plan is available for study.



LOCAL POLICY SHEET

In addition to the policies set forth in the State and National By-Laws of the League of Women Voters, the League of Women Voters of Midland, Texas, adheres to the following policies:

NONPARTISANSHIP

BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Before accepting appointment to any public governmental committee or commission, the Board member must notify the Board of Directors and/or the President.
 - a. A Board member must resign from the Board before announcing candidacy for an elective public office in time for the Board first to make public announcement of the resignation. This resignation shall extend until the next Annual Meeting, or until such time as the Board shall decide.
3. A Board member may speak publicly for the League only on issues on which the League has a position.
4. A Board member, except the President, may attend a caucus, political rally, convention (as delegate), or coffee. A Board member's name should not appear on a contributor's list, nor should she install yard signs. Contributions should be made only when a candidate is unopposed in an off-year election.
5. Board members may attend administrative meetings of city, county or schools as private citizens. However, they may not speak in the name of the League.
6. The President shall at all times speak for the League unless the President specifically designated another for a particular time and purpose.
7. The President, or someone designated by the President, shall examine every press and radio release and every speech made in the name of the League, to make sure that the careless use of a word or phrase does not impart a partisan slant.
8. Any official letter from the League must be approved by the President.

NON-BOARD MEMBERS:

1. All non-board members are urged to take an active part in party politics, work for candidates of their choice, etc. There are, however, two restrictions:

A. They may not speak in the name of the League.

B. They may not serve as an election official when the League is supporting or opposing an issue of the election except when such League member was well identified as an election official before becoming a League member.

2. Members are encouraged to attend any and all administrative meetings of the county, city and school where they may ask questions and participate as private citizens.

OBSERVER CORPS

Any member attending a public meeting as an official League Observer will act as a reporter only. Observers should be specifically identified by a badge or name tag.

FINANCE

No contributions are sought or accepted from anyone who is currently seeking or holding public office.

VOTER SERVICE

The Midland League of Women Voters provides Voters' Guides to every eligible voter in Midland County when possible.

Voter Service/Citizen Information and Program Action should be handled separately and by different board members when possible.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Annually all members should attend a membership orientation meeting.

2. Dues are due September 1. All new members shall be assessed $\frac{1}{2}$ the amount of dues from January 1 to May 1. After May 1, $\frac{1}{2}$ the amount of dues shall be charged any new members.

GIFTS

It is not the policy of the League to bestow gifts of appreciation for any service rendered by a League member or non-member.

ROSTER

The League roster shall not be given to any person or organization without the consent of the Board of Directors. This policy sheet shall be re-evaluated by each incoming Board of Directors.



CONSENSUS

The word "consensus" sometimes seems to take on mysterious jargon aspects in the mouth of a League member, accompanied by a look of delight, or anguish, if it is also "consensus-taking time."

The League's meaning of consensus is the same as the dictionary meaning: "collective opinion, or concord; general agreement or accord," but in the League's case, referring specifically to member agreement. The jargon aspects of the term come from the League's use of the word to refer both to the overall decision-making process by which substantial member agreement is reached and to the specific techniques traditionally used by the League, such as unit meetings, to discuss and arrive at conclusions.

Since the League acts only after members have agreed in broad terms what they think about various aspects of an issue, consensus is a vital part of the League's existence. Members are provided an opportunity to become informed, then group discussion is the most frequently used technique for reaching consensus through the exchange of ideas and opinions. In this way, a "sense of the group" is reached. Nothing as inflexible as unanimity or even simple majority is demanded but rather the agreement that emerges from the give and take of group interaction.

Minority opinions also have an important place in consensus-making since what was a minority opinion among one group of Leaguers may have majority support elsewhere. Every effort is made to report which aspects of an issue were opposed as well as those which were supported. And sometimes the only agreement is that there is no agreement. The opinions expressed in each unit are consolidated at the local level by the Board, then forwarded to the state office for further consolidation with reports from all other Leagues before the final consensus emerges. At this point a League position is reached and the resources of the League are mobilized for ACTION.

Revised March, 1967.
Amended 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973,
1974, 1974, 1976, 1978, 1980.

BY-LAWS

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

ARTICLE I

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the League of Women Voters of Midland. This local League is an integral part of the League of Women Voters of the United States and of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

ARTICLE II

Purpose and Policy

Sec. 1. Purpose: The purpose of the League of Women Voters of Midland is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

Sec. 2. Policy: The League shall not support or oppose any political party or candidate.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Sec. 1. Eligibility: Any person who subscribes to the purpose and policy of the League shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2. Types of Membership: The membership of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall be composed of voting members and associate members.

- a. Voting members shall be citizens of voting age enrolled in the League.
- b. Associate members shall be all other members.
- c. Life membership may be granted to any voting member of the League of Women Voters who attains 50 years as a member of the League of Women Voters of the United States. No further dues will be collected and all privileges will be retained as a voting member.

ARTICLE IV
Board of Directors

- Sec. 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the League, six elected Directors and not more than six appointed Directors. Three Directors shall be elected by the general membership at each Annual Meeting and shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successors have been elected and qualified. The elected members shall appoint such additional Directors, not exceeding six, as they deem necessary to carry on the work of the League. The terms of office of the appointed Directors shall be one year and the transfer of offices for both appointed and elected officers and directors shall take place at the first board meeting following the Annual Meeting. The six elected Directors shall be designated by place: Places 1, 2, and 3 to be elected in even numbered years; places 4, 5 and 6 in odd numbered years.
- Sec. 2. Qualifications: No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer or director of this organization unless that person is a voting member of the League of Women Voters of Midland.
- Sec. 3. Vacancies: Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors by reason of resignation, death or disqualification of an officer or elected member may be filled, until the next annual meeting, by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors. Three (3) consecutive absences from a board meeting by any member without a valid reason shall be deemed a resignation.
- Sec. 4. Power and Duties: The Board of Directors shall have full charge of the property and business of the organization, with full power and authority to manage and conduct same, subject to the instructions of the general membership. It shall plan and direct the work necessary to carry out the program as adopted by the National Convention, the State Convention and the Annual Meeting. The Board shall create and designate such special committees as it may deem necessary.
- Sec. 5. Meetings: There shall be at least five (5) regular meetings of the Board of Directors annually. The President may call special meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall call a special meeting upon the request of five (5) members of the Board.
- Sec. 6. Quorum: A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V
Officers

- Sec. 1. Enumeration and Election of Officers: The Officers shall be a President, a 1st Vice President, a 2nd Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by the general membership at an Annual Meeting and take office at the first Board meeting following the election. All offices shall be elected for terms of two years, the President, the 1st Vice President and the Secretary shall be elected in odd-numbered years. The 2nd Vice President and the Treasurer shall be elected in even-numbered years.
- Sec. 2. The President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization and the Board of Directors. The President may be, ex-officio, a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall have such usual powers of supervision and management as may pertain to the office of the President and perform such duties as designated by the Board.
- Sec. 3. The Vice-Presidents: The Vice-Presidents shall perform such duties as the President and the Board may designate.
- Sec. 4. The Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of all business meetings of the League and of all meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall notify all Officers and Directors of their election. The Secretary shall sign, with the President, all contracts and other instruments when so authorized by the Board and shall perform such other functions as may be incident to her office.
- Sec. 5. The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect and receive all monies due. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of these monies, shall deposit them in a bank designated by the Board of Directors, and shall disburse the same only upon the orders of the Board. All checks must be countersigned by the President, except that in the absence or disability of the Treasurer or President, the Secretary should be the co-signer. The Treasurer shall present statements to the Board at their regular meetings and an Annual Report to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VI
Financial Administration

- Sec. 1. Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall commence on the first day of April in each year.

Sec. 2. Dues: Dues shall be computed annually with a recommendation of amount by the Board and voted upon by the membership at each Annual Meeting. Annual dues shall be payable September 1. Any member who fails to pay dues by October 31 shall be dropped from the membership rolls.

Sec. 3. Budget: A budget for the ensuing year shall be submitted by the Board of Directors to the Annual meeting for adoption. The budget shall include support for the work of the League as a whole.

Sec. 4. Budget Committee: A Budget Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at least three (3) months prior to the Annual Meeting to prepare a budget for the ensuing year. The proposed budget shall be sent to all members at least one month before the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer shall not be eligible to serve as chairman of the Budget Committee.

ARTICLE VII Meetings

Sec. 1. Membership Meetings: There shall be at least five meetings of membership each year. Time and place shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. Annual Meeting: Annual Meeting shall be held in the spring prior to National or State Conventions if possible, the exact date to be determined by the Board of Directors. The Annual Meeting shall:

- a. Adopt a local program for the ensuing year.
- b. Elect officers and directors, and members of the Nominating Committee.
- c. Adopt an adequate budget.
- d. Transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Sec. 3. Quorum: Ten (10) percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the League of Women Voters of Midland.

