Council Workbook

League of Women Voters
College Station, Texas
April 19-20, 1986

a taste of
Brazos County

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WELCOME TO BRAZOS COUNTY AND THE COLLEGE STATION HILTON

Brazos County is located in the heart of wildflower country, and April provides us a spectacular view of colors. Our community is the home of Texas A&M University, the 1985 Southwest Conference football champions, and home of Messina Hof Wine Cellars. We boast about our beautiful city parks and many historical landmarks. We're glad you'll join us for a taste of Brazos County, and we look forward to your visiting us again soon.

NEARBY DINING SPOTS

Sandpiper's Seafood	Hilton Hotel
Plaza Cafe	Hilton Hotel
Cenare (Italian)	404 University Drive E
Interurban Eating House	505 University Drive E
K-Bob's Steak House	809 A University Drive E
Julie's Place	607 Texas Ave. (1 block south of University Dr.
Casa Tomas (Mexican)	4300 Texas Ave. (2 blocks north of University Dr.
Pizza Hut	102 University Drive E

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INTRODUCTION

When the 19th Biennial Council convenes in College Station on Saturday, April 19, 1986, delegates will participate in a variety of activities:

CONSIDER AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE 1986-87 LEAGUE YEAR

--Budgets are the framework for establishing priorities and goals. Does the proposed LWV-Texas budget reflect the way you wish state League funds allocated? Next year will be a legislative year, expensive but vital for carrying out League action. The budget will be presented and explained with some time allotted for questions and discussion on Saturday afternoon. If delegates wish to amend the budget, there will be time for that on Sunday morning prior to adopting it. The treasurer and budget chair will be available for consultation in the plenary session room from 11:00 A.M. until noon on Saturday morning.

--The proposed LWV-Texas Education Fund budget is included herein for your information, although it will be adopted by the Trustees at their next meeting rather than by Council delegates.

DISCUSS PERIODIC PROGRAM REVIEW

--The new process being proposed for better management of state League program will be explained Saturday afternoon. We will break up into small groups to discuss this procedure with other delegates.

HEAR ABOUT IMPORTANT ISSUES IN STATE GOVERNMENT

--Our keynote speaker, state Senator Kent Caperton of Bryan, will tell us about the issues he views as looming largest in the forthcoming legislative session.

DELVE INTO OUR HEALTH CARE STUDY

--Dr. Harry Lipscomb, Professor of Family and Community Medicine at Texas A&M Medical School, will discuss major health care issues in Texas.

COMMUNICATE WITH THE STATE BOARD

--Time for casual visiting with state board members will occur Saturday evening when we visit the Messina Hof Wine Cellars for a wine-tasting tour and catered dinner. After dinner local League delegates to national Convention will meet with the state board delegates to discuss Convention issues.

ENJOY THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE

--Council is a grand opportunity to see old League friends and make new ones; to discuss informally common problems and goals. There will be a counterpart time (continental breakfasts) Sunday morning when local League presidents meet with the state League president, while the remaining delegates and observers are invited to select the interest table of their choice to discuss their concerns with their local League and state board counterparts.

--An innovation this year will be meetings of local League delegates and observers in regional groupings. This will occur on Sunday morning after breakfast and will give attendees the chance to visit with members of neighboring Leagues.

--The usual convention rules apply to all business sessions. Only delegates may vote, but observers will be granted the privilege of the floor to speak at other times. During all sessions observers may sit with delegates. (Observers include state Unit members, members at large, and local League members other than the two official delegates.) The schedule includes frequent breaks, and smokers are asked to smoke in the corridor outside the meeting room.

--The registration fee is $27.00 for delegates and $17.00 for observers. Room rate is a flat $60.00 whether the room is occupied by one, two, or more persons.

AGENDA

19th BIENNIAL COUNCIL 1986

College Station Hilton
801 University Drive East
College Station, Texas

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION	Prefunction Area
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	COUNCIL OFFICE AND PUBLICATIONS ROOM OPEN	Mockingbird A
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	TOUR OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY	
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	BUDGET CHAIR & LWV-T TREASURER AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS	Brazos Theater
12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.	LUNCHEON Welcome Mary Alice Pisani, President, LWV-Brazos County Mayor of Bryan Mayor of College Station Keynote Address: State Senator Kent Caperton	Bluebonnet 2
1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	FIRST PLENARY SESSION Organization of Council Roll Call Minutes of Council '84 Budget Presentation and Discussion Announcements	Brazos Theater
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	BREAK	
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	SPEAKER Dr. Harry Lipscomb, Professor of Family & Community Medicine, Texas A&M Medical School	Brazos Theater
4:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	BREAK	
4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	PERIODIC PROGRAM REVIEW/SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS	Mockingbird B,C,D
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	WINE TASTING TOUR/DINNER	Messina Hof Wine Cellars
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	OPTIONAL CAUCUSES: National Convention Issues Other caucuses as desired	To be announced

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SUNDAY, APRIL 20

8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	COUNCIL OFFICE AND PUBLICATIONS ROOM OPEN	Mockingbird A
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	CONTINENTAL BREAKFASTS	
	Presidents' Breakfast	Bluebonnet 4
	Counterpart Breakfast	Bluebonnet 5
8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	REGIONAL MEETINGS	To be announced
10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	BREAK	
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon	PLENARY SESSION	Brazos Theater
	Capital Fund Drive Report	
	Treasurer's Report	
	Development Report	
	President's Report	
	Adoption of Budget	
12:00 noon	ADJOURN	

The hotel has a Sunday brunch available for those wishing to eat before departing. Other eating places in the immediate area also serve brunch.

Tips on Parliamentary Procedure

Some basic rules of parliamentary procedure which will be useful at Convention are discussed below but it is not possible to cover them all. Consult the Parliamentarian if you have special questions or problems.

Main Motions and Their Appendages

All business at the Convention is accomplished by making, debating and acting upon motions. Once a topic has been introduced by a main motion, seconded and stated by the Chair, it must normally be disposed of before the Convention can proceed to other business. Exceptions to this general rule occur when the Order of Business provides for introduction of particular motions at one meeting while action is postponed to a later time. This is the case with League program and budget. However, once a main motion is properly before the Convention for action, no other business can be brought up.

While a main motion is on the floor, several subsidiary and incidental motions can be made in connection with it. Some of these are discussed below in their order of precedence. This means that each succeeding motion can be made while the prior ones are pending.

To Amend: Debatable Majority Vote Required

I move to amend the motion by striking out the words "evaluation of."

You can amend a motion by inserting, deleting or changing words if they are germane, that is related to the subject of the motion. You cannot insert a negative to accomplish what could be done by voting against the motion. A motion can be amended several times but each amendment is considered individually and disposed of before proceeding to the next. An amendment can itself be amended but there cannot be an amendment to an amendment of an amendment. Substantial changes in the wording of a motion should be done through amendment by substitution. Consult the Parliamentarian on this. Once all amendments have been acted upon, a vote on the motion itself, as amended, is taken.

To Refer: Debatable Majority Vote Required

I move to refer this matter to a committee of three appointed by the Chair with instructions to report back to the Convention tomorrow morning.

This motion, not often used at League Conventions because of time pressures, is appropriate if you want more information about a main motion or think it needs more extensive rewording than can be done by amendment on the floor of Convention.

