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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, March 17, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Holden, Frankenstein, von Phul, Willette, Passmore, Scott, Allemsworth, Sexauer, Parker, Ashford, Herder, Ewart, and Lecznar, and Miss Otela Kelley. Non-board members, Mrs. Mayfield and Mrs. Raidt also attended. Mrs. Passmore presided.

Minutes of the February 16 regular board meeting and the two special meetings on March 10 were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Mrs. Passmore welcomed new board members and thanked old members for their service during the past year. She announced that orientation for new board members would be postponed until April, or possibly, May.

Mrs. Parker reported that two successful Leaders' Workshop meetings had been conducted on March 11 and 15. She made a motion that we increase our order for board materials so that copies would be available to unit leaders. The motion was seconded and carried.

Following a brief discussion of plans being made by her resource committee, Mrs. Scott made a motion that the board approve the first step which is an attempt to make an analysis of group thinking in San Antonio about international cooperation. The motion was seconded and carried. The activity of Mrs. Scott's committee would be based on the guide for community action entitled "Working Together for International Cooperation".

Mrs. Frankenstein reported that the County Survey was being well received, and read several complimentary letters.

Mrs. Passmore announced a meeting at her home, Friday evening, March 19, at 7 p.m. for delegates to the State Convention.

Mrs. Allemsworth nominated Mrs. von Phul as an official delegate to National Convention. The nomination was seconded and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Mrs. Sexauer nominated Mrs. Parker as the other official delegate. The nomination was seconded and Mrs. Parker was unanimously elected.

Mrs. Passmore announced that we would be permitted to have several visitors to the National Convention and since a quick count showed seven members interested in attending, it was decided to ask for permission to send seven visitors.

Mrs. von Phul reported that suggestions had come from the units that the word "peace" should be included in the proposed National Platform, probably under principles 16, 17, or 28. Mrs. Allemsworth made a motion that Mrs. Passmore set up a committee to formulate the suggestion to add the word "peace" in the principles of the League Platform. The motion was seconded and carried.

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Mrs. Passmore appointed Mrs. von Phul, Mrs. Scott, and Mrs. Brookhausen.

The board next considered the second round of National Program recommendations. With regard to proposed National Item I the board was agreed that they liked the proposed item and would not favor modifying the wording.

With regard to proposed National Item II there were several questions and criticisms. The secretary was instructed to record the suggestions of the various board members to be included on the questionnaire as "board views" when it was returned to National office. The following summary was submitted by the secretary:

1. The wording is vague. It could as readily be approved by those who would destroy individual liberties as by those who would safeguard them.
2. The concept, that safeguarding individual liberty is essential to sound representative government, is not implied or expressed.
3. "Individual liberty" should be more carefully defined. Suggest "as defined in the first ten amendments".

Mrs. Passmore announced a Call For Action on National Item II which will go out to board members within a few days as board material.

Mrs. Passmore asked for the wishes of the board with regard to furnishing a list of members to be used in issuing invitations to a dinner honoring Mr. Edward Conroy, recipient of the Life Membership Award of the Am. Social Hygiene Assoc. The board was of the opinion ~~that~~ that Mrs. Passmore should furnish a list of board members only.

Mrs. Passmore announced a request by the City Federation of Women's Clubs that we cooperate in their Carnival of Nations to be held May 15, to consist of a luncheon sponsored by the World Trade Assoc. and the Chamber of Commerce, and a Carnival at La Villita from 4:30 to 10 p.m. The League was requested to furnish a booth on the United Nations and a skit on World Trade to be produced by actors associated with local theater groups at the Arneson River Theater. It was the feeling of the board that we should cooperate.

Mrs. Willette reported that with regard to planning meetings on political effectiveness, members seemed to want the meetings on mechanics handled through the unit set-up. The method for getting the platforms of the four factions represented by the two parties of the state was still a problem. The board discussed the difficulties and recommended that the Political Effectiveness Program be postponed to May with no general meeting in April.

The secretary read a letter addressed to the board from Mrs. Fred Attneave,

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who is a sub-chairman in charge of membership extension on the Membership Committee, offering her services to head up an aggressive campaign to extend League membership to minority groups. She asked for authority and responsibility, equal at least, to that of a board member (though not in so many words). She saw a need for more authority than she presently possessed in her role as a sub-chairman, because the program she contemplated would involve cooperation with many chairmen presently members of the board.

Mrs. Allensworth made a motion that Mrs. Attneave's suggestions be placed under the supervision of the Membership Chairman and that the President write a letter thanking Mrs. Attneave. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore stated that three board portfolios remained to be filled. Mrs. Scott made a motion that we appoint Mrs. Willie Jourdin to be chairman of National Item II, and that if the Item is changed under the new National Program, and it seems necessary, we help her to enlarge her committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Ashford moved that Marjorie McGown be asked by the President to assume the Publications portfolio. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Allensworth moved that the President ask Mrs. C.L. Schloss to take the Election Laws portfolio providing it doesn't mean giving up her Unit Group Leadership. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Meeting adjourned.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald R. Ashford
Secretary

Minutes approved
April 21, 1954

Regular Board Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters
January 27, 1954 (Continued)

Mrs. Willette reported the League sold 1000 poll taxes during the poll tax campaign.

The secretary was instructed to write letters of thanks to the Trinity University Players and to Mr. Carr of KTSA for their successful presentation of a 15 minute radio program dramatizing the poll tax campaign, Friday evening, January 22.

Mrs. von Phul gave the recommendations of the local program committee. Following minor changes in wording suggested by the board, she moved the board recommend as local program item I for the coming year: "A campaign of public education, based on the County Survey, as to the need in Bexar County for a modernized and efficient structure of government and the means to attain it." The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. von Phul moved that the board recommend as local program item II: "Continued support of the basic principles of Council-Manager government." The motion was seconded and carried.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Horner confirming her arrival on February 15. A board meeting with Mrs. Horner was set for February 16 at 10 a.m. The February general meeting was set for February 17 with Mrs. Horner as principle speaker. February 18 was planned as a day of conferences.

Since Mrs. Mayfield had to leave early, her written report on the January 13 general meeting was read by the secretary. Mrs. Mayfield stated that she had paid out \$11.25 for nine lunches because eight people were served who did not pay and we were held responsible for one additional reservation. She recommended the use of tickets in the future.

Mrs. Allensworth moved that the bill of \$11.25 for lunches be paid by the League. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. G. R. Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Scott, Wednesday, January 27, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Frankenstein, von Phul, Willette, Raidt, Passmore, Scott, Jourdin, Allenworth, Mayfield, Ashford, Ewart, and Miss Otela Kelley. Non-board members present were Mrs. Sam Jorrie, Mrs. Evans Wyatt, and Mrs. W. B. Lecznar.

The minutes of the December 30 regular board meeting were read and approved. There was no treasurer's report, the treasurer being absent.

Mrs. Jorrie presented the proposed budget and minor changes were made as follows:

Under "Expenses" the sum for "Publications" was reduced from \$250.00 to \$225.00. "President's Expense" was reduced from \$50.00 to \$25.00. The expense for "Know Your State" was moved from the classification, "Community Action" to the of "Committee Expense" and the amount of \$10.00 was set up. "Committee Expense" for "Unit Groups" was raised from \$25.00 to \$50.00. "Committee Expense" for "National Program Item I" was raised from \$10.00 to \$25.00. "State and National Pledge" was raised from \$1300.00 to \$1350.00. "Reserve" was reduced from \$200.00 to \$150.00.