ARTICLE VIII Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members. The Chairman and two members, who shall not be members of the Board, shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

Nominations for these positions shall be made by the current Nominating Committee. The two remaining members shall be Board members and appointed by the Board of Directors immediately following the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 2. Report of Nominating Committee and Nominations from the Floor: Suggestions for nominations for officers and directors may be sent to this committee by any voting member. The report of the Nominating Committee of its nominations for officers and directors, and the members of the succeeding nominating committee shall be sent to all members one month before the date of the Annual Meeting. The report of the Nominating Committee shall be presented to the Annual Meeting. Immediately following the presentation of this report, nominations may be made from the floor by any voting member provided the consent of the nominee shall have been secured.

Sec. 3. Elections: The election shall be by ballot, except that when there is but one nominee for an office, the Secretary may be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for each office. A majority vote of those qualified to vote and voting shall constitute an election. Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted.

ARTICLE IX Program

Sec.1. Authorization: The governmental principles adopted by the National convention and supported by the League as a whole, constitute the authorization for the adoption of Program.

Sec. 2. Program Selection: The program of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall consist of: a) action to implement the Principles of the League of Women Voters of the United States, and b) those local governmental issues chosen by the membership for concerted study and action, using the following procedures:

- a. Voting members shall submit to the Board of Directors recommendations for local program two months prior to the Annual Meeting.
- b. The Board of Directors shall formulate a proposed program which shall be sent to all members one month before the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 3. Procedures for Adoption of Program:

- a. The Board of Directors shall consider the recommendations sent in by the voting members two months prior to the annual

meeting and shall formulate a proposed program.

- b. The proposed program shall be sent to all members one month before the Annual Meeting.
- c. A majority vote of members present and voting at the Annual Meeting shall be required for adoption of subjects in the proposed program as presented to the Annual Meeting by the Board of Directors.
- d. Recommendations for program submitted by voting members two months prior to the Annual Meeting but not recommended by the Board of Directors may be adopted by the Annual Meeting provided that:
 - 1) The Annual Meeting shall order consideration by a majority vote, and
 - 2) The annual meeting shall adopt the item by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.
- e. Changes in the program, in the case of altered conditions, may be made provided that:
 - 1) Information concerning the proposed change has been sent to all members at least two weeks prior to a general membership meeting at which the change is to be discussed.
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Sec. 4. Member Action: Members may act in the name of the League of Women Voters only when authorized to do so by the proper Board of Directors. They may act only in conformity with, and not contrary to, a position taken by the League of Women Voters of Midland, the League of Women Voters of Texas, and the League of Women Voters of the United States.

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ARTICLE X

National Convention, State Convention and Council

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ARTICLE XI

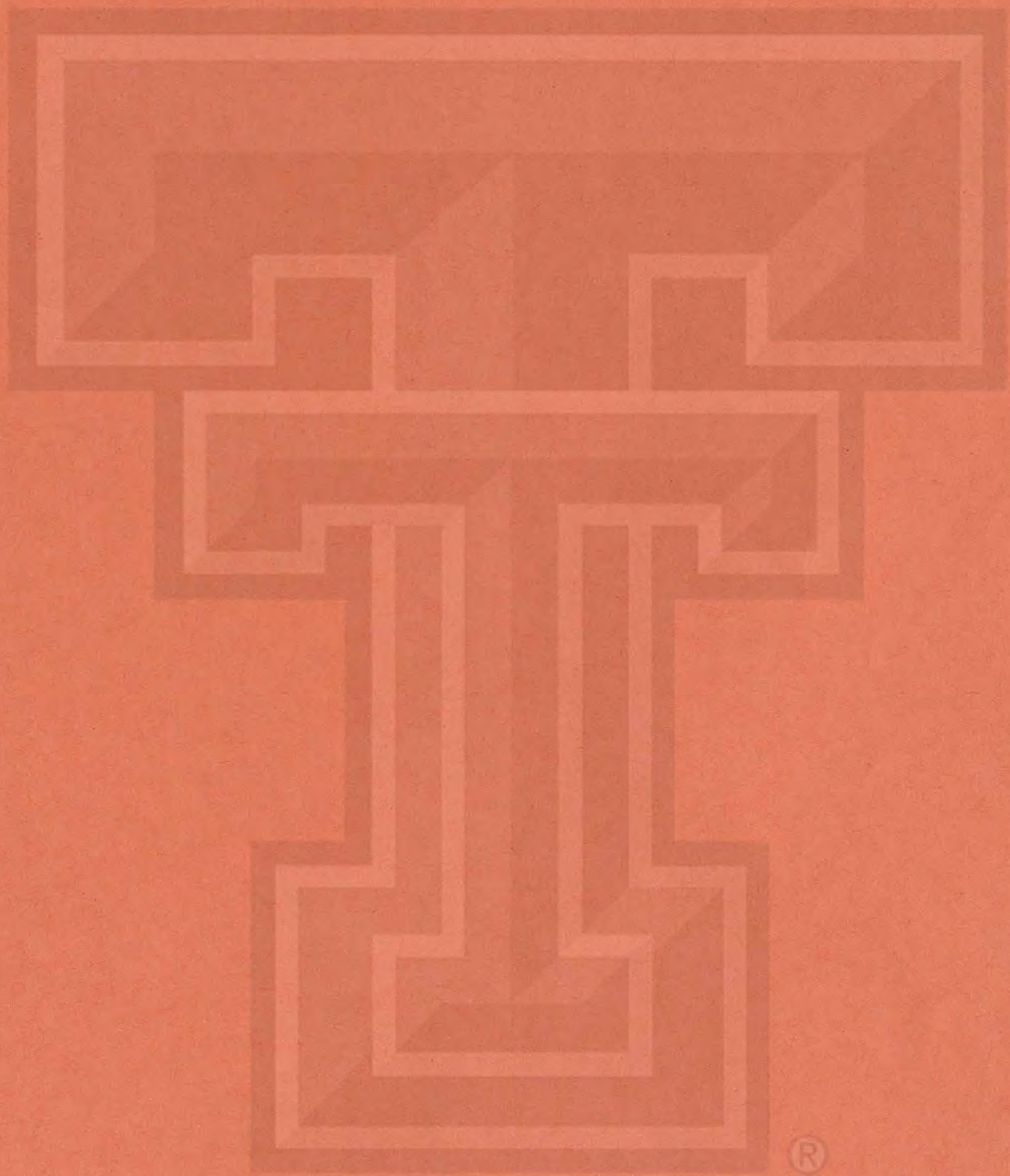
Parliamentary Authority

- Sec. 1. Parliamentary Authority: The rules contained in the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XII

Amendments

- Sec. 1. Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at the Annual Meeting, provided the amendments were submitted to the membership in writing at least one month in advance of the meeting.



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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF MIDLAND

1977 -- 1978

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ROSTER

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MEETINGS

DAY UNITS meet 1st and 3rd THURSDAYS at 9:30 A.M.

NIGHT UNITS meet 2nd and 4th MONDAYS at 8:00 P.M.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1977 - 1978

OFFICERS

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Mrs. W. T. Porter | President |
| Ms. Diane Rhoden | First Vice-President |
| Mrs. Lynwood Watts | Second Vice-President |
| Mrs. Melvin Dunn | Secretary |
| Mrs. James Ingram | Treasurer |

DIRECTORS

| | | | |
|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Place 1 | Mrs. Hugh Schmidt | Urban Crisis | |
| Place 2 | Mrs. Frank Samponaro | Voters Service | |
| Place 3 | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | Environmental Quality | |
| Place 4 | Mrs. Roger Olien | Publications | |
| Place 5 | Dr. Geraldine Box | Legislative & Bylaws | Home: Office: |
| Place 6 | Mrs. Kelly Bell | Membership | |

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

| | |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Mrs. John Billingsley | Voter |
| Mrs. Norman Gould | Observer Corps |
| Mrs. Rohland Reider | Public Relations |
| Mrs. John Swendig | Voting Rights |
| Mrs. Gail Stoddard | Finance |
| Mrs. James Sheeler | Human Resources |
| Mrs. George Keys | Nominating |
| Mrs. Donald Schafferina | Budget |
| Mrs. W. S. Fisher | Bylaws |



CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

Remember to Pay Your Dues This Month. Dues: \$15/yr. Subscrip. Ser. \$5 Treas: Pat Ingram
2803 Auburn
12 Membership Coffee 8:00 p.m.
15 Membership Coffee 9:30 a.m.
19 BOARD MEETING 7:00-9:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ALL BOARD MEETINGS
26 Unit Orientation 8:00 p.m.
29 Unit Orientation 9:30 a.m.