To Postpone Definitely: Debatable Majority Vote Required

I move to postpone consideration of this motion until Thursday morning.

This motion can be used to delay consideration of a matter until other decisions have been made or new information is available. The time to which postponement is sought must be specified.

To Limit or Extend Debate: Not Debatable Two-thirds Vote Required

I move that debate on this question be limited to one minute per speaker.

Use this motion when debate on a topic threatens to go on too long or many people wish to be heard.

I move that the limits of this debate be extended by 15 minutes.

When the time allotted for debate on a particular motion is up and you feel that the matter has not been fully explored, this motion is available.

To Close Debate: Not Debatable Two-thirds Vote Required

I move the previous question.

When debate does not seem to be shedding additional light, you may move to end it by calling the question. You must be recognized by the Chair before making this motion, which means you must be

standing in your turn at a microphone. As soon as this motion is made and seconded, debate ceases and a vote on closing debate is taken. If the motion carries, a vote is immediately taken on the question under consideration.

To Lay on the Table: Not Debatable Majority Vote Required

I move that we table this motion on candidates' meetings.

This motion postpones consideration of a matter indefinitely until the convention is ready to take it up again. You can make it any time up to the moment the final vote is taken. When a main motion is tabled it carries with it all pending amendments and other connected motions. Although it is not debatable, you may give a brief explanation of your reasons before making the motion.

I move that we take from the table the motion on candidates' meetings.

If adopted, this brings the motion previously tabled before the Convention again.

Miscellaneous Motions

These motions (or questions) are not necessarily related to the Main Motion and do not fall within the order of precedence. They may be made as appropriate or necessary. They are "red card" motions which may interrupt other business. Consult the parliamentary aides at the microphones.

Questions of Privilege: *Question of Privilege, please! It is too noisy. I request that the delegates be asked to stop talking among themselves.*

Parliamentary Inquiry: *Parliamentary Inquiry, please! Is it in order at this time to move for reconsideration of the motion to amend the budget?*

Point of Information: *Point of Information, please! How many recognized local Leagues are there at present?*

Point of Order: *Point of order, please! The motion to consider this not-recommended item is out of order because notice of intent was not given on Saturday.*

These questions are raised as the occasion demands. There is no debate or vote and the Chair rules immediately on the request or provides the information sought.

Appeals: *I appeal the decision of the Chair.*

Any ruling of the Chair can be submitted to the Convention for final determination by this motion which requires a second. The appeal must be taken immediately after the contested decision and is usually debatable. It requires a majority vote; a tie vote sustains the Chair's ruling.

Voting: *I call for a division.*

A single delegate can require a standing vote if unsatisfied with a voice vote or a show of hands.

I move that the vote on this question be counted.

This motion, if seconded, is put to the Convention. If a majority agrees, the vote in question must be taken by means of the mechanical tabulations cards.

Reconsideration: *I move that we reconsider the vote on the motion to adopt the not-recommended item on agricultural subsidies.*

This motion can be made only by one who voted with the prevailing side (the side that won) although it can be seconded by any delegate. It must be made on the same day or the next day after the original motion was carried or defeated. A motion to reconsider can be made at any time during the permitted days but a vote on the motion may be postponed to an appropriate time in keeping with the Order of Business. The motion is debatable if the original motion was debatable and requires only a majority to pass even though the original motion needed a larger vote. If the motion to reconsider passes, the original motion is again before the Convention for action. A vote can be reconsidered only once.

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LWV-TEXAS AND LWV-TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

1985-1987

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[redacted]

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BUDGETS FOR 1986-1987

The 1986-87 fiscal year promises to be a very active year for the state League. Of course, with increased activity comes the need for additional money. The state board is committed to giving local Leagues the greatest amount of service possible while keeping expenses in check. The budget we are submitting is a minimum budget.

Although the LWV-T and LWV-TEF budgets are interrelated, only the LWV-T budget is adopted by council delegates.

Significant changes in the LWV-Texas budget are as follows:

The PMP was raised to $10 as discussed at last year's convention. This increase is the result of the decision by the LWV-Texas state board not to do election night reporting for ABC. However, because of a decline in state membership and an increase in members joining at the national level for whom we receive no PMP, income from the PMP will be about the same as the previous year.

Development expenses have, of necessity, increased. A more aggressive campaign of fundraising from corporations and foundations will be carried out. This year's direct mailing for LWV-TEF by a professional fundraiser will be evaluated and, if successful, will probably be done again.

State office expenses will remain about the same with the exception of payroll expenses. The office staff was given a 5% pay increase.

The budget proposes an increase in program expenses and legislative office expenses. The Legislature will be in session, which means more activity - more action - more expenses.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact the 1986-87 budget committee members:

Georgina Gregory, Chair
Evelyn Bonavita
Modelle Brudner
Lois Carpenter
Elma Hennies
Barbara McCormick
Myrtle McMahan

LOCAL LEAGUE SUPPORT FOR 1986-87 BUDGET
Membership January 1, 1986

League	Life member or joined through LWV-US (no PMP)	Household	Total	Per-member payment
Abilene			31	$ 310
Amarillo	1		33	320
Arlington	5	2	88	825
Austin Area	42	12	377	3,320
Bay Area	4	16	99	910
Baytown	2	2	48	455
Beaumont	4	16	117	1,085
Brazos Co.	1	2	107	1,055
Corpus Christi	3	14	120	1,135
Dallas	56	84	574	4,970
Denton	4	15	113	1,050
Edinburg/McAllen		2	25	250*
El Paso	2	2	66	635
Gainesville		8	23	250*
Galveston		14	69	655
Houston Area	50	40	603	5,430
Irving	5	14	79	705
Kerrville Area	3	4	51	470
Lubbock	2	8	118	1,140
Marshall/Harrison Co.		8	37	350
Midland		6	33	315
Montgomery Co.			37	370
Odessa		2	15	250*
Orange Area	1	2	25	250*
Pearland Area		6	34	325*
Plano	1	8	62	590
Richardson	4	2	65	605
San Antonio Area	20	12	184	1,610
San Marcos	1	18	44	385
Sherman		4	71	700
Tarrant Co.	23	38	200	1,675
Tyler	1	10	52	485
Victoria		12	66	630
Waco Area	3	19	87	790
Wichita Falls	2		28	260
	240	402	3,781	$34,560
State Units:				
Big Spring/Howard Co.			15	
Bowie Co.	1		10	
Burleson			7	
Cherokee Co.		4	29	
Cleburne		4	14	
Gregg Co.	1	14	20	
Pasadena			24	
Wise Co.			6	
Members at large-isolated	26	4	64	
	28	26	189	

TOTAL LWV-TEXAS MEMBERSHIP 3,970

* Minimum applies

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RECOMMENDED BUDGET: JUNE 1, 1986 - MAY 31, 1987