Mrs. von Phul moved the adoption of the budget recommendations as amended. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Wyatt, Chairman, reported the recommendations of the Nominating Committee as follows:

For Second Vice-President: Mrs. William von Phul
Third Vice-President: Mrs. Will G. Sexauer
Treasurer: Mrs. John M. Holden
Director: Mrs. E. S. Ewart
Director: Mrs. Don F. Tobin
Director: Mrs. Paul Herder
Nominating Committee Chairman: Mrs. H. J. DeKanter
Nominating Committee Member: Mrs. Clifford Davis
Nominating Committee Member: Mrs. D. W. Norton

Miss Kelley moved the adoption of the Nominating Committee's report. The motion was seconded and carried.

The board discussed national board action on the Bricker Amendment. Mrs. Frankenstein was instructed to explain in the next bulletin the history of the attempted poll of local League members on the Bricker amendment. Mrs. Passmore asked for an expression of board reaction to the national board action and board members present were unanimously in favor of what the national board had done. The secretary was instructed to canvass the opinion of absent members in order that it might be added to the story in the bulletin.

Mrs. Ewart reported that we have had such a large growth in membership that at present 24% of our membership is new.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Gerald Ashford, Wednesday, March 16, 1955 at
1:30 PM.

Those present were Mesdames West, Holden, Davis, Wentworth, Fowler,
VonPhul, Martin, Sexauer, Willette, Passmore, Ray, Allensworth,
Benham and Ashford.

Mrs. Ashford welcomed the new board members and asked Mrs. Passmore
to orient the new board members briefly on their duties, board
policy and public relations.

Minutes of the February 16 regular board meeting, March 2, and
March 9 special meetings were read and approved.

Mrs. Holden read the treasurers report which was accepted and filed
for ~~the~~ auditing

Mrs. Allensworth reported that a letter had been written to the
City Manager requesting a copy of the proposed plans for an underground
parking garage at Main Plaza and asked for an opinion for the City
Attorney regarding certain sections of the City Charter pertaining
to this tentative lease. A copy of the letter is attached.

She reported that she had been asked to ~~moderate~~ moderate a panel
on the merits of Council Manager government at the City Federation
meeting in March. Also to coach and moderate a panel for the legis-
lative workshop of the City PTA Council.

Mrs. Willette reported on the adult education course being co-
sponsored by the League of Women Voters and St Mary's University
on "Privileges of Citizens". The first meeting on "Types of Municipal
Government" was held Monday night with 12 registered and several new
registrations anticipated. The Candidates meeting invitations have
been mailed out to 37 candidates for the City Council. Letters to
civic organizations asking for suggested questions on vital issues
had also been mailed.

A committee meeting of the chairmen of the Council Manager, Voters
Service, Public Relations, retiring president and President be held
Friday at 9:30 A.M. at the home of Mrs. Allensworth ~~be held~~ to
write the questions to be submitted to the Candidates for the City
Election.

Mrs. Allensworth was asked to further explore the possibility of
a TV program of 30 minutes on the types of local municipal government
with Mr. Uher of KENS-TV using Mr. Carey of St. Mary's University
to develop it with her.

Mrs. Von Phul reported that we have been very successful in our
public relations program especially in the field of Council Manager
engagements, referring to the two pending panel discussions and
publicity pertaining to them.

Mrs. Wentworth reported on the Call for Action on HB 392 - Dewey
Election Laws which is now out of committee with amendments attached.
She explained that amendment #3 was being firmly opposed since it
concerned principles of exemption certificates contrary to league
position.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
Wednesday, March 16, 1955 (Continued)

Mrs. Fowler, Unit chairman announced that a briefing meeting would be held at her home on March 31. The April unit meetings to be on state items since it was important that the Constitution study should be completed this spring.

The Presidential Council to be held in Austin, March 29,30 was discussed. Mrs. Davis reported that one of the main items to be considered was how the Constitutional revision item can be presented to the community. Those planning to attend for both days are : Mesdames Passmore, Von Phul, Scott and Ashford and those planning for attendance for parttime are Mesdames Wentworth, Martin, Davis, Ray, Vexler, Steinberg and Misses Noell and Kelley.

Mrs. Davis suggested that we co-sponsor a course on constitutional revision with St. Mary's University next fall after the state study has been completed. Possibilities of working with other local colleges was also discussed.

Mrs. Willette moved and it seconded and passed that an exploratory committee be appointed to investigate these possibilities. The president appointed the following committee: Mrs. Davis chairman, Von Phul, Wentworth, Willette, Wacker.

Mrs. West reported on the Individual Liberties conference in Tulsa. Her complete report is attached.

She announced that her committee would meet next week to set up the Initiating Committee.

In the absence of Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Von Phul reported on a letter received from a contributor concerning our position on National Item on Trade. Mrs. Von Phul had been asked to write the reply explaining the league position and how it is established, also quoting from the hearings on the item in the National Congressional Committee ~~xxxxxx~~ as published.

Mrs. Von Phul made a motion, seconded and passed that the League cooperate with the World Trade Week program if invited to do so.

Mrs. Ray, membership chairman reported that her problem was a three-fold one as she saw it: 1. getting members. 2. orientation of new members. 3. integration into the organization.

Mrs. Benham, chairman local item 1, County, stated that she had no report other than that she was clipping from papers items concerning county problems.

Mrs. Willette made a motion, seconded and passed that the regular board meetings be changed to the second Wednesday of the month.

The next board meeting is to be held at Mrs. Von Phul's on April 13, 1955 at 1:30 PM.

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Mrs. Von Phul made a motion that the following be appointed by the board to serve on the nominating committee for the ensuing year, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Fowler. Motion seconded and passed.

A general membership meeting to be held in April or May was discussed and Mrs. Ashford was asked to explore the possibilities of having Mrs. Horton Wayne Smith of Austin and State Chairman of Know Your State Item speak to that meeting.

Discussion of three unfilled portfolios namely, Bulletin, International Trade, and Council Manager was held but no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Jack Allensworth
Secretary

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS at the Y.W.C.A.,
Wednesday, March 9, 1955, at 10:00 P.M.

Those present were Mesdames Ashford, Holden, Sexauer, Martin, Ray, Davis and West.

Mrs. Ashford presided and stated that this special meeting had been called primarily to consider the assignments for new directors.

Mrs. West, Secretary Pro-tem, read a letter from Mrs. E. S. Ewart, submitting her resignation as Membership Chairman. Mrs. Will G. Sexauer moved that Mrs. Ewart's resignation be accepted with regret. The motion carried.

Mrs. Ashford spoke a few words of welcome to the new board members. She then read a list of recommended assignments for elected directors and of recommended assignments for appointed directors, as follows:

Elected directors:

First Vice President, Mrs. William von Phul, Public Relations
Second Vice President, Mrs. E. J. Wentworth, Election Laws
Third Vice President, Mrs. Will G. Sexauer, Asst. to President
Mrs. M. Winston Martin, Publications
Mrs. Wilbert S. Ray, Membership
Mrs. John Benham, Local Item I, County
Mrs. Clifford Davis, Know Your State
Mrs. Louis J. West, National Item II

Appointed directors:

Mrs. Paul L. Fowler, Unit Groups
Miss Otela Kelly, Finance
Mrs. Eugene P. Willette, Voters Service

Mrs. John M. Holden moved that the portfolios for elected directors be assigned as suggested. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. John M. Holden moved that the assignments for appointed directors be accepted as suggested. The motion was seconded and carried.

The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for March 16, 1955.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. Louis J. West
Secretary, Pro-tem

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REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the YWCA, 6:15 p.m., Wednesday March 9, 1955. ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. Passmore presided. About 35 members attended. The Secretary read the minutes of the February 11 general meeting which were approved as read.

The annual report of Mrs. Alleneworth, 1st Vice Pres., was read by Mrs. Sexauer. Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman and Mrs. Ashford, Secretary gave their reports.