OCTOBER

Constitutional Amendment Voter Registration closes Oct. 7.
Absentee voting Oct. 19-Nov. 4.
General Election Nov. 8.
6 Unit (Housing) 9:30 a.m.
followed by luncheon
10 Unit (Housing) 8:00 p.m.
17 BOARD MEETING
18 VOTER DEADLINE
20 Unit (Housing) 9:30 a.m.
24 Unit (Housing) 8:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3 Unit (Energy) 9:30 a.m.
14 Unit (Energy) 7:00 p.m.
17 Unit (Energy) 9:30 a.m.
21 BOARD MEETING
22 VOTER DEADLINE
28 Unit (Energy) 8:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

1 Unit (National Program Making)
9:30 a.m. followed by luncheon
5 Unit (National Program Making)
8:00 p.m. (Snacks & Goodies
for the waist line!)
12 BOARD MEETING

JANUARY

5 Unit (Income Assistance) 9:30 a.m.
followed by luncheon
9 Unit (Income Assistance) 8:00 p.m.
16 BOARD MEETING
17 VOTER DEADLINE
19 Unit 9:30 a.m.
23 Unit 8:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

2 Unit (Local Program) 9:30 a.m.
followed by luncheon
13 Unit (Local Program) 8:00 p.m.
16 Unit (Finance Drive) 9:30 a.m.
20 BOARD MEETING
21 VOTER DEADLINE
27 Unit (Finance Drive) 8:00 p.m.

MARCH

2 Unit (Tex. Water Plan) 9:30 a.m.
followed by luncheon
13 Unit (Tex. Water Plan) 8:00 p.m.
16 CANDIDATES RALLY
20 BOARD MEETING
21 VOTER DEADLINE
27 CANDIDATES RALLY

APRIL

6 Unit (Urban Crisis) 9:30 a.m.
followed by luncheon
10 Unit (Urban Crisis) 8:00 p.m.
17 BOARD MEETING
18 VOTER DEADLINE
20 Unit (Urban Crisis) 9:30 a.m.
24 Unit (Urban Crisis) 8:00 p.m.

MAY

ANNUAL MEETING



MIDLAND LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

LOCAL POLICY SHEET

In addition to the policies set forth in the State and National By-Laws of the League of Women Voters, The League of Women Voters of Midland, Texas, adheres to the following policies:

NONPARTISANSHIP

BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Before accepting appointment to any public governmental committee or commission, the board member must notify the Board of Directors and/or the President.
2. A board member must resign from the board before announcing candidacy for an elective public office in time for the board first to make public announcement of the resignation.
3. If any member of the immediate family of a League board member becomes a candidate for elective office, or is appointed to an elective office, the board member must resign from the board.
4. The resignation required under #2 and #3 above, shall extend until the next Annual Meeting, or until such time as the board shall decide.
5. A board member should be especially careful in what is said, weighing always what effect that speech may reflect on the nonpartisanship status of the League.
6. A board member, except the President, may attend a caucus, political rally or coffee. A board member's name may not appear on a contributor's list for a candidate.
7. Board members may attend administrative meetings of city, county, or schools as private citizens. However, they may not speak in the name of the League.
8. The President shall at all times speak for the League unless the President specifically designated another for a particular time and purpose.
9. The President, or someone designated by the President, shall examine every press and radio release and every speech made in the name of the League, to make sure that the careless use of a word or phrase does not impart a partisan slant.
10. Any official letter from the League must be signed by the President.

NON-BOARD MEMBERS:

1. All non-board members are urged to take an active part in party politics, to work for candidates of their choice, etc. However, there are two restrictions:
 - a) They may not speak in the name of the League.
 - b) They may not serve as an election official when the League is supporting or opposing an issue of the election except when such League member was well identified as an election official before becoming a League member.

LOCAL POLICY SHEET - Continued

2. Members are encouraged to attend any and all administrative meetings of the county, city and school, where they may ask questions and participate as private citizens.

OBSERVER CORPS

Any member attending a public meeting as an official League Observer will act as a reporter only. Observers should be specifically identified by a badge or name tag.

FINANCE

No contributions are sought or accepted from anyone who is currently seeking or holding public office.

VOTERS SERVICE

The Midland League of Women Voters provides Voters Guides to every eligible voter in Midland County when possible.

MEMBERSHIP

1. All new members should attend during their first year:

- a) an orientation meeting
- b) an administrative meeting of the city, county or school.

2. Since dues are due September 1, all new members shall be assessed 1/2 the amount of dues from January 1 to May 1. After May 1, 1/4 the amount of dues shall be charged any new member.

GIFTS

It is not the policy of the League to bestow gifts of appreciation for any service rendered by a League member or non-member.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND
PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM
1977-1978

1. HOUSING. Support:
 - a. increased supply of housing in the low to moderate income brackets,
 - b. a housing assistance plan,
 - c. alternative types of housing construction,
 - d. flexibility of zoning,
 - e. periodic review of proposed developments by city council,
 - f. code enforcement.
2. SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS. Support:
 - a. single member district election of city council majority,
 - b. at-large election of mayor,
 - c. at-large election of city council minority,
 - d. addition of one and not more than two members to city council,
 - e. creation of five single member districts to coincide with boundaries defined by LWV map or some reasonable variations.
3. REVENUE SHARING. Support:
 - a. greater citizen participation which must be promoted by local government.
 - b. more effective use of revenue sharing funds by assigning a higher priority to much-needed community social services.
4. SCHOOLS. Support:
 - a. increased counseling,
 - b. remedial and summer school programs at minimum or no cost to students,
 - c. continuation of night courses for credit to allow graduation to drop-outs,
 - d. the use of the local property tax as a source for local enrichment,
 - e. the school board policy of setting the tax rate and notice of anticipated rate changes,
 - f. positive action by the school board to increase public awareness.
5. LEGAL AID. Support:

the concept of a legal aid clinic in Midland. ®

6. SCHOOL INTEGRATION - STATEMENT OF POSITION

The Midland League of Women Voters believes:
that a quality integrated public school system in Midland can best be achieved by the racial balancing of students in all public schools in the district;
that due to present housing patterns in Midland, the neighborhood school concept and school integration are not compatible;
that the entire school district should bear the inconvenience of school desegregation;
that integration of all schools could stabilize neighborhoods and prevent the white flight problem from growing;
that school integration can be made to succeed if positive leadership is provided by school trustees and administration, government officials and organizations favoring quality integration;
that programs must be developed to train teachers for integration;
and that careful attention must be given to the assignment of teachers in the integration of faculties.

7. OBSERVER CORPS. Support:
the possibility of observer corps reports.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND BUDGET
APRIL 1977 - MARCH 1978

INCOME

| | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|
| A. | DUES | 61 @ \$15.00 | \$ 915.00 | |
| B. | CONTRIBUTIONS | | | |
| | 1. Member | \$ 200.00 | | |
| | 2. Non-member | 1,639.50 | | |
| | 3. TEF | 100.00 | 1,939.50 | |
| C. | PUBLICATIONS | | | |
| | 1. Subs. Serv. | 41 @ \$5.00 | 205.00 | |
| D. | OTHER SERVICES | | 10.00 | |
| E. | IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS | | 1,000.00 | |
| F. | UNALLOCATED CASH RESERVE | | 336.00 | |
| TOTAL INCOME: | | | | <u>\$4,405.50</u> |

EXPENSES

| | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|
| A. | OPERATING COSTS | | | |
| | 1. Maintenance Equipment | | 10.00 | |
| | 2. General Supplies | | 15.00 | |
| | 3. Postage (except Voter) | | 100.00 | |
| | 4. Telephone | | 200.00 | |
| | 5. P.O. Box Rental | | 15.00 | 340.00 |
| B. | BOARD & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES | | | |
| | 1. President | | 25.00 | |
| | 2. Board Tools | | 200.00 | |
| | 3. Administrative Committees | | | |
| | a. Finance | \$75.00 | | |
| | b. Membership | 75.00 | | |
| | c. Public Relations | 25.00 | 175.00 | 400.00 |
| C. | DELEGATES TRAVEL | | | |
| | 1. State Convention 1977 | | 300.00 | |
| | 2. National Convention 1978 | | 200.00 | |
| | 3. Workshops | | 100.00 | 600.00 |
| D. | FINANCIAL SUPPORT | | | |
| | 1. National | | | |
| | a. PMP | 61 @ \$5.50 | 335.50 | |
| | 2. State | | | |
| | a. PMP | 61 @ \$3.00 | \$183.00 | |
| | b. Formula | 417.00 | 600.00 | 935.50 |
| E. | VOTER | | | |
| | 1. Supplies | \$250.00 | | |
| | 2. Postage | 150.00 | | 400.00 |
| F. | EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES | | | |
| | 1. Publications | | | |
| | a. S/S | 41 @ \$5.00 | \$205.00 | |
| | b. Production | | 200.00 | 405.00 |
| | 2. Program Committees | | | |
| | a. National | | 25.00 | |
| | b. State | | 25.00 | |
| | c. Local | | 75.00 | 125.00 |
| | 3. Voter Service | | | |
| | a. Voter Guides | | 50.00 | |
| | b. Other Services | | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| G. | POSITION SUPPORT | | | |
| | 1. Publications on League Positions | \$50.00 | | |
| | 2. Action Activities | 50.00 | | 100.00 |
| H. | IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS | | | <u>1,000.00</u> |
| TOTAL EXPENSES: | | | | <u>\$4,405.50</u> |

