

VOUCHERS

Vouchers should be submitted on a regular basis. Keep receipts of phone bills (xerox copy of your phone bill), plane receipts, etc. The budget letters (03B1 for example) will remain basically the same as last year, so use the May balance sheet as an example until next year's is ready. LWV-Texas T accounts will be changing as Program Core decides what will be funded and how much.

Please fill in the budget letters whenever possible.

In general, the policy sheet now funds at the following rates:
mileage \$.15 per mile if one is in the car
\$.18 if two or more in car

lodging--single room rates may be paid for those traveling alone on League business. Otherwise, rooms should be shared whenever possible. Those who choose a single room when there is an opportunity to share will be reimbursed for one-half the rate of a double room. (For board meetings, the Treasurer will pay the bill for the room. You will pay the hotel for any other charges you make.)

Meals: For a 24 hour period \$13.00
For a shorter period \$2.00 for breakfast
\$3.00 for lunch
\$8.00 for dinner
(you do not need your receipts for meals at board meetings)

Child care- \$20 per day.

Please keep track of what you spend and do not wish reimbursement for. This adds up over a year's time, and we try to reflect it in our budget.

TEXAS EDUCATION FUND

You may be asked to supervise an Education Fund Project. You need to familiarize yourself with the EdFund Handbook. The trouble areas to look for are:

Making sure that the local League gives credit to the League of Women Voters of Texas Education Fund

Making sure that you see the copy before it goes to press.

Making sure that all the necessary forms are in before you forward the financial portion to the treasurer for payment.

Getting the paperwork back to both the secretary and the treasurer as expediently as possible.

EXPENSE VOUCHER

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Address: 11111 1st St, San Francisco, CA 94103

(Zip)

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USE SEPARATE VOUCHERS FOR T AND TEF EXPENDITURES

TO: Program VP or Action Chair/LL Pres.;
State Unit Chairs; DPM
FROM: Evelyn Bonavita, Legislative Dir., LWV-Tx.
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LWV-Texas
January 1986
LL Pres. Mailing; DPM
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Action - State

SETTING LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

At the January board meeting program directors discussed, very tentatively, what they foresee will be some of the legislative priorities of the League during the 1987 session of the legislature. Since we will have completed two new state studies, one on Domestic Violence (part II) and one on Health Care for the Medically Indigent, the board decided that these two subjects would be emphasized--if we come to consensus on them, of course.

The primary issue, we felt, would probably be the financing of state government, and our ability to function in this area depends on whether or not our longstanding positions can apply and whether we have a willing volunteer to take the portfolio. As an important part of the total finance picture, public school finance will once again be a big issue. As you know, schools have been a primary concern to Texans in the past few years, and League members have always been extremely interested in education. HB 72 changed the method of funding education, and programs which were mandated under the bill were not fully funded by the state.

Other topics which were mentioned were redistricting, because 1987 certainly is not too soon to change the method of redrawing legislative and congressional boundaries; and public policy on reproductive choice, which we think will probably once again be of importance to some legislators.

In the Natural Resources area, some kind of groundwater protection legislation will probably be considered. Voters who live over the Edwards Aquifer in central Texas and are contending with a company attempting to build an oil pipeline over the aquifer certainly do not think there are adequate safeguards in state law. Furthermore, the question of pesticide control and the possible damage pesticides can do to groundwater may be an issue in 1987.

Under Social Policy/Human Resources, AFDC will almost certainly be a League priority, as may child care and pay equity issues for state employees. There is concern now about the possible consequences of cutbacks in federal funds because of Gramm-Rudman, but until we know more about this we cannot determine how we as a League can respond.

We will be paring this list at the June board meeting when we know more about the financial condition of the state, as well as our consensus on Domestic Violence, and the progress of other issues. We wanted to let local Leagues know our thoughts on these issues so that you could provide any additional ideas you may have on League priorities. We also hope this preview will help Leagues anticipate which program portfolios to fill when selecting chairs this spring. Our effectiveness during the legislative session will depend on local League assistance in lobbying their legislators on state League priorities.

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