The Secretary read a Meetings report from Mrs. Mayfield, who was absent. Mrs. Holden, Treasurer, presented her report for March 9 and her annual report, both of which were filed for audit.

The following chairmen and officers reported next: Mrs. Ewart on Membership, Miss Kelley on Finance, Mrs. Sexauer, 3rd Vice. Pres., Mrs. Fowler on Publications, Mrs. Lecznar on Bulletin, and Mrs. Willette on Voters Service.

The report of Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman, was read by Mrs. Ray.

On Program Portfolios, Mrs. Wentworth reported as State Legislative Chairman, Mrs. Scott reported on National Item I, Trade, and Mrs. West gave a report on National Item II, Individual Liberties.

Mrs. Ewart gave the recommendations of the Nominating Committee, proposing Mrs. D. W. Norton as Chairman of the Nominating Committee in place of Mrs. Eugene Willette who had withdrawn. The following officers and directors were nominated:

President: Mrs. Gerald Ashford
First Vice President: Mrs. William von Phul
Second Vice President: Mrs. Earl Wentworth (1 yr.)
Secretary: Mrs. Jack Allensworth
Directors, 2 yr. terms: Mrs. W. S. Ray
Mrs. M. W. Martin
Mrs. John Benham
Directors, 1 yr. term: Mrs. Clifford Davis
Mrs. L. J. West

Mrs. Passmore asked if there were any other nominations from the floor. There being none, she asked Mrs. Holden to act as Secretary pro-tem and instructed her to cast a unanimous ballot for the officers and directors, which was done.

The nominating committee presented the following nominees for the 1955-56 nominating committee:

Chairman: Mrs. D. W. Norton
Member: Mrs. R. G. Smith
Member: Mrs. R. H. Weinen

Mrs. Passmore asked if there were any other nominations from the floor. There being none, she instructed the Secretary, Mrs. Ashford, to cast a unanimous ballot for the new nominating committee, which was done.

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Regular General Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters
March 9, 1955 (Continued) ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. Lecznar presented the report of the By-Laws Committee. She submitted each of the proposed amendments to the By-Laws in the form of a motion, making nine successive motions, each of which was seconded and carried. The text of the adopted amendments is attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Schloss gave the report of the Budget Committee, recommending the following changes in the Budget as proposed: Reduce proposed budget for delegates from 350.00 to \$320.00; reduce postage from \$88.00 to \$80.00; increase telephone and telegraph from \$50 to \$150 to provide for a League telephone listing at the time of the next directory. As a result of these changes the Total Expenditures would amount to \$3935.00. Income figures on dues would be changed to read "310 members at \$3.50 - a total of \$1085.00 instead of \$1023.00. Total income would then be changed to \$3935.00 instead of \$3873.00.

Mrs. Schloss moved the adoption of the Budget as presented in the February Bulletin. The motion was seconded.

Mrs. Lecznar moved to change the budget as presented to conform to Mrs. Schloss' recommendations for changes above. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore called for a vote on the adoption of the main motion as changed. The motion was carried.

Mrs. von Phul gave the report of the local program committee, and moved the adoption of Item I, as follows: "A campaign of public education, based on the County Survey, as to the need in Bexar County for a modernized and efficient structure of government, and action in local areas to attain it! The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. von Phul moved the adoption of local program item II as follows: "Continued support of the basic principles of council-manager government!". The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore gave the President's annual report which was followed by standing applause. Then Mrs. Passmore charged the incoming officers, directors, and nominating committee, with their duties in a brief installation ceremony which concluded with the passing of the gavel to the new president.

Mrs. Ashford spoke briefly about the qualities needed for League achievement. She announced that visitors would be welcomed to the Presidents Council in Austin March 29 and 30.

The meeting adjourned.

Gerald Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, March 2, 1955, at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Passmore, Leoznar, Holden, Scott, West, Parker, von Phul, Willette, Wentworth, Allensworth, Fowler, Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley.

Mrs. Passmore presided and stated that this special meeting had been called primarily to consider whether the League of Women Voters should co-sponsor a course on the Privileges and Responsibilities of Citizenship with St. Mary's University.

Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Willette reported on an interview with Brother Schnepf and Mr. Kenneth Carey of St. Mary's. They outlined the features of such co-sponsorship and recommended that the League enter the project.

Following discussion, Mrs. Scott moved that we cooperate with St. Mary's University on this course. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Allensworth, Council-Manager Chairman, reported that following consultation with several officers and members of the board of directors she had appeared before the City Council on Feb. 24 to ask some questions concerning the proposed underground parking lot under Main Plaza. A copy of the questions is attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Allensworth stated that the answers to her questions were unsatisfactory, that we had not been able to determine which section of the charter applied to the lease agreement which was approved by the council, and that copies of the agreement were not made available to the public.

Following discussion, Mrs. von Phul moved that a formal request be sent, registered mail, return receipt requested, to Dr. Rice for 1. A copy of the contract, and 2. An opinion as to whether the contract conforms to pertinent sections of the charter, (we to cite them). The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. von Phul also moved that should we not receive the material at the end of a week, that copies of our letter and any reply be publicized at the discretion of the committee; if we did receive the material, further action would depend on our study of it. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Allensworth reported that KENS-TV would not be able to give us as much time as would be needed to hold candidates meetings on television. They would, however, give us 30 minutes for a panel or program on the city election if we desired. Board action on such a program was deferred pending developments.

Mrs. Allensworth made a motion that Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Passmore be the League delegates to the Presidents Council in Austin March 29 and 30 with expenses paid by the League. The motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, reported that the finance campaign was about \$600 behind and asked for the board to consider a training meeting

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of the board on finance, and the possibility of changing the dates and deadlines of the finance campaign to avoid having the campaign continue into March after the state report had been made March 1st. Action was deferred to a later board meeting.

Mrs. Wentworth reported briefly on state legislative activity.

Mrs. West gave a brief, informal report on her attendance at the Tulsa conference, pointing up the increasing importance in the League of cooperation with the community as exemplified in the Freedom Agenda Program and the Trade Survey.

Mrs. Allensworth made amotion that the purchase of a prize for the unit group selling the most poll taxes be authorized. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
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Statement of Mrs. Jack Allensworth before the City Council Feb. 24, 1955:

"The League of Women Voters is neither for nor against the building of underground parking facilities but is concerned with the city's contemplated agreement involving the leasing of a piece of city property.

The League submits the following questions which we consider in the public interest:

1. Has the Planning Commission approved this project as stipulated in Article IX, Section 123 "Following the adoption of the Master Plan by the Council, no subdivision, street, park, nor any public way, ground or space, public building or structure and no public utility whether publicly or privately owned, shall be constructed or authorized in the City, nor shall any real property be acquired by the City, until and unless the location and extent thereof shall have been submitted to and approved by the Commission...."?
2. Does the Council consider this a franchise and derive its authority for action under Article XI, Section 128 "The ~~authority~~ ~~franchise~~ ownership, right of control and use of streets, highways, parks, public places and all real property of the City is hereby declared to be inalienable by the City, except by ordinances passed by vote of the majority of the Council as hereinafter provided; and no franchise or easement involving the right to use the same, either along, across, over or under the same, shall ever be valid, unless expressly granted and exercised in compliance with the terms hereof, and of the ordinances granting such use. No act or omission of the City, its Council, officers or agents shall be construed to confer or extend by estoppel or indirection, any right, franchise or easement not expressly granted by ordinance."?
3. If this is an exclusive franchise, is it not an illegal franchise and in conflict with Article XI, Section 130 "No exclusive franchise or privilege shall ever be granted"?
4. Is it the intent of the Council to hold public hearings on this proposal?
5. Have other companies engaged in this type of business been offered opportunity to bid on such a proposal?
6. If this is not to be interpreted as a franchise, under what section of the charter ~~is such~~ ¹⁵ does such a lease ^{to} operate?
7. Does not Article XI, Section 137, pertain to such a contract, or does it come under Article VII, Section 101, Purchase Procedure?