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MEMBERSHIP

people on Dec. printout who
are circled do not appear
in this

Bates, Joy (Mrs. Don B.)
✓ Bell, Ruth (Mrs. Kelly).
Billingsley, Sheila (Mrs. John).
✓ Box, Dr. Geraldine (Mrs. Marshall)
✓ Carpenter, Lois (Mrs. R. Ken).
Cassin, Nancy (Mrs. Richard J.).
✓ Clausen, Jane (Mrs. Julian).
✓ Coleman, Dr. Viola (Mrs. Raymond).
✓ Dunn, Mary B. (Mrs. Melvin).
Edwards, Susan (Mrs. Wayland).
✓ English, Sally (Mrs. Jack)
✓ Erskine, Midge (Mrs. Woody).
✓ Fisher, Marion (Mrs. W. S.).
✓ Flinn, Pat (Mrs. James).
✓ Sister Martha Ginaine.
✓ Gould, Evelyn (Mrs. Norman).
✓ Guyton, Sam (Mrs. Stephen)
Hedrick, Ada May (Mrs. O. F.).
✓ Hellinghausen, Marge (Mrs. Don).
✓ Hendricks, Essie Mae (Mrs. C. C.).
Hibbitts, Edna (Mrs. William M.)
✓ Hoff, Ruth (Mrs. David).
Holmes, Marian M.
✓ Ingram, Pat (Mrs. James)
Jimenez, Rita (Mrs. Mario A.).
✓ Keadle, Joyce (Mrs. Robert).
✓ Keys, Julie (Mrs. George).
✓ Kimberly, Marion (Mrs. John)
Kullman, Charlene (Mrs. John D.)

MEMBERSHIP - Continued

✓ Linehan, Katy (Mrs. Charles)
✓ McKinney, Willsie Lee.
✓ Magee, Elsie (Mrs. Mac).
✓ Nabi, Terry (Mrs. Hosni)
✓ Olien, Diana (Mrs. Roger).
✓ Porter, Mary (Mrs. W. T.).
✓ Redfern, Rosalind (Mrs. John J. Jr.)
✓ Reed, Georgia (Mrs. Joseph).
✓ Reider, Janet (Mrs. Rohland)
✓ Rhoden, Diane (Mrs. Mike).
Robinson, Gena
Roseberry, Charlene (Mrs. R. J.)

Rulla, Mary (Mrs. Lorin J.).
✓ Samponaro, Marsha (Mrs. Frank)
✓ Schaffrina, Linda (Mrs. Donald).

Schmidt, Judy (Mrs. Hugh).
✓ Sheeler, Betty (Mrs. J. R.).
✓ Smith, Jean.
✓ Spencer, Maria
✓ Stanley, Pat (Mrs. Herbert).
✓ Stoddard, Junia (Mrs. Gail).
✓ Swendig, Anne (Mrs. John).
Wallace, Carolyn (Mrs. Alvin T.)
Waters, Mary M. "Mickey" (Mrs. Michael).
Watson, Lois

✓ Watts, Shirley (Mrs. Lynwood).
✓ Welch, Eileen (Mrs. Charles)
✓ Wolf, Jane (Mrs. Dean)

Revised March, 1967
Amended: 1969, 1970
1972, 1973
1974, 1975
1976

BY-LAWS

League of Women Voters of Midland, Texas

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- a. Adopt a local program for the ensuing year.
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Sec. 1. Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members. The Chairman and two members, who shall not be members of the Board, shall be elected at the Annual meeting. Nominations for these positions shall be made by the current Nominating Committee. The two remaining members shall be Board members and appointed by the Board of Directors immediately following the Annual Meeting.

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National Convention, State Convention and Council

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Sec. 1. Parliamentary Authority: The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XII Amendments

Sec. 1. Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at the Annual meeting, provided the amendments were submitted to the membership in writing at least one month in advance of the meeting.

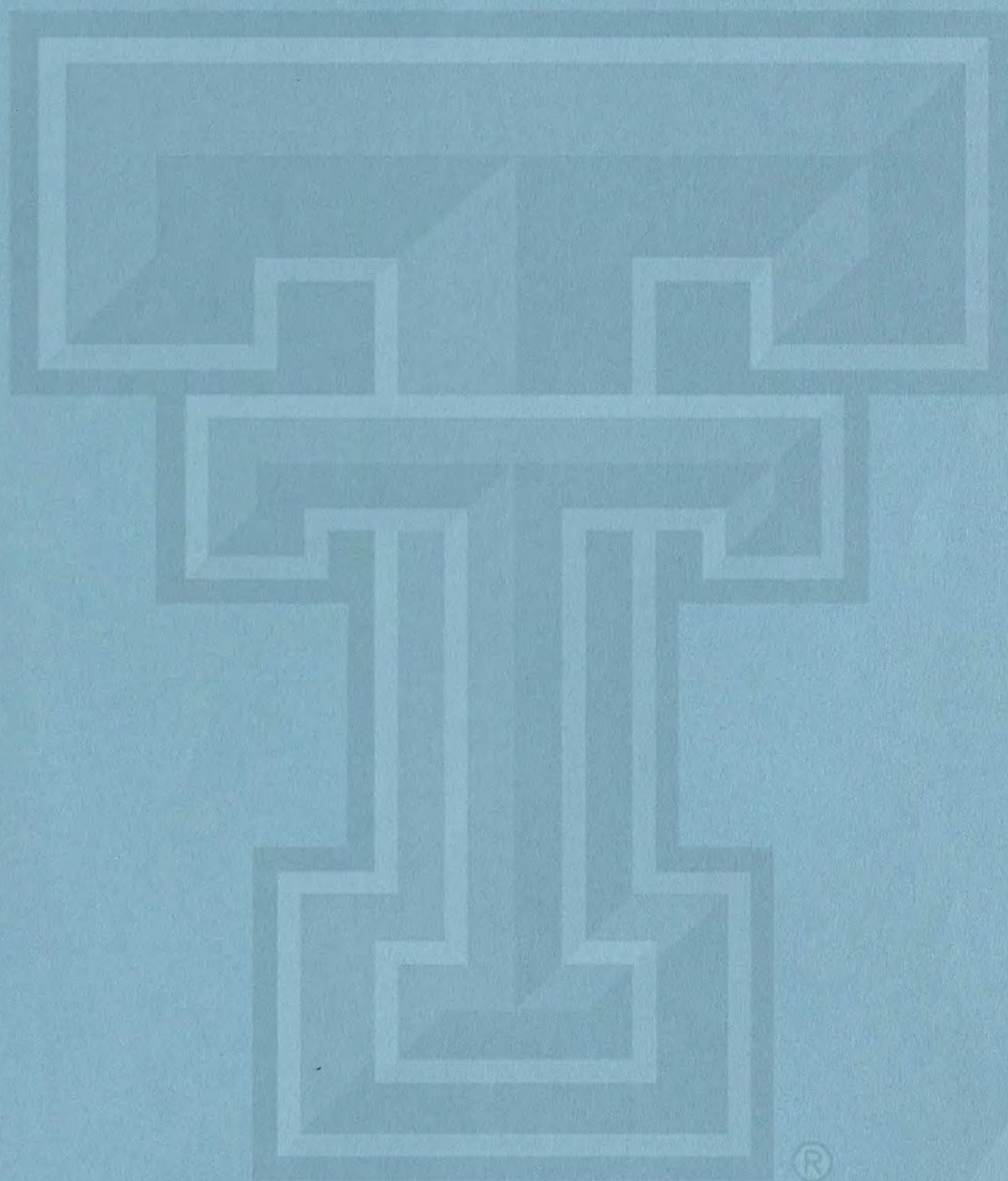
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November 23, 1987

Ms. Karen Nicholson
President, LWV-Midland
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Dear Karen:

Thanks for your letter of November 9. I did appreciate your sending copies of your VOTERS to the State Board as requested. In past years when Leagues voiced concerns about the costs involved in producing and mailing VOTERS to all of the recipients specified in the League Directory a compromise was reached. As long as three copies of your VOTER and minutes are sent to the State Office and one copy of the VOTER and minutes is mailed to the Field Service Representative (FSR), we will forego the request that VOTERS also be mailed to the other members of the state board. I hope that this special arrangement would be negotiated on a yearly basis rather than assuming the arrangement holds forever. After all, both the Midland League and the state board hope that LWV-Midland's budget will one day permit compliance with the requested distribution.