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
INCOME				
A. Support				
1. Local League (PMP)	$31,957	$34,257	$34,560	Based on $10 PMP/member
2. Members joining thru LWVUS	140	105	140	Based on 16 members
3. Member at large dues	3,675	4,950	5,250	Based on 175 @ $30
4. Provisional Leagues	0	200	300	
Sub-total A	$35,772	$39,512	$40,250	
B. Interest	$ 1,768	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	Interest on invest. & savings
C. Sales of Publications				
1. Duplicate President's Mlg.	$ 2,650	$ 3,000	$ 2,600	Balanced by R. 3. c.
2. Standing Orders	300	0	0	
3. Pubs on hand	1,640	1,500	1,500	State pubs for resale
4. Legislative Newsletter	881	0	1,350	Partial recov. printing U. 8
5. Advocacy Papers	263	0	250	Partial recov. printing R. 3. d.
6. We Support	0	600	0	
7. Program Perspectives	0	150	0	
8. Non-pub sales	182	50	25	Misc. (Texas pins, etc.)
Sub-total C	$ 5,916	$ 5,300	$ 5,725	
D. Contributions				
1. Member	$ 695	$ 1,032	$ 500	
2. State fundraising	6,085	8,109	10,007	Non-member contributions prior to deducting LL share
3. Board members unreimbursed exp.	1,979	2,300	2,750	Phone, travel, postage, etc.
Sub-total D	$ 8,759	$11,441	$13,257	

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
E. State Convention/Council				
1. Convention	$13,590	$ 0	$12,000	Balanced by P. 2.
2. Council	0	4,500	0	
Sub-total E	$13,590	$ 4,500	$12,000	
F. In-kind assistance	0	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	Balanced by V.
G. From reserves	0	0	$ 4,700	Legislative ofc. accrual from last year
H. Contractual	$ 5,634	0	0	ABC election night reporting
TOTAL INCOME	$71,439	$63,353	$78,532	
EXPENSES				
N. State office				
1. Equipment maintenance	1,978	2,000	2,000	Mainly contractual
2. General supplies	1,177	1,000	1,000	Sup. not charged to specific budget item
3. Postage	916	1,400	1,200	Bulk mail deposit, postage not charged to spec. bdgt item
4. Telephone	1,741	1,650	1,750	Basic charge, calls not charged to spec. bdgt item
5. Insurance & Bonding	233	550	300	Premium on fire, liability bonding, worker comp., burglary
6. Rent	5,730	4,785	5,600	Paid to TEF
7. Salaries	21,360	23,430	25,048	5% inc. for 1 & 3/4 staff
8. Payroll taxes	1,766	1,860	2,127	Employer's share
9. Audit & tax report	500	500	750	To prepare reports
10. Office overhead	(5,507)	(7,435)	(7,955)	20% of N. 1. - N. 9.
11. Equipment purchase	36	100	0	
12. TEF reimbursement	(13,631)	(12,528)	(13,110)	50% of N. 1.-5. & N. 7.-11.
Sub-total N	$16,299	$17,312	$18,710	

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
O. Board & Administration				
1. President				
a. travel/per diem & representation	200	700	450	Trips to SO & other League business
b. telephone	2,603	1,600	1,600	League phone in pres. home
c. postage & supplies	76	100	100	
2. Secretary & Treasurer	877	800	600	Phone, supplies, postage
3. Board of Directors				
a. tools	525	650	700	National DPMs; other tools
b. board meetings	8,787	9,300	9,300	Four 3-day mtgs., one 1-day mtg., 18 board members
c. board mailings	2,452	2,600	2,500	Postage, copying, supplies, wkly. mlgs. from SO
d. unreimbursed expenses	357	400	500	Expenses while attending board meetings
4. Administrative Committees				
a. budget	358	400	400	Travel etc., one meeting
b. development	1,032	1,835	-	Fund raising expenses
(1) committee expenses	-	-	1,200	
(2) direct mailing	-	-	2,000	
c. interim committees	153	300	300	V.P. & Pres., ad hoc as needed
d. nominating & bylaws	594	50	550	Travel, phone, supplies
5. TEF reimbursement	(7,128)	(7,335)	(7,880)	40% of O. 1-4, ex. O. 3. d.
6. Unreimbursed expenses	442	600	600	Administrative
Sub-total O	$11,328	$12,000	$12,920	
P. Convention/council				
1. National	1,085	2,000	1,200	2 delegates to Wash. D.C.
2. State	10,600	4,500	12,000	All costs inc. travel for bdgt, nom. chairs, other invited guests (bal. by E.)
Sub-total P	$11,685	$ 6,500	$13,200	
Q. National services (PMP)	$ 1,048	$ 1,100	$ 1,506	MALs @ $13, 75% paid by LWV-T

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
R. Public Relations				
1. Vice-president's expenses	$ 110	$ 375	$ 300	Phone, supplies, travel
2. Texas VOTER	3,329	4,000	3,500	Four issues
3. Publications				
a. Director's expenses	87	50	50	Phone, supplies
b. Marketing expenses	413	400	400	Costs of marketing pubs.; catalog
c. DPMs	2,130	3,000	2,600	Balanced by C. 1.
d. Standing orders	160	0	0	
e. Publications on hand	1,272	1,500	1,500	St. & Nat. pubs not charged elsewhere
f. Advocacy papers	331	0	400	Income C. 5 - $250
g. We Support	0	600	0	
h. Program Perspectives	0	260	0	
4. TEF reimbursement	(951)	(2,410)	(2,125)	50% of R. 1. - 3. b.
5. Unreimbursed expenses	12	100	100	
Sub-total R	$ 6,893	$ 7,875	$ 6,725	
S. Organization				
1. Vice-president's expenses	278	300	275	Travel, phone, supplies
2. Field service	1,277	2,300	2,000	FSRs, consultant, dir. exp.
3. Workshops	775	450	500	
4. New Leagues & S.U.s	497	360	275	Start-up costs, travel, phone
5. Membership	226	200	200	Director's expenses
6. Provisional Leagues	29	300	355	Advisor; mailings
7. S.U. Advisors	257	800	-	
a. mailings & expenses	-	-	500	DPMs & advisors' expenses
b. workshops	-	-	300	One meeting
8. Mailings to S.U. Chairs	374	420	620	Same contents as LLP mailing
9. Mailings to MALs	1,772	1,980	2,000	New member packet; mo. mlgs.
10. Mailings to LLPs	1,416	2,000	1,838	Ten monthly mailings
11. TEF reimbursement	(543)	(2,225)	(2,166)	25% of S. 1.-4., S. 6.-10.
12. Unreimbursed expenses	288	400	400	
Sub-total S	$ 6,646	$ 7,285	$ 7,097	

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
T. Program				
1. Vice-president's expenses	$ 124	$ 500	$ 700	Travel, phone, supplies
2. Program action	3,381	1,500	3,700	Travel, phone, office overhead, directors
3. Coalitions	40	125	125	
4. Unreimbursed expenses	478	700	700	
Sub-total T	$ 4,023	$ 2,825	$ 5,225	
U. Legislative office				
1. Lobbying	$ 1,832	$ 0	$ 2,000	
2. Legislative secretary	3,690	0	4,068	$750/mo. for 5 months; $318 payroll taxes
3. Office expenses	699	0	750	
4. Legislative priorities brochure	125	0	150	
5. Legislative Newsletter	2,475	0	2,800	
6. Special Leg. Session	216	950	100	Lobby & ofc. exp.
8. Office overhead	(523)	0	(525)	
9. Legislative Day	614	0	650	Cost of mailing (does not incl. cost of dir. participating in program)
10. Unreimbursed expenses	403	100	450	
11. Accrual for next session	0	4,700	0	
Sub-total U	$ 9,531	$ 5,750	$10,443	
V. In-kind assistance	0	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	Outside professional help Balanced by G.
W. LL share of state fund raising	$ 1,160	$ 1,706	$ 1,706	In accordance with sharing
X. Contractural service	$ 1,478	0	0	
TOTAL EXPENSES	$70,091	$63,353	$78,532	