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Those present were Mesdames Wentworth, Holden, Parker, Sexauer, Scott, Fowler, Lecznar, Willette, Allensworth, West, Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley. Mrs. John Benham, substituting for Mrs. von Phul was also present.

Mrs. Passmore presided. Minutes of the January 19 regular board meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Allensworth, First Vice Pres. reported that we had sent Mrs. E. M. Hauser and Mrs. Wilbert Ray to a recent city meeting on slum clearance. Mrs. J. G. Millar will attend a Community Welfare Institute on Friday, Feb. 18 as a League representative on "Our Community, It's Needs".

Mrs. Allensworth reported that the Candidates Meeting at the Jewish Community Center had been set for 8 p.m., March 29. She and Mrs. Willette will be in charge of preparing questions for candidates. She proposed a committee of two to screen questions from the audience.

Proposed arrangements for a series of four candidates meetings on KENS television were still pending.

Mrs. Allensworth will moderate a Council-Manager panel program of the City Federation on March 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Mrs. Holden gave the treasurer's report which was accepted as read and filed for audit.

Mrs. Mayfield reported attendance of 80 at the Feb. 11 general meeting. She recommended the use of tickets for guests as well as members hereafter.

Mrs. Scott made a motion that our annual meeting be a dinner at the YWCA at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 9. The motion was seconded and carried.

The question of what to do about the extra \$100 pledged for State and National Services by the delegates to the last state convention came up again. Mrs. Ashford made a motion that this personal obligation on the part of the eleven members be removed and that the pledge be made up by the membership of the League as a whole. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman, stated that the units were desirous of having an extra meeting on individual liberties. She made a motion that one of the meetings in March be devoted to individual liberties. The motion was seconded and carried. The other March meeting was planned for study of Council-Manager government.

Mrs. Parker strongly urged attendance of board members at unit meetings, pointing out specific need on the part of unit leaders for board support.

Mrs. Lecznar suggested that each unit be invited at some time during the year to send visitors to a board meeting as a method of promoting

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better understanding between both groups.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, suggested that another year on our poll tax drive we confine our efforts to publicity, unless we can be deputized. She stated that the present method of taking applications involves clerical work and financial responsibility out of proportion to the gains. Also, she stated, our present type of activity is not popular with the County Tax Assessor-Collector.

Mrs. Wentworth, State Legislative Chairman, called for Action on House Bill 392 on procedural changes in state election code.

Mrs. West, Chairman of Individual Liberties, reported on the activity of her committee and asked for authorization from the board to organize an Initiating Committee for a Freedom Agenda project. She brought in a list of names for board consideration.

Mrs. Holden made a motion that a Freedom Agenda Initiating Committee be formed by Mrs. West and her committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. West outlined further plans to expand her committee and analyze the Delphian and League study groups as pilot studies for a community program.

Mrs. Allensworth moved that we allow \$100 to send Mrs. West to the Regional Conference at Tulsa on Feb. 28 & March 1. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Scott emphasized the Call for Action on World Trade.

The board discussed participation in the Carnival of Nations of the City Federation in May. Mrs. Lecznar moved that we table consideration of whether we should have a United Nations booth at the Carnival of Nations until the next meeting.

The Secretary read a letter from Brother Schnepf of St. Mary's Univ. proposing a six-weeks, non-credit course on "Privileges of Citizens" and asking for League co-sponsorship. Mrs. Willette and Mrs. Ashford will interview him and report to the next board meeting on his plans and our possible cooperation.

The possibility of adding funds for a League telephone listing to next years budget was discussed. Mrs. Allensworth moved the board recommend an item for a League telephone listing as of the next issue of the telephone directory. She suggested Mrs. Holden present the recommendation to the annual meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Pasmore called attention to the Presidents Council to be held March 29 and 30 in Austin.

Mrs. Scott presented a small gift from board members to retiring president, Mrs. B.H. Pasmore.

The meeting adjourned.


Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the YWCA, Friday, February 11, 1955, at 12 noon.

Mrs. Passmore presided. There were about 75 people in the audience.

The Secretary read the minutes of the November 10 and December 7 general meetings which were approved as read.

Mrs. Holden, Treasurer, presented her report which was approved and filed for audit.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, reported a successful poll tax drive with 55 women participating and over 2500 applications taken.

Mrs. Passmore greeted the guests and introduced the following visitors: Mr. Ed Sullivan, Mr. Burt Kraus, Mr. Maxwell Meyer, Mrs. Eve Bartlett, Mr. William Arnold, Mr. A. B. Wacker, Mr. Robert Hunter, Mrs. Erna Galbreath, Mrs. Preston Dial, and Mrs. Maury Maverick. Mrs. Oscar Koepke of the State Board was a guest from Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Allensworth announced that the League had accepted the invitation of the Jewish Community Center to put on a candidates meeting the evening of March 29.

Mrs. Wentworth, State Legislative Chairman, called for action in support of House Bill #392 for election law reform.

Mrs. Clayton Scott, Program Chairman of National Item I introduced Mrs. Waldo Stephens, National Board Chairman of World Trade who spoke on the subject "What is our Stake in World Trade?"

Mrs. Stephens outlined the growth of League interest in this subject then went on to consider the broad, basic principles underlying our decisions and to explain how the League acts.

She stated the problem as one of pursuing a trade policy which would contribute to stability here and throughout the world at the same time providing greatest security.

She discussed the factors involved in the current trade policy with regard to oil, as being of particular interest to Texas and Oklahoma. She used this as an example of the difficulty of arriving at the wisest policy.

She stated that the League policy is one of support for liberalized trade, not free trade; that we feel that the answer must be sought cautiously and gradually, and that it will come slowly, not total and complete at once.

She outlined the type of support being given by the League to House Bill #1, which she called a moderate bill, but one likely to have far-reaching effects.

After calling for questions, Mrs. Stephens went on to a discussion

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of the Freedom Agenda Project now being undertaken by Leagues
throughout the country under the direction of the Program
Chairmen for National Item II.

She emphasized the importance of developing in the community
a group of people with a well-rounded understanding of the problem
of individual liberty versus national security, with sound
philosophical and historical background on the subject.

She saw as an objective of the project the development by the
individual participant of knowledge and morale to withstand
developments likely to lead to hysteria. She emphasized
discussion and participation as opposed to mere attendance at
speeches. She urged attendance at the Tulsa Conference.

Following a question period, the meeting adjourned.

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Gerald L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, January 19, 1955 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Passmore, Holden, Ewart, Fowler, Lecznar, Wentworth, Willette, Alleneworth, and Miss Otela Kelley. Visitors were Mrs. C. L. Schloss and Mrs. John F. Benham. Mrs. Passmore presided.

The Secretary read the minutes of the December 15 board meeting which were approved with corrections and additions.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Holden, presented a budget report showing expenditures to date as compared to amounts budgeted for 1954-55.

Mrs. Schloss, Budget Committee Chairman, presented the proposed budget for 1955-56 in the new budget form for local leagues, explaining some of the new items as compared to the old. It was decided that the proposed budget should be presented to the general membership through explanation in unit meetings and through oral explanation at the annual meeting. It was also decided that the presentation for the Bulletin and the annual meeting should be in three columns, one for the proposed budget, one for comparable items of the 1954-55 budget, and one for actual figures of expenditures to date. Mrs. Schloss moved that the budget be presented to the membership as proposed. The motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, reported that the spring finance campaign would begin the first week of February, that workers were needed to get the balance uncollected from the fall campaign.