As for your other question about developing a local policy statement for LWV-Midland, here are some suggestions. The two pages from In League speak to the kinds of things that should be covered in a good policy guide. I thought you might also be interested in the policy guide for the Denton League; Denton is also a mid-sized League. I offer the Denton policy guide as a point of departure; as you can tell from the first page, the policy guide has not been changed in several years. It really should be considered yearly, or at least once every two years. I have editorialized in the margins about some of the entries.

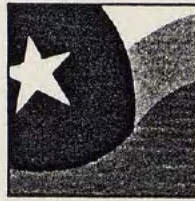
Hope this information will be helpful to you. Let me know if you need anything else (home address is [REDACTED]).

Sincerely,

Sondra Ferstl
Organization Vice President
League of Women Voters of Texas

✓cc:State Office

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May 21, 1987

Sylvia Drew, President
LWV-Midland
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Dear Sylvia,

What a nice treat to receive your contribution to the capital fund drive! We really appreciate your generosity. Congratulations also for the very clever thank you gift from your League to Lois. It must have taken a lot of time and effort to obtain so many letters and to find those old photos. We enjoyed seeing what she looked like with brown hair!

I also want to respond to your recent letter to the state board regarding the readoption of the Health Care for the Medically Indigent position at LWV-Texas Convention. If what I say here is not clear, please feel free to talk to me. The debate on this item was confusing, and I regret having added to the confusion by my comments. Perhaps the following will clarify what the position means.

Delegates eventually voted to retain the position as is, so the language in the Convention Workbook is our position for the next two years.

The consensus questions were deliberately designed to find out what members thought basic health care for the medically indigent should be. We did not ask members to consider funding because money will not always be as limited as it is now. In essence, we wanted to know what members thought was the right thing to do. The board feels the consensus reports conveyed that answer. A few Leagues wrote notes saying that they did consider funding, but their answers did not differ significantly from those who followed the directions. The list of basic services that appears in the position is not in intent a list of priorities. In effect, it shows which items Leagues most often considered basic, and there was clear consensus that each item on the list should be part of basic health care. The items at the top of the list were submitted by all or all but one League as basic services. The items at the bottom of the list were supported by at least two-thirds of the Leagues which participated in the consensus. (Items that had less

support, such as dental care, did not get listed at all because there was no clear indication of member agreement--no consensus--on them.)

As far as I know, it is not possible to revoke a concurrence or a consensus. Once the form has been submitted, the results become part of the consensus as a whole. Even if you ask us not to count your results, the position cannot change until delegates act on it at the next convention. (The board cannot change a position.) The agreement on HCMI was very clear, and a change of opinion from one League would not affect the outcome.

The bylaws (Article XI, Section 4) do not allow Leagues to act in opposition to a state or national position, even if a League did not agree with the results of the state or national consensus or concurrence. While Leagues may not act in opposition to a position, there is no way to force Leagues to act in support of a position. Sometimes Leagues respond to a request for action by telling the state or national office that they do not feel they can take the action requested. I hope you will continue to lobby for HCMI because the need is so great.

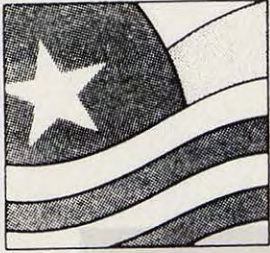
If a League wants to change a position, it must use the program adoption process to do so. If the Midland League does not like the HCMI position, you may recommend changing it when we go through the program adoption process that will begin in the fall of 1988 and culminate at Convention 89. To take this route to resolve your concern, your board would first have to recommend the change you wanted to the state board on your program planning report form. If the state board did not recommend your change, you could then bring it up at Convention as a not-recommended item. The October, 1986 Leaders Guide to State Program Planning outlines the process; the dates will not be applicable in 1988, but the substance of the process is not likely to change then.

If you have further questions about this issue, please let me know. If you want details about how we all can and do use the HCMI position, call Sally Coughlin, Health Care Director, [REDACTED]. Sometimes it is easiest to understand what a position means by applying it to real life opportunities for action, and Sally has had a lot of them during this legislative session.

Good luck to the Midland League this year!

Sincerely,

Diane Sheridan



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND

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To The Board -

The Midland delegation to State convention was very troubled over the consensus presented concerning Health care for the Medically Indigent. After reporting back to the Board (of Midland) these concerns, we have decided to redraw ~~of~~ our consensus. "Funding not with standing" played an important part in deciding how we responded to the consensus - also we did not prioritize the services we thought were needed - only checking the appropriate blanks.

These two factors have led us to believe our concurrence is not being used in the way we ~~were~~ intended our concurrence sheet to reflect. We therefore wish to revoke our concurrence sheet.

Sylvia Drew
pres. LWV/TX

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League of Women Voters of Midland, Texas

ARTICLE I

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the League of Women Voters of Midland. This local League is an integral part of the League of Women Voters of the United States and of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

ARTICLE II
Purpose and Policy

Sec. 1. Purpose: The purpose of the League of Women Voters of Midland is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

Sec. 2. Policy: The League shall not support or oppose any political party or any candidate.

ARTICLE III
Membership

Sec. 1. Eligibility: Any person who subscribes to the purpose and policy of the League shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2. Types of Membership: The membership of the League of Women Voters of Midland shall be composed of voting and associate members.

- a. Voting members shall be citizens of voting age.
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ARTICLE IV
Board of Directors

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- Sec. 2. Qualifications: No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer or director of this organization unless that person is a voting member of the League of Women Voters of Midland.
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Article V
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Sec. 2. No changes.

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Sec. 5. THE SECRETARY: No changes.

Sec. 6. THE TREASURER: No changes.

Explanation-Underlined portions reflect changes.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MIDLAND, TEXAS

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THIS BY-LAW CHANGE WAS APPROVED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN MARCH.
THE SECRETARY FAILED TO INCLUDE IT IN THE ANNUAL MEETING'S MINUTES.

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BY-LAW CHANGES

(DELETIONS IN PARENTHESES, NEW WORDING UNDERLINED)

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION I

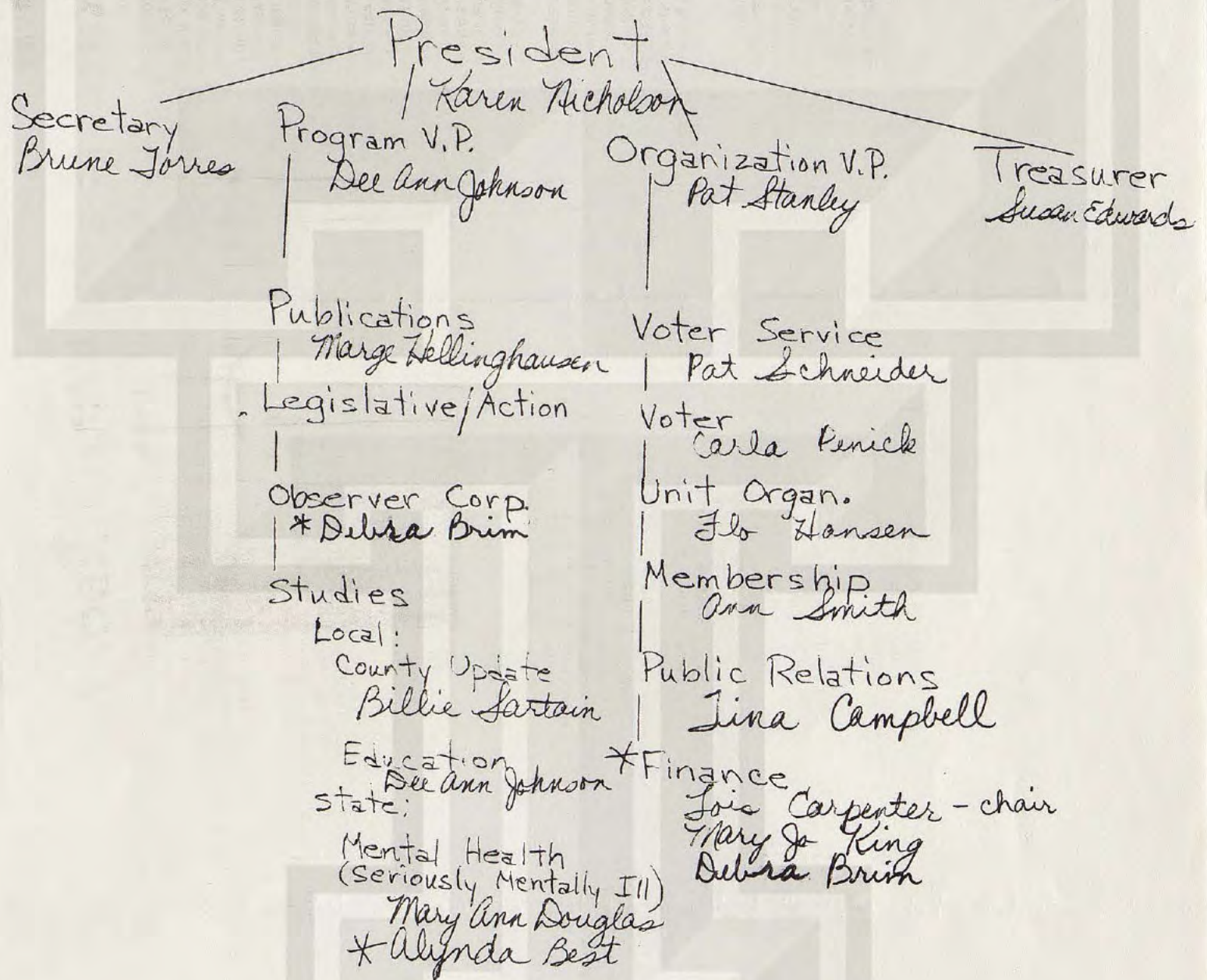
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PLACES 1, 2, & 3 to be elected in even years.
PLACES 4, 5, & 6 in odd years.