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

RECOMMENDED BUDGET: JUNE 1, 1986 - MAY 31, 1987

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
INCOME				
A. Contributions				
1. Fundraising, unrestricted	$11,135	$11,400	$15,000	Non-member contr. prior to deducting LL share
2. Special fundraiser	0	7,198	9,333	Special proj. before expenses
3. Member contributions	101	500	200	
4. Tributes,memorials, bequests	0	75	75	
5. Restricted grants	32,407	50,000	50,000	Total raised less adm. fees & LL share if applicable
6. LL restricted funds	11,124	13,000	13,000	Held for LL, total less adm. fees
7. Unreimbursed expenses	1,177	1,100	1,100	Unreimbursed trustee expenses
Sub-total A	$55,944	$83,273	$88,708	
B. Interest and dividends				
1. Interest	$ 6,408	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	Interest on investments
2. Stock dividends	$ 1,128	0	0	
Sub-total B	$ 7,536	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	
C. Administrative fees				
1. LL projects	$ 322	$ 250	$ 325	5% fee on LL projects subject to fee (% of R. 1.)
2. Restricted grants	1,752	500	500	Adm. fee on grants (% of Q.)
3. Texas Government Handbook	417	10	0	
Sub-total C	$ 2,491	$ 760	$ 825	

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
D. Sale of publications				
1. Voters Guides	$ 2,383	$ 4,500	$ 3,600	One general election
2. Public Subscription Service	2,508	3,000	2,500	Balanced by O. 3.
3. Current issue publications	6,333	4,000	4,525	Sale of pubs (P. 4. a.-c.); Texas Govt Handbook
4. Publications on hand	227	500	750	TEF pubs from previous years
Sub-total D	$11,451	$12,000	$11,375	
E. Office				
1. Rent	0	$12,435	$11,000	From LWV-T & adj. office
2. Contributions	$65,867	65,000	65,000	
3. Renovation	0	15,070	0	
Sub-total E	$65,867	$92,505	$76,000	
F. In-kind assistance	0	$ 2,500	$ 1,000	Outside professional work which is donated
G. Transfer from reserves	0	$ 2,435	0	
TOTAL INCOME	$143,289	$199,473	$183,908	

EXPENSES

N. Shared services & adm.					
1. Shared services					
a. Office overhead	$13,631	$12,528	$13,110	LWV-T N. 12	% of expenses
b. Trustee mtgs. & exp.	7,128	7,335	7,880	LWV-T O. 5.	used for TEF
c. Texas VOTER and pubs	951	2,410	2,125	LWV-T R. 4.	
d. Mailings and workshops	543	2,225	2,166	LWV-T S. 11.	
2. Administration	36	50	50	Supervision of LL accounts	
3. National PMP for MALs	349	370	502	25% as allowed by LWVUS	
Sub-total N	$22,638	$24,918	$25,833		

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
O. Public relations, unrestricted				
1. VS/CI chair	$ 8	$ 150	$ 150	Travel, phone, supplies
2. Voters Guides	2,235	4,500	3,600	Matched by D. 1.
3. Public Subscription Service	1,641	2,400	2,500	Matched by D. 2.
4. Voters service pubs & projects	367	600	700	Redo Voter Reg. bklt.; Voters Guides to MALs & S.U.
5. Unreimbursed expenses	0	100	100	
Sub-total O	$ 4,251	$ 7,750	$ 7,050	
P. Program, unrestricted				
1. Research on new items	$ 0	$ 1,500	$ 250	To complete HCMI
2. Inf. & educ. previous studies	1,413	1,500	1,500	Research, updates & conf.
3. Coalitions & Associations	107	200	225	
4. Publications	-	2,600	-	
a. Facts & Issues	4,795	-	1,500	HCMI
b. Focus	0	-	800	Special Districts; Public School Finance
c. Leaders Guides	0	-	250	HCMI
5. Unreimbursed expenses	1,177	1,000	1,000	
Sub-total P	$ 7,492	$ 6,800	$ 5,525	
Q. Pubs. and Projects, restricted	-	$50,000	-	
1. When You Go to Austin	$ 2,717	-	$ 5,000	
2. Debates	0	-	15,000	
3. Other projects	32,317	-	30,000	Includes TX Govt. Hdbk.
Sub-total Q	$35,034	$50,000	$50,000	
R. Local League restricted funds				
1. Projects	$ 6,712	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	Approved proj., less 5% fee
2. Purchases	3,084	6,500	6,500	Purchase of pubs, etc.
Sub-total R	$ 9,796	$13,000	$13,000	

	ACTUAL 84-85	BUDGET 85-86	PROPOSED 86-87	EXPLANATION
S. Office	$40,768	$92,505	-	
1. Payment on loan	-	-	$66,400	Principal & int. on loan
2. Expenses	-	-	7,600	Insurance, condo. fee, taxes
3. Capital fund drive	-	-	2,000	Fundraising costs
Sub-total S	$40,768	$92,505	$76,000	
T. In-kind assistance	0	$ 2,500	$ 1,000	Balanced by F.
U. Local League sharing	0	$ 2,000	$ 2,500	LL share of state fundraising
V. Special fundraiser	0	0	$ 3,000	Expenses of Special fundraiser
TOTAL EXPENSES	$119,979	$199,473	$183,908	

REPORTS FROM LWV-TEXAS BOARD & OFF-BOARD DIRECTORS

MODELLE BRUDNER
Public Relations Vice-President

During the past year, press releases were issued on our positions and activities. The press conference held to announce our positions on the proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution was well covered by the press across the state.

Local Leagues and state units were encouraged to increase their visibility within their communities through the media. Instructive and informational sheets were issued in the monthly mailings from the state office to local League presidents and DPM subscribers to assist publicity chairs in this effort.

Development Director

A comprehensive report on the status of development was presented to the board in early January, 1986. While the state organization is not in difficulty at the present time, decisions were made to implement new ways of raising money in order to assure future funding of the state program. The following decisions have been implemented:

- Each board member will take an active role in developing new contributors so that the base of regular contributors can be expanded.
- A professional fund raiser has been hired to conduct a direct mail campaign for LWV-TEF. A report on the success of this venture will be presented at Council.
- We undertook a direct mail campaign for LWV-Texas in July, 1985 using contributors' names shared with us by LWVUS. That campaign grossed $4797. Expenses of $2091 left a net income of $2706.

The following contributions were received during the period February, 1985 to February, 1986:

CONTRIBUTOR	T/TEF	AMOUNT	LOCAL	STATE
The Barber Foundation	TEF	$ 300	$ 50	$ 250
Dresser Industries Foundation, Inc	TEF	1000	200	800
Anonymous Dallas Foundation	TEF	2500	500	2000
Jo Hardin Originals	TEF	200		200
Hershey Foundation	TEF	250		250
Harris & Eliza Kempner Fund	TEF	1000	200	800
National Health Care Debate (TDHS)	TEF	500		500
Southwestern Bell	TEF	500		500
Tandy Corporation	TEF	2000	400	1600
Texas Eastern Corporation	TEF	1000	280	720
Tracor	TEF	400	100	300
Member Contributions 6/85-12/85	TEF	350		350
National Gypsum Company	T	2500	500	2000
Member Contributions 6/85-12/85	T	34		34
Direct Mail/LWVUS Contributors	T	4797		2706

ROWENA RODGERS
Voters Service/Citizen Information Director

During the past year, we have published a Voters Guide for the November 1986 Amendment Election. Work is underway on a Voters Guide for the May 3 Primary Election which will include candidates for statewide offices.