[] The question of what to do about the extra \$100 pledged for State & National Services by the delegates to the state convention came up but decision was postponed to the next board meeting in order to obtain final results of the finance drive.

Mrs. Ewart made the report for the nominating committee presenting the names of the following candidates:

For President: Mrs. Gerald Ashford
1st Vice Pres.: Mrs. William von Phul
2nd Vice Pres.: Mrs. Earl Wentworth
Secretary: Mrs. Jack Alleneworth
Director, 1 yr. term: Mrs. Clifford Davis
Director, 2 yr. term: Mrs. Wilbert Ray
Director, 2 yr. term: Mrs. M. Winston Martin
Nominating Committee Chairman: Mrs. Eugene P. Willette
Nominating Committee Member: Mrs. Robert G. Smith
Nominating Committee Member: Mrs. Robert H. Weiner

Mrs. Ewart reported that the proposed orientation coffee had been postponed until after the return of Mrs. von Phul because other members of her committee were unable to carry them out at this time. She said that Mrs. D. W. Norton had been working as her assistant.

Mrs. Alleneworth presented the report of the local program committee. She moved that the following program items be recommended

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
January 19, 1955 (Continued)

to the annual meeting:

Item I: A campaign of public education, based on the County Survey, as to the need in Bexar County for a modernized and efficient structure of government, and action in local areas to attain it.

Item II: Continued support of the basic principles of council-manager government.

The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar brought the recommendations of the By-Laws Committee, a copy of which is attached. They were the same as those submitted to the previous board meeting with two additions:

Amendment 9 changing the date of the annual audit in Article VI, Section 5 to "after the close of each fiscal year."

and, Amendment 5 to Article VII adding a new Section 4 to read "Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted for any meeting."

Mrs. Lecznar stated that she had received a letter from the national office to the effect that proxy voting was not to be recommended at any time.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that the board adopt the report of the By-Laws committee for presentation to the annual meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, reported a large sale of poll taxes the previous Friday and Saturday at HEB stores. Attention was called to the good publicity obtained by Mrs. Benham (substituting for Mrs. von Phul) on the poll tax drive.

Plans for the February general meeting were discussed. Mrs. Waldo Stephens was invited to speak to a League luncheon meeting while in San Antonio on February 11 but no reply had been received as yet.

Mrs. Lecznar, Bulletin Chairman, notified the board that her husband's employment would necessitate a move to Denver in March, hence she had withdrawn as a candidate for election to the board.

Mrs. Passmore announced that there would be a regional conference in Tulsa, Okla. Feb. 28 and Mar. 1 on National Items I & II with presidents, resource chairmen, and resource committee members being especially invited.

Mrs. Wentworth, Chairman of the State Program Items, reported that specific information on the bill for improved election laws had not come through yet.

Mrs. Passmore reported that an invitation had been received from the Jewish Community Center to put on a candidates meeting in March for the city election. The Center would underwrite the costs

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and furnish the auditorium and publicity.

In discussing the invitation the board considered whether additional candidates meetings should be attempted under the sponsorship of other church groups. It was the consensus of opinion that we might hold other candidates meetings on invitation, but that we should not attempt to promote a number of them. The suggestion was made that we explore the possibilities of using television this year in presenting the candidates to the public. The board decided to accept the invitation of the Jewish Community Center but keep the techniques of the meeting, including the questions to be asked, under League control.

The question came up as to whether board members could join the Good Government League now soliciting members. The decision was that board members could not join because the League was being formed to support candidates.

Speeches on behalf of the League had been made during the past month by Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Wentworth, Mrs. Allensworth, Mrs. Vexler, Mrs. Robert Rosenthal, and Mrs. Passmore. Mrs. Passmore stated that the League had made 121 speeches on behalf of jury service for women.

Mrs. Allensworth made a motion that the board of directors congratulate Mrs. Passmore and express their pride in her election as "Clubwoman of the Year" in the Express-News contest to select San Antonio's ten outstanding women of 1954. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned.

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Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Holden, Sexauer, Fowler, Lecznar, Scott, Ewart, West, Parker, Willette, von Phul, Passmore, Wentworth, Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley. Visitors were Mrs. H. J. DeKanter, and Mrs. John F. Benham.

Minutes of the November 17 board meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Holden gave the Treasurer's report which was approved as read and filed for audit.

Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman said that she would be out of the city for two months and that Mrs. Lecznar and Mrs. Benham would assume chief responsibility for her portfolio. She announced that on the suggestion of the state League of Women Voters Governor Shivers had proclaimed Poll Tax Week for January 17 to 22. She suggested local publicity be arranged for the preceding week.

Mrs. Sexauer distributed new membership lists.

Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, stated that we were still \$884.50 short of our finance goal. It was suggested that the Bulletin be used to encourage membership contributions.

Publications Chairman, Mrs. Fowler, announced a new publication "Tips For Teachers". She checked to see how many copies of "Lobby By Letter" were wanted by the board. The answer was 10.

Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman, stated that the units had studied Election Laws and Poll Tax in December, that December briefing and January study would be on World Trade. Individual Liberties materials would be distributed at the December briefing.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, said that 8 HEB Stores wanted us to sell poll taxes all day Friday and Saturday, the last two weeks of January. Units will be in charge in their areas, but other volunteers would be welcome.

Margaret Wentworth consented to carry both state program portfolios temporarily.

Mrs. West, Chairman of Individual Liberties, reported a small representation of groups other than the League at our December meeting. However some materials had been distributed and other calls would be made. Mrs. von Phul suggested that Mr. Ray of the Express-News, Col. Allison and Col. Horner of the Light be interviewed with regard to the Freedom Agenda project and asked to answer these questions: Is there a need for this in San Antonio? Is it possible? and Would they be willing to help? The board approved of the suggestion and Mrs. West will carry it out.

Mrs. Scott reported that it is likely Mrs. Waldo Stevens, Chairman of Item I on the National Board, would be here in February and would make an excellent speaker for a general meeting on trade.

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Regular Board Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters
December 15, 1954 (Continued)

The board instructed Mrs. Scott to determine whether she would be available.

Mrs. Ewart, Membership Chairman, had no report requiring action of the board.

Mrs. Lecznar, Bulletin Chairman, stated that the Bulletin would probably exceed its budget by around \$25. Other board members pointed out there were funds available under other classifications to meet this expense.

Mrs. Lecznar stated that Jan. 10 would be the deadline on Feb. bulletin material except for items to be completed at the January board meeting.

Mrs. Holden gave a partial report of the Budget Committee presenting a new type of budget in accordance with the suggestions on page 31 of the Leader's Handbook. Detailed report will be submitted to the January Board Meeting,

Mrs. Lecznar, Chairman of the By-Laws committee presented their recommendations. Final recommendations will come at the next board meeting.

In accordance with the suggestion of Mrs. Passmore an amendment to Article VI, Section 5, will be submitted changing the date of the annual audit.

The recommendations of the By-Laws committee were generally favored by the board. However, it was suggested the committee reconsider Article X regarding delegates to conventions so as to make the by-laws more democratic than ^{the} committee proposals.

Mrs. Lecznar requested and secured permission from the Board to write to the national office for advice on proxy votes and on delegate selection.

Mrs. H. J. DeKanter, Nominating Committee Chairman, made a partial, preliminary report. Final report will be made at the January meeting.

Mrs. Willette made a motion that the following tribute to Louise Frankenstein, who died December 7, be included in the minutes:

"We have lost a dear friend and a treasured member of our group.

Louise Frankenstein was gifted with intelligence and talent which she used quietly and easily in the service of her community. She had grace and gentleness and humor, so that it was a joy to be with her. She was generous with her love and her time. Her serenity, her optimism, her skill, and above all, the warmth of her personality will always be an inspiration to those who were privileged to know her".