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Alynda Best
Catherine Donahue

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President's Packet

1983-84 LOCAL LEAGUE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND LOCAL PROGRAM

Please complete and return this form to the state office by May 15. If your board is not complete by that date, please inform the state office of later appointments.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Midland

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE: (☒) ; ()
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LOCAL LEAGUE ONGOING PHONE NUMBER (if applicable) ()

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Treasurer:

Naomi Chandler

Prog. VP:

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SECURITY

BETTY SHEELER

ELLEN PIEWITZ

BILLIE SARTAIN

NATURAL RESOURCES MIDGE ERSKINE

Legislative Chmn:

Org. VP:

~~2nd VP~~ Nancy Cassin

Membership:

BARBARA BOLDEN

Unit Org.:

SYLVIA DREW

Finance:

NANCY STAFFORD

Comm. Rel. VP:

VOTER:

BILLIE SARTAIN

- more -

Pub. Rel.:

MARY JO KING

Voters Service:

SUSAN EDWARDS

Publications:

EILEEN PIWETZ

Budget Chmn:

Nom. Com. Chmn:

TERRI TRENTAM

Bylaws Chmn:

Other

LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS: (e.g., School District Study, Mass Transit Study, etc.)

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1982=83 LOCAL LEAGUE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND LOCAL PROGRAM

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Midland

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

LOCAL LEAGUE OFFICE (if applicable) [REDACTED]
Address ZIP

LOCAL LEAGUE PHONE NUMBER (if applicable) [REDACTED]

PLEASE TYPE -- OR PRINT VERY LEGIBLY!!

| <u>PORTFOLIO</u> | <u>NAME (please use 1st name)</u> | <u>ADDRESS</u> | <u>ZIP</u> | <u>PHONE</u> |
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| President: | <u>Terri Trentham</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Secretary: | <u>Mary Jo King</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Treasurer: | <u>Naomi Chandler</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Prog. VP: | <u>Nancy Cassin</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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Items & Chmn:

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| <u>Nat'l Resources</u> | <u>Midge Erskine</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| <u>Human Resources</u> | <u>Fay Williams</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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Legislative Chmn:

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| Org. VP: | <u>Pat Stanley</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Membership: | <u>Charlotte Williamson</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Unit Organiz.: | <u>Carolyn Wallace</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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Finance:

Comm. Rel. VP:

VOTER:

Pub. Rel.:

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| <u>Sylvia Drew</u> | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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Voters Service: Susan Edwards

Publications: Cookie Wetendorf

Budget Chmn: Janet Pritchett

Nom. Com. Chmn: ✓

Bylaws Chmn: _____

Other

LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS: (e.g., School District Study, Mass Transit Study, etc.)

Disaster Preparedness

LWV of Texas
Council, 1980
Presidents Packets

SEP 8 1980

TO: Local League Presidents
FROM: State office
RE: 1980-81 Local League Board of Directors and Local Program

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Midland, TX

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]
area code

LOCAL LEAGUE OFFICE (if applicable)

Address

Zip

LOCAL LEAGUE TELEPHONE NUMBER (if applicable) [REDACTED]

area code

| PORTFOLIO | NAME (PLEASE USE 1ST NAME) | ADDRESS | ZIP | TELEPHONE |
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Officers

President

Charleen Rosebery

Secretary

Nancy Cassin

Treasurer

Bonnie Waibel

Program Vice-President
Items & Chairs

Legislative Chair

Marge Hellinghausen

Organization Vice-Pres. Kay Maley

Membership

Cookie Wetendorf

Unit Organization

Terri Trentham

Finance

Community Relations Vice-Pres.

VOTER

Public Relations

Voters Service

Kathleen Gilluly

Publications

Janet Pritchett

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Budget Chair

| Name | Address | Zip | Telephone |
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Nominating Committee Chair Charlene Kullman

Name

Bylaws Chair Lois Carpenter

Name

Other

Reapportionment Betty Sheeler

LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS: (e.g., School District Study; Mass Transit Study, etc.)

Public school finance

Secondary curriculum



JUN 1 8 1979

LWW of Texas
Convention, 1979
President Packets

TO: Local League Presidents
FROM: State Office
RE: 1979-80 Local League Board of Directors and Local Program

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Midland

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] ^{Home Phone} [redacted] ^{League Phone} [redacted] (allow at least 6 or 7 rings)

area code

LOCAL LEAGUE OFFICE (if applicable)

Address

LOCAL LEAGUE TELEPHONE NUMBER (if applicable)

area code

Zip

(allow at least 6 or 7 rings)

PORTFOLIO

NAME (PLEASE USE 1ST NAME) ADDRESS

ZIP TELEPHONE

Officers

President

Charleen B. Roseberry

Secretary

Nancy Cassin

Treasurer

Bonnie Waibel

Program Vice-President
Items & Chairs

Mickie Waters

Human Resources

Carolyn Wallace

Govt.

Margie Hollingshead

Legislative

Legislative Chair

Organization Vice-President

Shirley Watts

Membership

Barbara Greene

Unit Organization

Charlene Kullman

Finance

Sherla Billingsley

Community Relations Vice-President

VOTER

Mary B. Dunn

Public Relations

Pat Stanley

Voters Service

Tricia Boyd

Publications

Diana Olian

(OVER)

Budget Chair

Matthe Chenoweth

Name

Nominating Committee Chair

Diane Rhoden

Name

Address

Zip

Telephone

Bylaws Chair

Name

Address

Zip

Telephone

Other

LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS: (e.g., School District Study; Mass Transit Study, etc.)

Review of Pupil Services for MISD
City & County
Survey of Govt. Services with publication of
results in booklet.

MAY 15 1978

LWV of Texas
Council, 1978
Presidents Packets

TO: Local League Presidents
FROM: State Office
RE: 1978-79 Local League Board of Directors and Local Program

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MIDLAND

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

area code

LOCAL LEAGUE OFFICE (if applicable)

Address

Zip

LOCAL LEAGUE TELEPHONE NUMBER (if applicable) [REDACTED]

area code

(in President's home)

PORTFOLIO

NAME (PLEASE USE 1ST NAME)

ADDRESS

ZIP

TELEPHONE

area code 915 for all

Officers

President

Mary Porter

Secretary

Nancy Cassin

Treasurer

Pat Ingram

Program Vice-President
Items & Chairs

Diane Rhoden

Urban Crisis

Betty Sheeler

Ground Water

Mickey Waters

Admin of Justice

Dr Geraldine Box

Legislative Chair

Organization Vice-President Shirley Watts

Membership

Charlene Rosebery

Unit Organization

Charlene Kullman

Finance

Community Relations Vice-President

VOTER

Mary B. Dunn

Public Relations

Marian Holmes

Voters Service

Marsha Samponaro

Publications

Diana Olien

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Budget Chair

Sister Martha Ginaine

Name

Nominating Committee Chair Marion Fisher

Name

Address

Zip Telephone

Bylaws Chair

Name

Address

Zip Telephone

Other

LOCAL PROGRAM ITEMS: (e.g., School District Study; Mass Transit Study, etc.)

code enforcement
Housing, Update of legal aid services

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April 1977
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Administration-
Board-Local-List

TO: Local League Presidents
FROM: State Office
RE: 1977-78 Local League Board of Directors and Local Program

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Midland

PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

LOCAL LEAGUE OFFICE (if applicable) [REDACTED]
Address Zip

LOCAL LEAGUE TELEPHONE NUMBER (if applicable) ()

| PORTFOLIO | NAME (PLEASE USE 1ST NAME) | ADDRESS | ZIP | TELEPHONE |
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Officers

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| President | Mary M. Porter | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Secretary | Mary B. Dunn | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Treasurer | Lois Christensen | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Program Vice-President | Diane R hoden | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Items & Chairs | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |

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| EQ | Midge Erskine | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Voting Rights | Anne Swendig(off-board) | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Urban Crisis | Judy Schmidt | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Legislative Chair | Geraldine Box | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Organization Vice-President | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Membership | Ruth Bell | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Unit Organization | Shirley Watts | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Finance | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Community Relations Vice-President | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| VOTER | Sheila Billingsley | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Public Relations | Jan Reider | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Voters Service | Marsha Samponaro | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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| Publications | Diana Olien | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
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Budget Chair

Nominating Committee Chair

Bylaws Chair

Other

Name

Address

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Telephone

Julie Keys

Name

Address

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Telephone

Name

Address

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Telephone

LOCAL PROGRAM: (e.g., School District Study; Mass Transit Study, etc.)