Information has been provided to local Leagues about changes in the Election Code which affect their Voters Service schedule and plans. Local Leagues have been encouraged to work with Texas Human Serve in voter registration drives in agency and city offices.

FRANCI SMITH
Publications Director

During the past year the state League has been responsible for producing a number of publications. Delegates at the 1985 Convention directed that we study two new program items. Already published is the "Leader's Guide" and a revised edition of chapter three of Family Violence: The Battered Woman. To hold costs down this was typed in house, but produced by a printer.

Currently we are seeking grant money so that this revised publication might be printed in both Spanish and English versions. Also published this past year was an excellent publication by Diane Sheridan, Ten Steps to Reaching Member Agreement Successfully. We have had a very good response to it and have advertised the booklet for sale in the LWVUS Prospectus. This should help us reach a wider audience.

Another pamphlet already published is our Biennial Report 1985-87. We will use this report to aid us in general development activities and in searching for grant monies to help fund other publications and projects.

SCHEREL CARVER
Membership/State Units Director

The most significant change in membership this year was brought about by recruiting efforts of the LWVUS, which brought 260 new members into our state organization. Although statewide total membership was down 3% from last year, many local Leagues showed substantial gains.

The number of members at large increased to 189, up 12% from last year. About two-thirds of those MALs are organized into state Units, and three such Units have been formed since the 1985 LWV-Texas convention, bringing the total to eight Units. The new Units are in Bowie and Cherokee Counties in East Texas, and in Howard County in West Texas. Interest in the organization of state Units has been shown in several other areas of the state.

Organized under the state board of directors, each Unit brings together area members at large so that they can work together and participate in state and national program study and action, carry out voters service and survey community needs and assets. The state Unit is often a step toward provisional local League status. In many smaller communities the state Unit may not grow large, but serves to bring the League presence and influence to areas where no local League exists. Our isolated members at large serve the same function in their communities.

SONDRA FERSTL
Field Service Director

There are eight field service representatives serving 35 local Leagues in Texas. Some field service representatives work with as many as six different Leagues. Who are these members of the field service network? Often they are former local League presidents. Several have state League board experience. It is their responsibility to maintain communication between the local Leagues and the state board. They receive the VOTERs and board minutes from each local League assigned to them. There is additional contact by telephone and letter.

The most frequent request from local Leagues to field service representatives is for board training for the local League. In addition the field service network responds to inquiries and requests from local League board members. Sometimes a phone call is sufficient to handle the matter; at other times a personal visit to a local League is appropriate. A number of field service representatives participated in the counterpart workshops held last fall.

A meeting of field service representatives has been tentatively scheduled for late spring. There will be some changes in personnel and in League assignments, so local Leagues should be alert to a possible change of representative.

Planned for the balance of this year are:

Leader's guide and Facts & Issues on Health Care for the Medically Indigent (early summer)

A publication on special purpose districts in Texas (late fall)

An updated version of the Texas Government Handbook (summer)

A new edition of When You Go to Austin (early 1987)

Publications are a most valuable League service to members and to the public. We appreciate your efforts to help market our publications. Selling them can also be a money-making project for local Leagues which have the opportunity to buy at member prices and/or quantity discounts and then sell to local interested parties. Thank you for your help this past year.

RACHEL GOOCH
Organization Vice-President

The League of Women Voters of Texas continues to expand its influence through development of new state Units and an increase in the number of members at large scattered around the state. The Big Spring/Howard County State Unit was organized in the fall. Several state Units are approaching provisional League status, and we encourage their development toward this goal. Others provide a limited League presence in communities not large enough to support a local League.

Although a decline in total membership after three years of increasing numbers is disappointing, a small drop in political interest the year after a presidential election year is to be expected. Despite the overall decline in membership, a number of local Leagues did show substantial gains.

The field service representatives work diligently to provide local Leagues with board training, advice, and ongoing contact with the state League. Several new field service representatives were selected and trained this year. Continuity was maintained despite a board vacancy of several months in the field service director portfolio. Local League board members who received board training by the FSRs were asked to evaluate their experience, and the response was overwhelmingly positive.

Last fall two regional counterpart workshops dealt with topics requested by the areas' local Leagues. Later, success stories presented at the workshops were shared with Leagues throughout the state. Now we are following through on workshop suggestions from local Leagues, such as arranging for the purchase of the LWV-Illinois membership film, and organizing regional caucuses for local Leagues at Council.

1985-86 PROFILE OF TEXAS LEAGUES

LEAGUE	ORG. DATE	*MI./ S.O.	POPULATION	MEMBERSHIP 1/85	MEMBERSHIP 1/86	BASIC DUES	1985-86 BUDGET	***ATTENDED SC	***ATTENDED RW
Abilene	1952	221	98,315	33	31	$ 20	$ 3,618	x	
Amarillo	1951	484	149,230	43	33	25	4,595	x	
Arlington	1981	201	160,113	100	88	25	6,410	x	
Austin Area	1919	-	419,573	343	377	30	20,042/ 15,150 Ed Fund	x	
Bay Area	1965	198	100,000	124	99	25	11,025	x	x
Baytown	1954	188	56,923	60	48	35	4,375	x	x
Beaumont	1947	237	118,102	143	117	25	12,675	x	x
Brazos County	1966	102	93,588	122	107	26	8,832	x	
Corpus Christi	1945	192	231,999	152	120	25	7,828	x	x
Dallas	1938	205	904,078**	561	574	30	32,280/ 19,300 Ed Fund	x	x
Denton	1961	228	48,063	99	113	30	7,275	x	x
Edinburg/McAllen	1949	300	90,356	43	25	22.50	1,194		
El Paso	1919	585	425,259	89	66	35	6,100	x	
Gainesville	1977	261	14,081	14	23	25	1,682	x	x
Galveston	1919	210	61,902	68	69	25	7,080		
Houston Area	1919	163	1,595,138**	604	603	25	35,512/ 31,942 Ed Fund	x	x
Irving	1959	212	109,943	54	79	25	9,246	x	x
Kerrville Area	1983	104	15,276**	53	51	25	3,002	x	
Lubbock	1952	388	173,979	155	118	27	10,064	x	
Marshall/Harrison Co.	1978	280	52,265	43	37	25	3,000	x	
Midland	1941	318	70,525	33	33	25	3,200	x	
Montgomery County	1979	158	128,487	46	37	25	3,587	x	
Odessa	1952	338	90,027	14	15	20	861		
Orange Area	1974	262	23,628**	22	25	25	1,541	x	
Pearland Area	1972	179	13,248**	34	34	20	1,270		x
Plano	1976	225	72,331	71	62	26	8,625	x	x
Richardson	1961	220	72,496	67	65	25	12,550	x	x
San Antonio Area	1919	81	786,023**	208	184	30	20,682	x	
San Marcos	1962	30	23,420	40	44	20	2,048	x	
Sherman	1973	272	30,413	68	71	25	8,065	x	x
Tarrant County	1941	192	770,767	173	200	30	31,556	x	x
Tyler	1951	225	70,508	56	52	30	4,688	x	
Victoria	1955	121	50,695	72	66	25	6,468	x	x
Waco Area	1949	105	101,261**	78	86	26	6,519	x	x
Wichita Falls	1950	287	94,201	36	28	25	3,465	x	
				3,921	3,781				

*Number of miles from State Office; **City only; ***SC-State Convention, RW-Regional Workshops.