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It was also suggested that the tribute paid to Mrs. Frankenstein by Mrs. Eve Battlett in the San Antonio Express, be recorded in the minutes of this meeting. The tribute reads as follows:

"We are among those truly blessed by close association with Louise. Her words of counsel and encouragement will continue to aid and guide us, in the future as they have since the first day we met to pool our efforts in the interest of a common purpose.

To remember any hour of her days is to remember all things that are fine and womanly. We are deeply grateful she passed our way and remains a part of our life."

The meeting adjourned.

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Gerald L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the Witte Museum, Tuesday, Decembr 7, 1954 at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Passmore presided. About fifty people attended.

Mrs. Passmore opened the meeting with a brief summary of League interest and activity on behalf of individual liberties. She introduced the evening's speakers, Mrs. Louis West, Chairman for National Program Item II, and Mr. Henry B. Dielmann, Former Professor of Law at St. Mary's University.

Mrs. West outlined the plan whereby a Freedom Agenda Project may be organized for working with the community to stimulate the formation of local committees which will organize discussion groups on individual liberty.

Mr. Dielmann spoke on the subject "Where Our Constitutional Liberties Came From". He pointed up the problem of present world turmoil versus the need to preserve liberty. Beginning with the English doctrine of limited government he traced the development of United States constitutional liberties. He ended with a plea that we study our liberties without emotion and that the liberties we enjoy be shared with others when they are ready.

A question period followed.

Guests included several representatives of other community organizations considering cooperation with the League in a Freedom Agenda project. Members and guests enjoyed refreshments following the meeting.

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Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, November 17, 1954 at 1 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Holden, Wentworth, Willette, Lecznar, West, Scott, Fowler, von Phul, Allensworth, Ewart, Sexauer, Passmore, Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley. Visitors were Mrs. Willis Jourdin, Mrs. H. F. DeKanter, and Mrs. Jack Mayfield.

Minutes of the October 20 board meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was approved as read and filed for aud it.

Mrs. Allensworth, Council-Manager Chairman, Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman, and Mrs. Fowler, Publications Chairman, were called upon but had no reports requiring action of the board.

Mrs. Ewart, Membership Chairman, reported that the new telephone procedure for general meetings was successful. However, her telephone committee was organizing to be available as needed.

The question of the best time and method of new member orientation was raised and it was suggested by Mrs. von Phul that we try a series of small monthly teas for new members. She volunteered to have the first one at her home. Mrs. Schloss, Orientation Chairman, will be asked to assist her.

Mrs. Ewart announced the addition of twelve new members in the past month.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, called for volunteers to help man poll tax stations at the HEB supermarkets on Fridays and Saturdays the last two weeks of January.

Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman was absent. It was announced that briefing on Know Your County would probably be postponed due to the illness of Mrs. Frankenstein, that the booklet on "The Texas Poll Tax" would probably be used in November briefing.

Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, announced the campaign was still short of its goal and more help was needed.

Mrs. Lecznar, Bulletin Editor, suggested we have no general meeting in January. She suggested a combined December-January Bulletin, also a February Bulletin and a February general meeting. This would help Bulletin finances and at the same time fulfill all requirements of our By-Laws with regard to meetings. She requested that Budget, Program, and Nominating Committees submit their reports as early as possible to facilitate the preparation of the February Bulletin.

Mrs. von Phul made a motion that we have no January general meeting and that we have a combined December-January Bulletin. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar reported that the By-Laws committee would meet November 24 and bring recommendations to the board at its December meeting.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
(November 17, 1954) (Continued)

Mrs. von Phul reported on the area conference at Waco, stating that the League was interested in supporting a bill of procedural changes in state election laws now in the process of being drafted. She stressed the need for study and direction of our Election Laws portfolio. She said we were about to have a new tool "Improvement of the Texas Election Laws".

The suggestion was made that Mrs. Wentworth take on the Election Laws portfolio either in addition to that on Know Your State, or in place of it. Mrs. Wentworth asked for time to consider the possibility of changing her assignment.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Lee regarding the article on the League of Women Voters which had appeared in the National Republic magazine.

Mrs. Sexauer and Mrs. Scott were called on but had no reports requiring action of the board.

Following a brief recess for coffee, the board reconvened for orientation on the Item, Individual Liberties. Mrs. West outlined the background to League adoption of the national program item, and discussed in some detail the procedure for setting up a Freedom Agenda Project in a local community.

It was the opinion of the board that Mrs. West's committee should continue working toward a community project along the lines suggested by the Freedom Agenda Committee. However, it was the feeling of the board that the formation of an initiating committee should be preceded by an exploratory phase during which Mrs. West's committee should determine which local organizations had some interest in the program. It was suggested that representatives of various groups be brought together informally for a closed meeting designed primarily to explore the extent of interest. It was decided that representatives of local groups could be invited to our December general meeting as an early gesture toward soliciting their interest and cooperation.

The nature of the December meeting program was discussed and it was decided to try to arrange a panel on "Where Constitutional Liberty Came From". Mrs. Passmore is to ask Henry Diehlmann to act as moderator. Mrs. Hayden Miller was suggested as a participant. The program is to be in charge of Mrs. West's committee.

Mrs. Mayfield arranged for the December meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 7 on the second floor at Witte Museum. Husbands and guests are to be invited.

Mrs. Passmore and Mrs. Scott invited board members and their husbands to come to the Passmore home at 8 p.m. December 1 to hear Miss Ruth Goldschmidt of New York University speak on Israel.

The meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
AT THE YWCA, Wednesday, November 10, 1954 at 12:00 noon.

Mrs. Passmore presided. There were 49 members attending.

Minutes of the October 13 general meeting were read and approved. The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Holden, was approved as read and filed for audit.

Mrs. Allensworth introduced Mr. Aris A. Mallas, Jr., Project Director of the Texas Research League who spoke on the findings and recommendations of the League's survey of state health, education, and welfare institutions.

According to Mr. Mallas, Texas still has the opportunity to attack successfully the problem of care and rehabilitation of the mentally ill and retarded, but it must be done in the next five years, or Texas will face the additional expenditure of 350 million dollars by 1975 to house the state's mentally ill.

Mr. Mallas stated that the nonpolitical, non-profit Texas Research League has completed a 14 volume, \$50,000, 15-month survey that contains more than 500 recommendations for reorganizing, remodeling, and revitalizing the state hospital and special schools system.

He summarized the needs as follows: Planning; revision and codification of laws on the subject; redefinition and clarification of state responsibilities; coordination with other state and private agencies; location of centers in metropolitan areas; development of a career personnel program; reorganization of the central and institutional administrative machinery; and a continuous program of research into cause, care, treatment and rehabilitation of the mentally ill.

There were brief reports from Mrs. von Phul on the Jury Service for Women campaign, from Mrs. Fowler on new publications, ~~from~~ and from Mrs. Willette on plans for the poll tax drive.

The meeting adjourned.

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Gerald L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, October 20, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Ewart, von Phul, Lecznar, West, Scott, Wentworth, Holden, Allensworth, Willette, Passmore, Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley. Mrs. Passmore presided.

The minutes of the September 16, regular board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Mrs. Holden, Treasurer, gave her report which was accepted as read and filed for audit.

A revised copy of the local board calendar for the year was distributed to all those present.

Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, reported that cards representing \$300 or \$400 more in contributions were still in the hands of finance workers. Some cards were assigned to board members.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, reported that we had reordered Voters Guides from the State Office and were finding a constant demand for them and the literature on jury service for women.

Mrs. Wentworth, Chairman of speakers for jury service, reported that numerous speaking engagements had been filled by Mesdames West, Tobin, Marr, Parker, and herself.