Evelyn Guld, Observer Corps as Local Item,

LHV of Texas
March 1976
LL Presidents
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Administration
Board-Local-List

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LOCAL LEAGUE TELEPHONE NUMBER (if applicable): ()

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Budget Chair Evelyn Gould

Name

Nominating Committee Chair Ruth Bell

Name

Bylaws Chair To Be Appointed

Name

Probably Diane Olin

LOCAL PROGRAM:

School Survey. Sally English

Single Member Districts, Anne Swendig

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

June 1974
Standing Order 15

MIDLAND

1974-75 Local Board
President's Phone: (915) 694-1880

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | Evelyn Gould (Mrs N S) | | |
| Program VP | Mary Porter (Mrs W T) | | |
| Organization VP | Ann Swendig (Mrs J) | | |
| President Elect | Maureen Fairbanks (Mrs D) | | |
| Secretary | Diana Olien (Mrs R) | | |
| Treasurer | Frances Liljestrang (Mrs W) | | |
| Finance | Maureen Fairbanks (Mrs D) | | |
| Membership | Lois Carpenter (Mrs R K) | | |
| Public Relations | Junia Stoddard (Mrs G) | | |
| Unit Organization | Essie Mae Hendricks (Mrs C C) | | |
| VOTER | Nettie Lawson (Mrs J B) | | |
| Voters Service | Ruth Bell (Mrs K) | | |
| Legislative Chm. | Betty Sheeler (Mrs J R) | | |
| Publications | Marilyn Stark | | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

| | |
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| Local | Evelyn Gould |
| Co Chairman | Mary Porter |

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| State | |
| TCR | Sally English |
| Voting Rights | Ann Swendig |
| MSG | |
| Financing St Govt | Betty Sheeler |
| EQ-Land Use | Midge Erskine |
| State/Local | |

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| National | |
| Human Resources | Gail Fitch (Off Board) |
| EQ-Air, Water | Midge Erskine |
| Rep. Govt. | Pat Stahley |

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| Budget Chairman | Maureen Fairbanks |
| Nominating Chairman | Carol Jochim |

LOCAL PROGRAM: I Evaluation of Revenue Sharing Monies in the City & County of Midland

II Update of Legal Aid Services

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

June 1973
Standing Order 15

Midland

1973-74 Local Board
Local League Office
President's Phone

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | Mrs. Norman Gould | | |
| Program VP | Mrs. Tom Porter | | |
| Organization VP | Mrs. B. L. Mitchell | | |
| PR VP | | | |
| Secretary | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | | |
| Treasurer | Mrs. W. E. Liljestrand | | |
| Finance | Mrs. B. L. Mitchell | | |
| Membership | Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter | | |
| Public Relations | Mrs. Steve Rose | | |
| Publications | Mrs. Robert Brown | | |
| Unit Organization | Mrs. John Swendig | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. Herbert Stanley | | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. Kelly Bell | | |
| Legislative Chairman | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

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| Local: | Mrs. James Fitch | |
| State: TCR | Mrs. Gail Stoddard | |
| EQ | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | |
| National | Mrs. Mary Porter | |
| Budget Chairman: | Mrs. A. W. Hanley | |
| Nominating Chairman: | | |

- LOCAL PROGRAM:
1. Evaluation of local public school financing.
 2. Support of the concept of a legal aid clinic in Midland.
 3. Revision of City Charter. Attention to be given to making provision in charter for city manager-Council form of municipal govt.
 4. Midland Independent Schools-Active support for expansion of special services including:
 - a. increased counseling aids
 - b. remedial and summer school programs at minimum or no cost to students
 - c. night courses for credit to allow graduation to dropouts
 5. Support of the Midland County Bar Association recommendations to the state to redesignate the Midland Court of Domestic Relations to a full-numbered District Court and/or legislation to establish an additional District Court in Midland.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

Midland

May 1972

President's Phone [REDACTED]
1972-73 Local Board

Standing Orders 15

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Program VP | Mrs. Herbert M. Stanley | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Organization VP | Mrs. Bascom L. Mitchell | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Secretary | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Walter E. Liljestrang | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Finance | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Membership | Mrs. Gail H. Stoddard | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Public Relations | Mrs. Stephen Rose | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Publications | Mrs. Robert Brown | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Unit Organization | Mrs. John Swendig | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| VOTER | Mrs. John Hjerpe | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Voters Service | | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Legislative Chairman | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

Local

State

TCR

Mrs. Norman Gould

EQ

Mrs. W. S. Erskine

National

IR

Mrs. J. R. Sheeler

EQ

Mrs. W. S. Erskine

Congress

Mrs. Wm. T. Porter

Budget Chairman:

Nominating Chrm:

Mrs. A. L. Beesley

LOCAL PROGRAM:

1. Evaluation of legal services for low income citizens in Midland County. (Scope: Legal Aid, Public Defender, Federally funded programs, private organizations and grants.)
2. Revision of the City Charter. Attention to be given to making a provision in the charter for the City Manager-Council form of municipal government. It is presently only by Council decision that Midland has this desirable form.
3. Midland Independent Schools - Support for expansion of special services including: a) Increased counselling aids, b) Remedial and summer school programs at minimum or no cost to students, c) night courses for credit to allow graduation to dropouts.
4. Support the Midland County Bar Association's recommendation to the State to redesignate the Midland Court of Domestic Relations to a full-numbered District Court and/or legislation to establish an additional District Court in Midland.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

DICKINSON PLAZA CENTER

DICKINSON, TEXAS 77539

President's Phone - [REDACTED]

1972-73 Local Board

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Local League Midland

Local League Office _____

Phone - _____

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Program VP | Mrs. Herbert M. Stanley | | |
| Organization VP | Mrs. Bascom L. Mitchell | | |
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| Secretary | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | | |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Walter E. Liljestrang | | |
| Finance | | | |
| Membership | Mrs. Gail H. Stoddard | | |
| Public Relations | Mrs. Stephen Rose | | |
| Publications | Mrs. Robert Brown | | |
| Unit Organization | Mrs. John Swendig | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. John Hjerpe | | |
| Voters Service | | | |
| Legislative Chairman | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

Local

State

TCR

Mrs. Norman Gould

EQ

Mrs. W. S. Erskine

National

IR

Mrs. J. R. Sheeler

EQ

Mrs. W. S. Erskine

Congress

Mrs. Wm. T. Porter

Budget Chairman:

Nominating Chrm:

Mrs. A. L. Beesley

LOCAL PROGRAM:

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| Address | Name | Portfolio |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| 3200 Sheffield | Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter | President |
| 2204 Sinclair | Mrs. Herbert M. Stanley | Program |
| 3627 Hyde Park | Mrs. Pascoe J. Mitchell | Organization |
| 2806 Stutz | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | Organization |
| 2207 Sinclair | Mrs. Walter E. Liljestrand | Organization |
| 1403 Harvard | Mrs. Carl R. Stoddard | Organization |
| 600 Linden, 466 | Mrs. Stephen Ross | Organization |
| 8 Ashurst Court | Mrs. Robert Brown | Organization |
| 3601 Scenic | Mrs. John Swendie | Organization |
| 2807 Harmon | Mrs. John Hjerpe | Organization |
| 2002 Bedford | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | Organization |
| 2816 Fanning | Mrs. Norman Gould | Organization |
| 6806 Golf Course Rd. | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | Organization |
| 2002 Bedford | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | Organization |
| 3306 Golf Course Rd. | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | Organization |
| 702 Austin | Mrs. Wm. T. Porter | Organization |
| 108 W. Dornard | Mrs. A. L. Beasley | Organization |

- 1. Evaluation of legal services for low income citizens in Midland County. (Scope: Legal Aid, Public Defender, Federally funded programs, private organizations and grants.)
- 2. Revision of the City Charter. Attention to be given to making a provision in the charter for the City Manager-Council form of municipal government. It is presently only by Council decision that Midland has this desirable form.)