Council Workbook
April 1986

PERIODIC PROGRAM REVIEW PROPOSAL

Louise Cummins

Periodic Program Review is designed to allow League members to review program positions on a regularly scheduled basis. During the time of review, members will be asked to decide, based on established criteria, whether to drop or retain program positions.

All state program will be placed on a review schedule and will be reviewed according to this schedule:

Government (including State-Local Relations, Modernizing State Government, Administration of Justice, Intestacy, etc.) to be reviewed in 1987.
Natural Resources to be reviewed in 1989.
Social Policy (including Health Care, Domestic Violence, Post-Divorce Payments, etc.) to be reviewed in 1991.

Program review will be discussed and voted on according to the review schedule at state League conventions during the time provided for program adoption.

Each biennium, the LWV-Texas will appoint a program review committee composed of no more than seven people, with no more than four people from the state board as members. Responsibilities of this committee will be to examine state program positions scheduled for review and make recommendations to the state board. The state board will submit the report to local Leagues. The chair of the program review committee will report to the convention.

The following criteria will be used by the program review committee to evaluate positions:

1. The program position is used to lobby and is current and relevant.

2. The program position is understood by the membership and they can explain the positions when asked to take action based on it.

3. The program position does not duplicate a national position and is necessary to define League principles explicitly.

4. The program position is in an area where the League can make a significant contribution.

DIANE SHERIDAN
Program Vice-President

State-level education and advocacy on League issues are the province of LWV-Texas' fourteen program people. Directors work on- or off-board to cover the wide range of state items and national items on which we take action at the state level. In order to manage these portfolios, the state board's program core set priorities and goals and developed work plans at its first meeting of the biennium last June. At each successive board meeting, we have evaluated progress and revised plans to meet changing needs. A report of our activities from last February to this February follows.

Since one of our major goals is improved communication with local Leagues, we invite you to talk to our specialists while at council, both during time set aside for that purpose and during social time.

In an effort to improve both state and local League ability to manage state program, the board has approved guidelines for in-depth Periodic Program Review. These attached guidelines will be the subject of an afternoon discussion at council. Their usefulness as well as their relationship to the current program adoption process will be considered by delegates. Council delegates will have the chance to accept, amend, or delete the proposals. If delegates accept Periodic Program Review, the state board will implement the guidelines in the coming months.

Four general program publications have been produced this year. We Support is a slick pamphlet for the use of both League members and the public who need to know what positions LWV-Texas holds. Program Perspectives, updated after each biennial state convention, lists and explains all our state positions and how they are used. The Local League Program Index is a chart that shows the positions and studies of each local League in Texas, providing inspiration and a source of assistance to other Leagues interested in the same topics. Ten Steps to Reaching Member Agreement Successfully was produced in response to member requests for help in handling consensus and concurrence.

The production of state Voters Guides provides program directors with the challenge of developing both good questions for candidates and the pros and cons of constitutional amendments. Research on the fourteen amendments for the November, 1985 election was extensive. The determination of whether or not we could or should take positions on those amendments, especially the two relating to water, occupied our thoughts for several months. Three more amendments will be on the November, 1986 ballot.

In order to increase our clout and consolidate work forces, the League participates in several coalitions, which were listed in a fall memo to local Leagues.

The state board participates in LWVUS program planning, just as local Leagues do. Our recommendations for 1986-88 include support for the suggested human needs study as well as a new study of immigration. We oppose the dropping of Urban Policy and the suggested drinking water survey. At council, during the meeting of state and local League national convention delegates, we will discuss the desirability of concerted action on these or other issues.

Lest it appear that state program is all work and no fun, "Ms. Program's Guide to Excruiatingly Correct League Study and Action" is provided in the scheduled state office mailings to local Leagues. Ms. Program provides updates on program activities as well as solutions to those pesky problems that plague program people.

Hazardous Waste Director

Comprehensive hazardous waste legislation and fees to fund it were major legislative priorities. The League helped draft comprehensive legislation that implemented the recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on Hazardous Waste Management, on which we were represented. Local League response to an Action Alert helped convince legislators to support HB 2358 and HB 2359, and passage occurred in the final hours of the session. Several major rulemakings are required to implement these laws, and the League is monitoring and testifying on them.

The other significant bill supported by the League was the Hazard Communication Act or right-to-know bill. Although it was passed by the legislature, the act was not funded, so implementation is limited.

Superfund reauthorization is the major congressional bill of concern to us. The state League, as well as many local Leagues, responded to the LWVUS Action Alert on the House bill. The inability to determine how to fund cleanup of dangerous sites has prevented passage of this important legislation. Funding it is a particularly sensitive issue in Texas since our petrochemical companies currently pay most of the nation's Superfund tax and could bear the brunt of funding proposals that rely heavily on feedstock taxes.

LWV-TEF completed the major part of the Keystone Education Project with publication in July 1985 of a training manual designed to help local review committees function during the siting of hazardous waste management facilities. The Ed Fund project was featured in the Winter, 1986 LWVUS VOTER.

The LWVUS Ed Fund gave LWV-TEF a small grant to sponsor a meeting on waste reduction and provide for use of a slide-tape show on that topic. The meeting, held in Houston in July, 1985, attracted participants from environment/public interest groups, government, and industry.

The LWV-Texas is represented in a Keystone Center workshop series on ocean disposal of hazardous waste, slated for completion this summer. The League also will be part of a Keystone Center series on a national hazardous waste management strategy, which will begin this spring with consensus-building on waste reduction.

Land Use, Energy, and Solid Waste Director

LWV-Texas endorsed COASTWEEK 85 and obtained the governor's endorsement also. Local Leagues were encouraged to sponsor activities to celebrate the coast. Plans are underway for COASTWEEK 86.

The 1985 and 1986 Wilderness PowWows were cosponsored by the League to draw attention to our wilderness resources.

Legislative action in the land use area focused on support for reauthorization of the Texas Coastal and Marine Council, but the agency was terminated by the legislature.

LWV-Texas cosponsored the second Electric Utilities Dialogue in 1985.

Container deposit legislation was promoted but not passed in the 69th legislative session. A concerted campaign to pass it in 1987 is forming. Other solid waste legislative activity focused on funding for solid waste programs and on allowing the Texas Department of Health to assess administrative penalties. The agency's Resource Recovery Advisory Council was not funded by the legislature, but its members have chosen to fund their own participation in order to continue to promote resource recovery.

The League needs specialists in Land Use, Energy, and Solid Waste who want to lobby during the next legislative session. We would appreciate suggestions from local Leagues for off-board directors in these areas.

LOIS CARPENTER
Juvenile Justice Director

There is juvenile probation news in four areas:

- As a result of passage of legislation which we supported in the last session, the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission is in the process of drafting standards for juvenile detention facilities.

- Some juvenile probation funds have been used for the past year to train providers of foster-home care for troubled juveniles--a diversion effort that is working well so far.