Mrs. Passmore stated that in response to requests that we endorse State Amendment No. 9, providing enabling legislation for hospital districts for large counties, she had checked with the state board for an opinion on whether our local Know Your County study item would permit the San Antonio League to endorse the amendment. The decision of the state board was that under our current agenda we could not endorse or work for the specific item set forth in Amendment 9.

Mrs. Ewart, Membership Chairman, reported that our activity in the community had brought us new members. She suggested that for the next general meeting we dispense with telephoning and use a notice in the Bulletin to the effect that members must call for their own reservations. The board agreed to give the new procedure a try.

Mrs. Allensworth, Council-Manager Chairman, spoke briefly about the current council situation. With the resignation of all recall targets expected, little activity was contemplated until spring when tentative plans were being made for a refresher workshop on the subject of council-manager government.

Mrs. Lecznar, Bulletin Editor, announced that her assistant, Mrs. Victor Montgomery, was moving from town.

Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman, indicated that we were receiving considerable, excellent publicity, as a result of our

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drive to get jury service for women. She also called attention to League publicity in the October 23 Saturday Evening Post and the November 2 Look.

Mrs. Scott, Chairman of National Item I spoke briefly of her visit to the United Nations and her meeting with the National Chairman of her item. She stated that Mrs. Vexler would do the briefing on her item October 27.

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Mrs. West, in charge of the Individual Liberties Item, ~~continued~~ plans for briefing in January with Units studying her Item in February. She asked for time for board orientation on Individual Liberties and it was decided that time would be provided at the November 17 board meeting.

Mrs. Passmore asked for an expression of preference as to which area conference members wanted to attend, Waco or Laredo. It was decided to attend the Waco conference on November 11 and 12.

Mrs. Passmore read sections of a letter from Mrs. Willis Jourdin resigning from the board for reasons of health. Miss Kelley made a motion that Mrs. Jourdin's resignation be accepted with regret. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Secretary read Mrs. Lee's memorandum on the Fair Campaign Practices Committee, Inc. The President reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

The program for the Nov. general meeting was discussed and it was decided that Mrs. Allensworth would contact Mr. A.A. Mallas, Jr. of Austin, the Director of the Texas Research League, and ask him to be our speaker on the subject of rehabilitation and care of the mentally ill and the mentally retarded.

The board approved the use of our membership list by the Southwest Research Institute in order that they might supply our members with a research report, the list to be returned after use.

A letter from St. Mary's University regarding their speakers bureau was turned over to Mrs. West. She is to consider the possibility of asking a St. Mary's speaker for the December general meeting which is tentatively planned to feature the Individual Liberties Item.

Mrs. von Phul nominated Mrs. Louis West to be our chairman of the Individual Liberties Item. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore reported that she had received, completed and returned a questionnaire from our national office on the status of educational television locally.

The meeting adjourned on motion of Mrs. Willette.

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Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the YWCA, Wednesday, October 13, 1954, at 12:00 noon.

Mrs. Passmore presided. The meeting began with a salute to the United Nations by Mrs. William von Phul who read a part of President Eisenhower's message for U.N. Day.

Minutes for the March, May, June, and September general meetings were read by the Secretary and approved as read.

Mrs. Passmore introduced Mrs. Howard Tewell of Edinburg, of the State Organization Committee, who was present as a guest.

Mrs. Earl Wentworth acted as moderator for a presentation of the pros and cons of the eleven proposed amendments to the state constitution. Mrs. Clifford Davis and Mrs. J. G. Millar were Mrs. Pro and Mrs. Con. Mrs. Wentworth discussed Amendment Number 7, Jury Service for Women, giving the group a sample of the type of speech being used by the committee on jury service for women in appearances before groups throughout the city.

By way of observing U.N. Day, tables were decorated with UN colors and flags of all member nations, and UN posters and charts covered the walls. Mrs. Harold Vexler spoke briefly on the purpose of the U.N., the history of League support, the United Nations structure and activities, and the prospects for the future.

Mrs. Allensworth, Chairman of Council-Manager government, restated the non-partisan stand of the League on the proposed recall of city councilmen. She pointed out why the League could not suggest candidates for the Council (as requested), and she complimented Mrs. von Phul and Mrs. Passmore in particular on the success of our "Soap Box Sues" campaign to defeat proposed amendments to our city charter.

Mrs. Holden, Treasurer, read her report which was accepted and filed for audit.

Mrs. Passmore announced that there would be regional conferences on Public Relations and Legislation on November 11 and 12 in Waco and on Nov. 16 and 17 in Laredo.

The meeting adjourned.

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Nov. 10, 1954

Gerald L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Thursday, September 16, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Lecznar, Parker, Fowler, Willette, Holden, Passmore, Allensworth, and Ashford, and Miss Otela Kelley. Mrs. Passmore presided.

The minutes of the August 18, regular board meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was accepted as read and filed for audit.

Mrs. Passmore reported that she had asked Mrs. Clair L. Jones to be Chairman of the item, Jury Service for Women, and that she had accepted. Mrs. Jack Pope, formerly suggested as a prospective chairman, had agreed to serve on the Jury committee but not as its chairman.

Mrs. Passmore reported that a group of League members, including Mrs. Willette, Mrs. von Phul, Mrs. Wentworth, and herself, had met with about 18 other women representing San Antonio clubs on September 8, as a coordinating committee on Jury Service for women. Work assignments were made, including that of Mrs. Wentworth to be in charge of Speakers Bureau. She stated that the state voters guide on amendments and the League pamphlet on jury service would be used extensively; that we had ordered 10,000 copies of the amendments guides, the bulk of which would be sold to other organizations for distribution. Plans were for a five-minute speech on jury service for women to be given to as many Bexar county groups as possible.

Miss Kelley reported that the finance drive was on, and that she was waiting for returns. She related several incidents in connection with the drive.

Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman, raised the questions of whether old but useful materials in the hands of the Publication Chairman could be given to unit leaders free of charge. The board agreed that this would be permissible. It was also pointed out that the fund provided for Unit Group Expense in the 1954-55 budget was available for the purchase of material for unit leaders at the discretion of the Units Chairman.

Mrs. Parker reported that a night unit for business girls was about to start with Mrs. J. J. Raidt as leader, that Mrs. C.L. Schloss is resigning as coleader with Mrs. Holden of the Ft. Sam Houston group and has recommended that the unit be reorganized outside of Ft. Sam Houston. The first meeting of that unit in October will be with the Alamo Hts. group. She also reported the resignation of Mrs. William Brookhausen as a unit leader and stated that Mrs. Paul Fowler will lead the Alamo Hts. group. She stated

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that Mrs. Clifford Davis will be the leader of the Olmos Group.

She suggested that evening meetings for the board might make it possible for women to serve who might not otherwise be available. No action was taken on the the suggestion at this meeting.

Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, reported that the jobs ahead are: the addressing and distributing of the Voters Guides, and the Jury Service pamphlet, and getting out the vote for the general election.

Attention was called to our new local publication entitled "Do You Know", summarizing the program and policies of the League prepared by the Membership and Public Relations Committees.

The Public Relations Chairman was absent but it was reported that she had arranged for publication in the Sunday Express-News of the pros and cons of the proposed amendments which would appear in series.

Mrs. Passmore also announced that the San Antonio League had won first honor prize in the Express Club project and she displayed the plaque we had received.

Mrs. Leoznar announced that the combined September-October Bulletin would be published about September 23.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Richards accepting San Antonio's invitation to have the State League Convention here in 1956. She also read Mrs. Lee's memo of July 30 on desegregation in Southern schools.

Mrs. Allensworth, Council-Manager Chairman, reported that the special speakers bureau of "Sopbox Sues" set up to address local organizations on the Council-Manager issue were hard at work.

Mrs. von Phul, Mrs. Allensworth, and Mrs. Passmore had made several speeches.