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

Midland

President's phone - 915-694-1787
1971-72 Local Board

Standing Orders - 0
May 1971

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | Mrs. R. K. Carpenter | | |
| 1st Vice President | Mrs. H. M. Stanley | | |
| 2nd Vice President | | | |
| 3rd Vice President | | | |
| Secretary | Mrs. B. L. Mitchell | | |
| Treasurer | Mrs. G. W. Keys | | |
| Finance | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | | |
| Membership | Mrs. G. H. Stoddard | | |
| Public Relations | Mrs. James Flinn | | |
| Publications | Mrs. A. L. Beesley | | |
| Unit Organizations | Mrs. Paul Davis | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. John Hjerpe | | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. W. S. Fisher | | |
| Legislative Chairman | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

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| <u>Local</u> | Mrs. L. G. Byerley |
| <u>State</u> | |
| EQ | Mrs. W. S. Erskine |
| <u>National</u> | |
| EQ | Mrs. W. S. Erskine |
| F. P. | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler |

Budget Chairman:
Nominating Ch...: Mrs. N. Gould

LOCAL PROGRAM:

1. Evaluation of Social Welfare in Midland County--a study of welfare services with emphasis on over-lapping services and evaluation of the need for more comprehensive medical services.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS

President's Phone - Area Code [redacted] 1971-72 Local Board
Standing Orders 0 - Mrs. A. L. Beesley
108 W. Dormard
Local League Midland, Texas

| <u>Portfolio</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> | <u>Zip</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------|
| President | ✓ Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter | [redacted] | [redacted] |
| 1st Vice President | ✓ Mrs. H. M. Stanley | | |
| 2nd Vice President | unfilled position | | |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | | |
| Secretary | Mrs. B. L. Mitchell | | |
| Treasurer | Mrs. George W. Keys | | |
| Finance | Mrs. Dale Fairbanks | | |
| Membership | Mrs. G. H. Stoddard | | |
| Public Relations | Mrs. James Flinn | | |
| Publications | ✓ Mrs. A. L. Beesley | | |
| Unit Organization | Mrs. Paul Davis | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. John Hjerpe | | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. W. S. Fisher | | |
| Legislative Chairman | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

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|-----------------|-------|--------------------|------------|
| Local | | Mrs. L. G. Byerley | [redacted] |
| State | EQ | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | |
| National | EQ | Mrs. W. S. Erskine | |
| | F. P. | Mrs. J. R. Sheeler | |
| Budget Chairman | | unfilled position | |
| Nominating Chm. | | Mrs. N. Gould | [redacted] |

LOCAL PROGRAM:
Evaluation of Social Welfare in Midland County--study of welfare services with emphasis on over-lapping services and evaluation of the need for more comprehensive medical services.



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| Public Relations | Mrs. J.S. Guyton | | |
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| Unit Organization | Mrs. W.E. Langenbahn | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. G.W. Keys | | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. W.S. Fisher 21 | | |
| PROGRAM CHAIRMEN: | | | |
| <u>Local</u> | Mrs. Leon Byerly | | |

State Mrs. A.W. Hanley

National Mrs. R.K. Carpenter
Mrs. J.R. Sheeler

Budget Chm. Mrs. B.B. Coester
Nominating Chm. Mrs. Richard Jacques

LOCAL PROGRAM:
Evaluation of Social Welfare in Midland County

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| President | Mrs. G. H. Stoddard | [REDACTED] | |
| 1st Vice President | Mrs. William Raimer | [REDACTED] | |
| 2nd Vice President | Mrs. H. M. Stanley | [REDACTED] | |
| 3rd Vice President | | [REDACTED] | |
| Secretary | Mrs. Richard Jacques | [REDACTED] | |
| Treasurer | Mrs. A. L. Beesley | [REDACTED] | |
| Finance | | [REDACTED] | |
| Membership | Mrs. Bascom Mitchell | [REDACTED] | |
| Public Relations | Mrs. J. S. Guyton | [REDACTED] | |
| Publications | Mrs. Ken Carpenter | [REDACTED] | |
| Unit Organization | Mrs. K. A. Freeman | [REDACTED] | |
| VOTER | Mrs. D. E. Godlevski | [REDACTED] | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. W. S. Fisher | [REDACTED] | |

PROGRAM CHAIRMEN:

Local

- I. Mrs. Norman Gould
- II.
- III.

State

- I. TCR Mrs. A. W. Hanley-Chairman
- II. Executive
- III. Legislature
- IV. SLR
- V. VR

National

- I. El. College Mrs. J. R. Sheeler-Chairman
- II. HR
- III. FP
- IV. Water
- V. Tax Rates & Treaty Making
- VI. Rep. Govt.

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Nominating Chairman Mrs. B. B. Coester

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2nd Vice-Pres. Mrs. H.M. Stanley (Pat)

3rd Vice-Pres. _____

Secretary Mrs. Richard Jacques (Phyllis)

Treasurer Mrs. A.L. Beesley

Finance _____

Membership Mrs. Bascom Mitchell (Ann)

Public Relations Mrs. J.S. Guyton (Sam)

Publications Mrs. Ken Carpenter (Lois)

Unit Organization Mrs. K.A. Freeman (Cathy)

VOTER Mrs. D.E. Godlevski (Connie)

Voters Service Mrs. W.S. Fisher (Marian)

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Local

I. Mrs. Norman Gould (Evelyn)

II. _____

III. _____

State

I. TCR Mrs. A.W. Hanley (Virginia) - Chairman [REDACTED]

II. The Executive _____

III. Tx Legislature _____

IV. S-LR _____

V. Voter Registration _____

National

I. Electoral College Chairman - Mrs. J.R. Sheeler (Betty)

II. Human Relations [REDACTED]

III. Foreign Policy _____

IV. Water Resources _____

V. Tax Rates & Treaty Making _____

VI. Representative Government _____

Budget Chm. Katy Linehan (Mrs C.M.) Nominating Chm. Mrs. B.B. Coester (Cuz)

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Dear Gang,

As of last year we decided that we would have only the following receiving Standing Orders:

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First Vice President
Second Vice President
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Many thanks,

Janis Stradard

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| President | Mrs. J. E. R. Sheeler | | |
| 1st Vice-Pres. | Mrs. Norman Gould | | |
| 2nd Vice-Pres. | Mrs. S. S. Moran | | |
| 3rd Vice-Pres. | | | |
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| Treasurer | Mrs. A. L. Beesley | | |
| Finance | Mrs. G. H. Stoddard | | |
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| Public Relations | Mrs. Bascom Mitchell | | |
| Publications | Mrs. Ken Carpenter | | |
| Unit Organization | | | |
| VOTER | Mrs. Herbert Stanley | | |
| Voters Service | Mrs. Marian Fisher | | |
| PROGRAM: | | | |
| Local | | | |
| I. | Mrs. William Kelldorf | | |
| II. | | | |
| III. | | | |
| State | | | |
| I. TCR | 1st VP Gould | | |
| II. The Executive | Mrs. A. W. Hanley | | |
| III. Tx Legislature | " " " | | |
| IV. S-LR | | | |
| V. VR | | | |
| National | | | |
| I. Foreign Pol. | Mrs. W. Ramier | | |
| II. | Mrs. R. C. Lannen | | |
| III. | | | |
| IV. | | | |
| Budget Chm. | | | |
| Nominating Chm. | Mrs. John Kimberly | | |

ADOPTED LOCAL PROGRAM 1968-69

The study and evaluation of a Council of Gov. for the Midland, Odessa Area with the following as the Scope & Outlook for Work: 1. Interviews Council, County, School Bd. 2. Comparison of existing COG in W. Texas. 3. Should we have one? Co-meetings with Odessa League in attempt to arrive at answer. 4. Citizen Education.

Study of advisability of election of local Gov. Officials by District.

CRs - County Redistricting, Midland Independent Schools - Support of expansion of special services.

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|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| President | MRS J E R SHEELER | [REDACTED] | 7 |
| 1st Vice-Pres. | MRS NORMAN GOULD | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| 2nd Vice-Pres. | MRS S S MORAN | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| 3rd Vice-Pres. | | | |
| Secretary | MRS DAVID HOFF | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Treasurer | MRS A L BEESLEY | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Finance | MRS G H STODDARD | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Membership | MRS W F WILSON | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Public Relations | MRS BASCOM MITCHELL | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Publications | MRS KEN CARPENTER | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Unit Organization | RESIGNED | | |
| VOTER | MRS HERBERT S TANLEY | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Voters Service | MRS MARIAN FISHER | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| PROGRAM: | | | |
| Local | | | |
| I. | MRS WILLIAM KELLDORF | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| II. | | | |
| III. | | | |
| State | | | |
| I.TCR | 1st V P GOULD | | |
| II.The Executive | MRS A W HANLEY | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| III.Texas Legislature | SAME | | |
| IV.S-LR | | | |
| V.Voter Registration | | | |
| National | | | |
| I. | MRS W RAMIER | [REDACTED] (FOREIGN POLICY) | |
| II. | MRS R C LANNEN | [REDACTED] | |
| III. | | | |
| IV. | | | |
| Budget Chairman | ? | | |
| Nominating Chairman | MRS JOHN KIMBERLY | [REDACTED] | |

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