- Juvenile probation departments along the border with Mexico are reporting good cooperation from Mexican authorities in efforts to deal humanely and effectively with alien juveniles. They are finding that Mexico does have some appropriate detention facilities for those who need them, and that most of the young people whose offenses are not serious do have caring families in Mexico, to whom they can be released. Care is taken to arrange transportation all the way home, not just across the border.

- The Texas Youth Commission experienced increased committments in fiscal year 1985 (ending Aug. 31) with an average of 192 per month. During the first five months of FY 1986 however, committments have been down to 150 per month. A large part of this reduction can be attributed to good work by local juvenile probation departments.

EVELYN BONAVITA
Legislative Director

Since the legislative session ended in May, the League legislative office has continued to maintain a presence in the state Capitol and to keep up with the coalitions in which we are active members. We have begun work on the sunset process, focusing on the Texas Department of Human Services, and have attended meetings of the Sunset Commission and talked to staff. We are working with Texans for Children, the group trying to increase AFDC payments, to organize efforts to testify on needed changes in the human needs area.

I have met frequently with environmentalists who helped us on hazardous waste and water legislation last year and have monitored meetings of interim legislative committees concerned with water districts and river authorities, groundwater, and sewage treatment. I have also attended regular breakfast sessions with other public interest lobbyists to share information and to establish contacts.

By continuing to work with lobbyists, legislative staff, and others in the Capitol, the League keeps in touch with issues that are going to be important in the next session, determines where support lies for League concerns, and considers whether or not League positions play a part in the upcoming legislature.

Public Policy on Reproductive Choice Director

During the last session of the Texas legislature, the League and other pro-choice groups worked successfully to defeat a drastic anti-abortion bill that would have severely limited a woman's right to an abortion. However, in the final hours of the session, legislation setting up licensing and reporting procedures for abortion clinics was passed, becoming part of the responsibilities of the Department of Health. Pro-choice supporters were generally favorable to this legislation because we were concerned that far more restrictive laws might be passed if this relatively harmless amendment failed.

During the interim we have monitored the hearing on the proposed rules for the licensing and reporting procedures. We have testified that we wanted the identity of the patient to remain confidential at all times when abortion clinics report on the procedures that they perform.

SALLY COUCHLIN
Health Care for the Medically Indigent Director

This is a new study item which will allow the League to reach a consensus and adopt a position to influence state governmental policy on health in the future if members reach agreement. The topic is one which leads to discussions of federal funding, state and local fiscal responsibility, ethical and legal ramifications, and most importantly, human needs.

Since LWV-Texas convention delegates adopted this new study item in April 1985, research on the available material on this item has been pursued. League interest in health care has been exhibited by local Leagues many times through the years, but this study came to the convention as one recommended by the state League board. The focus of the study is on who the indigent are, who provides for them, who is eligible for care, who pays and for what services. Since it is a state study, the state's role in health care is emphasized.

The adoption of this study came just before passage of the proposed Indigent Health Care Package in a special June legislative session. The package was a result of some of the recommendations from the Governor's Task Force on Indigent Health Care. The task force report has provided excellent background material for the League study.

Implementation of those bills which address county responsibility, improved access for primary care, and maternal and infant health care begins in September, 1986. Part of the research done these past months has centered on the responsibilities of the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Department of Human Services in the implementation of these new services for the indigent. Interviews, public meetings, and conferences have provided information.

Other sources of information with various perspectives on the problems of caring for the indigent have included governor's task force members, community service volunteers, nurses, doctors, home health care providers, lawyers, writers, Texas Medical Association and Texas Hospital Association staff, and elected officials.

A statewide committee of several vitally interested League members, and communication with some local Leagues about their specific problems have helped provide a broad-based collection of information. Local Leagues have been encouraged to continue to document their own community needs as the state prepares a Facts & Issues for publication in early summer with consensus to follow in the fall. Interest has been genuine and encouraging, and we are excited by our study of this important issue.

LOUISE CUMMINS
Government Director

The government portfolio includes Redistricting, Financing State Government, Executive, Legislative, Judicial, State-Local Relations, Texas Constitutional Revision, and Initiative and Referendum. We had hoped that Redistricting would be a top priority in the 69th legislative session, but our hopes were quickly dashed. A redistricting bill was introduced in the House and in the Senate, but legislators showed little interest in it. Most of the legislative work in this portfolio dealt with Financing State Government.

In November the League opposed a constitutional amendment that would give the legislature oversight of agency budgets between legislative sessions. In spite of our opposition and that of most major newspapers, the amendment passed.

At the direction of convention delegates, we are beginning research for a publication on special districts, including municipal utility districts. The publications is planned for next winter.
The new proposal for managing state League program, Periodic Program Review, will be presented at council. I have been formulating the presentation about it with an eye toward reviewing Government positions.

BARBARA MC CORMICK
Social Policy/Human Resources Director

When the 69th Texas Legislature ended, it had raised the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) benefits to $57 per month per recipient, strengthened child-care regulations somewhat, commenced a brief examination of the issue of pay equity and equal employment opportunity, and passed hunger and emergency relief legislation. The League of Women Voters of Texas supported all of these.

At the national level, we lobbied unsuccessfully for the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1985. In the coming months, we expect to lobby successfully for the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1986.

Last summer, the Texas Department of Human Services announced plans for a National Debate on Health Care complementing the heightened state interest in health care issues, including health care for the indigent. The League of Women Voters of Texas Education Fund was asked to cosponsor this symposium. We have participated in the planning for the event and will provide League moderators and other workers for the debate discussion sessions.

As a result of our participation, members of local League indigent health care committees will be able to attend the conference and work further to inform their Leagues and communities about various health care issues addressed during the debates, especially indigent health care.

As the SP/HR portfolio responsibilities have increased, we have added an Associate Director, Reggie Turetzky, to address Medicaid and other Department of Human Services' programs.

MATEELE RITTGERS
Women Under Texas Law Director

The study of Women Under Texas Law was adopted at Convention 1981. The LWV-Texas has positions on post-divorce payments, spousal rape, intestacy laws, and funding of programs to reduce domestic violence. In January 1985 our position on domestic violence was adopted.

During the 1985 legislative session, none of the bills introduced on spousal rape and post-divorce payment were passed into law. There were few bills introduced on intestacy laws or funding of domestic violence programs on which the League could take action.

Delegates to the state League convention in April 1985 adopted a new study on domestic violence to investigate the laws, policies, and procedures as they pertain to cases of domestic violence in Texas. The consensus deadline on the new study is May 12, 1986. If member agreement is reached, a new position on domestic violence will be announced this summer, and efforts to promote legislation will begin.

ROWENA RODGERS
Election Laws Director

A bill recodifying the election code was passed by the 1985 legislature and became effective January 1, 1986. The recodification was a result of more than a year's work by the Joint House-Senate Select Committee on Election Code Revision and its Advisory Committee. I represented the LWV-Texas on the advisory committee. The League actively supported the recodification bill during the legislative session. With passage of this legislation, our position on recodification has been achieved after many years of advocacy, including 1981 when a recodification bill passed the House but not the Senate.

DIANA CLARK
Judicial Associate Director

With the sustained lack of interest and support of most legislators for any change in the method of selecting the state judiciary, one might think this issue is a dead one for the forseeable future. However, there are pockets here and there where the issue remains alive; the legal profession is one. But even here there is no unanimity--the trial lawyers are adamantly opposed to any change. At council, we will have a chance to quiz Senator Kent Caperton who sponsored merit selection legislation in the last session to see what his "ear to the ground" tells him of the possibility of success in the next session.

Adult Justice Associate Director

AJ has been a League program item since 1975 but has not been an action priority for the last two legislative sessions. Under the proposed Periodic Program Review, AJ (together with other Government issues) will be evaluated by the membership as to interest and knowledge of the subject and whether or not it should be retained.

At the same time as the League is engaging in this retrospective look at Texas' system of criminal justice, the state itself, through the "sunset" process is reviewing all state agencies which make up the adult and juvenile justice systems. As this workbook goes to press, the Sunset Commission is beginning to hold public hearings on their proposals for change in the various agencies. The evaluation of the Department of Corrections, however, will not be completed until the fall. Therefore, recommendations for combining some or all agencies will not be revealed until then.

The state League board decided last fall not to participate in the sunset process for the justice agencies partly because both the writer and our state president are members of the adult and juvenile probation commissions respectively, but also because of other program priorities and lack of local League interest in this topic. You will be kept informed of the recommendations for possible areas of renewed League interest.

CAROL FLATTEN
National Program Coordinator

Financing the Federal Government - The tax reform legislation which was covered in the first part of the national study is still to be decided in the U. S. Senate. We will soon be responding to an Action Alert urging acceptance of the League's position which is generally in favor of a broadening of the tax base with minimal preferences and a progressive rate structure.

National Security - The LWVUS timely study and consensus on National Security provided us the opportunity to lobby against funding for the Strategic Defense Initiative (Star Wars). We wrote to the four members of the Texas delegation who supported the cuts to thank them and to urge them to lobby fellow congressmen. We wrote letters to the rest of the delegation with a full argument in favor of the cuts.

The second part of the National Security study was "Evaluating U.S. Relations with Developing Countries." We distributed a tape entitled "The Third World Challenge" for local League use.

KATHY JACOB
Air Associate Director

The Texas Air Control Board (TACB) underwent review in 1985 and came out a changed agency. The League worked hard to achieve the following provisions:

- to improve enforcement, the TACB now has the power to levy administrative penalties instead of only being able to have the attorney general initiate court suits. Provisions were made for enforcement proceedings to begin if a violation was still occurring after 180 days. Monthly enforcement reports must be made and sent to the attorney general and the governor.

- an environmentalist must have a seat on the TACB

- permit renewals are required every 15 years

- a study committee was appointed to determine how to implement permit renewals and whether ship emissions and grandfathered facilities should be regulated. The LWV-Texas has been following the implementation of this new law and the study committee's deliberations.

In conjunction with interested local Leagues, LWV-Texas also monitors

implementation of the Clean Air Act in local areas. Three major areas of our state have not reached the clean air standard: El Paso, Dallas-Ft. Worth, and Houston. The League supports inspection and maintenance programs for autos in these areas and is monitoring the plans TACB has been making for achieving the standard in these areas.

The LWV-Texas will be working on standards for toxic air pollution. The Bhopal and West Virginia incidents have made us redouble our efforts to enact a set of standards for these toxic emissions. Also, monitoring acid rain effects in Texas, especially in the eastern piney woods, bears our attention. The above areas of concern are not just confined to Texas. The LWV-Texas has worked hard in the past and will continue to do so in the future until the national Clean Air Act is reauthorized to include acid rain abatement regulations, and toxic emissions standards.

KAREN MILLER
Public School Finance Associate Director

The 69th Legislature did little to change the far-reaching reforms enacted for public education in 1984. Despite a revenue shortage, funding for public schools remained intact and a formula was adopted to fund programs for the gifted and talented. Although HB 72 reduced the differences between rich and poor districts, large disparities remain and may increase as local districts increase property taxes.

The State Board of Education (SBOE) is working on a report to the legislature of the annual average accountable costs to districts to meet accreditation standards. The League is monitoring the advisory Average Annual Program Accountable Costs Committee, the SBOE Finance Committee, the SBOE Long Range Planning Committee as well as the SBOE.

The League has participated in several school finance symposia which have examined problems in the school finance system and have looked toward planning strategies for 1987.

The League is monitoring the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations which is developing a study of the implementation of HB 72 by local school districts. The Commission anticipates a long-term study with interim reports to the legislature.

CATHERINE PERRINE
Water Associate Director

After almost a whole session of wrangling, the legislature passed a "water package" in May--contigent on the voters' approval in November. The League liked the conservation requirements for recipients of state financial aid; the improvements (admittedly minor) in provisions for local groundwater districts; and the strengthening (also minor) of provisions for freshwater inflows to bays and estuaries. We would have liked better safeguards against future drains on state revenues for repayment of the proposed $1.2 million in bonds.

In September the state League board voted to support the propositions that would appear as Amendments 1 and 2 on the ballot, authorizing the water bonds and enacting the rest of the water legislation. In November, Texas voters approved the amendments by margins of more than 70%.

Another major water bill was the sunset legislation that terminated the Texas Department of Water Resources, dividing the agency's responsibilities between the Water Commission and the Water Development Board. Implementation began on September 1, 1985 but realignments of powers and revisions of rules are continuing into 1986.

Legislative committees and committees created by the 1985 Legislature have begun their interim meetings. Of special interest is the Water District and River Authority Study Committee, which is made up of Senators Montford and Sharp, Representatives Buchanan and Roberts, and six citizen members. It will be meeting at nine locations around the state to hear from and about these agencies.

Several local Leagues have been studying proposals for new water supply projects in their areas. And the Austin Area League has been working (by petition to the Water Commission) for the formation of a groundwater management district in the Austin area of the Edwards Aquifer.

I have been serving since June on a Texas Rural Water Task Force chaired by Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower. This is a foundation-supported project and has had three meetings thus far: one in Austin with state agency people; one at Prairie View A&M with septic tank experts; and one in McAllen with people concerned about water and sewer service to the colonias. Next we look at groundwater problems in rural areas.

It's time to gather ideas for legislative action in the next session. Please let me know if you have suggestions for League work on water issues.

REGGIE TURETZKY
Social Policy/Human Resources Associate Director

Research is currently being conducted for an explanation of Texas Medicaid programs, scheduled to appear in the July Texas VOTER. This paper will help local Leagues during their study of Health Care for the Medically Indigent (HCMI). Also, I am serving on the (HCMI) committee and helping the League to monitor sunset review of the Texas Department of Human Services.

COUNCIL WORKBOOK
April 1986

COUNCIL EVALUATION

Please complete and return this form either as you leave the final session or by mail to: LWV-Texas, 1212 Guadalupe, #107, Austin TX 78701.

Your candid and thoughtful evaluations will assist in future planning.

PLEASE RATE THE FOLLOWING: 6 = excellent 1 = poor

Tour of Texas A&M	6	5	4	3	2	1
Speaker Luncheon	6	5	4	3	2	1
Plenary Sessions	6	5	4	3	2	1
Wine Tasting/Dinner	6	5	4	3	2	1
Presidents' Breakfast.	6	5	4	3	2	1
Counterpart Breakfast.	6	5	4	3	2	1

What did you like most about Council?

What suggestions do you have for procedures, arrangements, or activities for future councils?

THANK YOU