Plans were discussed for our action in event that City Council should call the proposed Charter Amendment election for October 30. It was decided to ask permission for Mrs. Allensworth to appear before the City Council on September 23 to protest on behalf of the League. The Secretary is to send in the request. Mrs. Allensworth appointed Mrs. Passmore, Mrs. von Phul, and Mrs. Ashford to help her draft her statement. A copy of her statement is attached to these minutes.

It was decided that should the Council call the Charter Amendment election, plans would be announced immediately for a

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workshop to study and compare the proposed charter and the present charter. Meetings would be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday October 28, and on Thursday, October 30, in the basement of the Nix with the public invited. However, reservations would be required.

Mrs. Passmore announced that the October meeting would be on the 13th at the YWCA with a business meeting and a program to include the five-minute speech on Jury Service, the pros and cons of the proposed amendments, and such action as might be required on Council-Manager government. Time permitting, there would be some observance of U. N. day.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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WOMEN'S VOTERS' LEAGUE BATTLES CHARTER ELECTION

Following is the text of a statement by Mrs. Jack Allensworth, representing the League of Women Voters, at the city council meeting Thursday protesting a proposed city charter change election:

"I am Mrs. Jack Allensworth, representing the League of Women Voters, here this morning to request the council not to call the election to change the present charter. For many years the League has studied and worked for council-manager government. We know that in San Antonio as in 1,205 other United States cities, council-manager government, properly administered, can provide the most efficient and economical government for each tax dollar expended.

"Our present charter was drafted by a duly-elected, representative commission. The commission worked during an entire summer in open meetings, with the benefit of expert advice, and after a public hearing submitted the charter to the people. None of these steps has been followed in the case of the proposed amendments.

"We are here to warn you that the amendments are both illegal

and a threat to the rights of the citizens of San Antonio.

"First, as to legality. Experts in municipal and state law say that the form of some of the amendments is one that has been repeatedly overthrown by Texas courts. Are you willing to risk plunging this city into further litigation which could bring into question the entire authority of the city government?

"A specific illegality is the provision for filing-fees in city elections. For years Texas law has forbidden cities of this size to charge filing-fees.

"Next, we ask you to consider the threats to the taxpayer's purse. The council-manager charter for the first time protected San Antonio taxpayers because no appropriation can be made unless a detailed budget is adopted before the opening of the fiscal year. The budget tells us where the money is to come from and where it is to go. These controls are among the finest features and the greatest safeguards of our council-manager charter. Though the proposed amendments seem to leave these budget provisions unchanged, a new section in the amendments conflicts with the present charter provisions and would override them. The new section itself appears to conflict with state law, and the resulting confusion might imperil the budgetary protection we now enjoy.

"Are you prepared to explain to the taxpayers why the proposed amendments cut the tax-paying period in half, giving only a two-month period for tax payment instead of the present four

months? The League has found in the proposed amendments many other evidences of disregard for the protection of the taxpayer's dollar which the present charter now provides.

"Now I ask you to consider our general rights as citizens. Opponents of our council-manager charter have mistakenly labeled it as undemocratic. I would have you look at certain provisions of the proposed amendments and see if they promote democracy.

"It is proposed to change the date for city elections to the second Tuesday in January. We all know that the setting of elections near holidays is a characteristic maneuver of machine politics.

"Our council-manager charter prescribes that all meetings be open ones, but the proposed amendments do not. There is no provision for a quorum of the Board of Commissioners. By a very odd provision, a commissioner absent for any cause would be automatically recorded as voting "Nay." The combination of these last three factors would give a handful of manipulators a means to prevent his veto from being overridden. Under the proposed amendments, the double protection of publicity and sound parliamentary procedures that the council-manager charter gives us would be totally lost.

"The amendments would give the mayor a greater pardon power than the governor of Texas has. The governor can only pardon on the advice of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and after due publicity. But it is proposed that the mayor, alone and without requirements as to publicity, shall also have the power to remit fines and grant pardons for all offenses arising under the ordinances of the city."

"The opponents of the council-manager charter say that it sets up a dictatorship. I would like to remind you that the amendments would give the mayor the unqualified power to raise his own private army. He could appoint for 120-day periods an unlimited number of special policemen, and dismiss the same at his pleasure.

"Time has permitted me to enumerate only a few of the most dangerous provisions of these ill-conceived amendments.

"The chief concern of the League of Women Voters is always good government, and we work for issues related to the principles of good government solely in the public interest. We adhere to our strict non-partisan stand as to individuals, but issues which are vital to the welfare of our community are involved, and on these issues we take a stand. We feel that the fundamental rights of the people of San Antonio are seriously endangered by the proposed amendments you are considering today. We have worked for sound, improved governmental procedures for many years, and, I wish to repeat, serious study by our League has shown that council-manager government, properly conducted under a legal and clearly-written charter, can give to the citizens the best and most economical form of government.

"We earnestly request that you not vote to hold an election on these charter amendments."

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REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at Joske's Auditorium, Wednesday, September 15, 1954 at 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. William von Phul presided. About 100 members were present.

Mrs. E. S. Ewart, Membership Chairman, opened the meeting with a special welcome to new members. She spoke briefly about the purpose and history of the League of Women Voters.

In honor of the educational centennial in Texas, Mrs. Rufus D. Bell, First Vice-President of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, spoke on the subject "The First Hundred Years Were The Hardest". Stressing citizen responsibility in the field of public education, she pointed out that although much progress has been made, we still have many problems in providing adequate schools and teachers for our children.

The second half of the program was devoted to a consideration of how we can help to keep Council-Manager government in San Antonio. Mrs. Jack Allensworth analyzed the differences between our present form of government and the proposed charter amendments. She warned of the dangers in the proposed charter revisions. A discussion followed regarding the action that should be taken by the League. Tentative plans were made for a workshop on the proposed charter amendments in event an election was set.

Following the program, refreshments were served to those attending.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, August 18, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Frankenstein, von Phul, Passmore, Ashford, Allensworth, Sexauer, Parker, Fowler, Holden, and Miss Otela Kelley. Non-board members present were Mrs. Harold Vexler, Mrs. Louis West, Mrs. E. J. Wentworth, and Mrs. H. J. DeKanter. Mrs. Passmore presided.

The minutes of the June 23 regular board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer's report was read and filed for audit. Mrs. Holden also brought in a special five-month report to show budget figures, actual income, and disbursements, and the balance. Copies were distributed to board members and discussed.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Francis Carp resigning from the board as Election Laws Chairman. Mrs. Frankenstein moved that the board accept Mrs. Carp's resignation with regret. The motion was seconded and carried. *OK*

The Secretary also read a letter from Mrs. Don Tobin submitting her resignation as Know Your State Chairman. Mrs. von Phul made a motion accepting Mrs. Tobin's resignation with regret. The motion was seconded and carried. *OK*

Mrs. Ashford made a motion that Mrs. E. J. Wentworth be appointed to the board as Know Your State Chairman. The motion was seconded and carried. *OK*

Mrs. Passmore announced that Mrs. Dan Henke had consented to accept the Chairmanship of the Fiscal Policy Platform Item.

Mrs. Allensworth, Chairman of Council-Manager Government, reported that her committee had been attending all of the recent stormy sessions which had given rise to extensive press coverage, and a recall movement against five councilmen.

She reported that on August 11 the following protest was sent to Mayor Jack White in a special delivery letter:

"The League of Women Voters questions the legality of Mrs. Schenker's having taken the oath of office on Monday and his being seated with the Council at the present time, based on the following provisions of the City Charter:

According to Article II, Section 8, a vacancy on the Council may be filled by a majority of the remaining councilmen. The section does not state whether this shall be done by resolution or ordinance, but, in fact, the action Monday involved two resolutions, one accepting Mr. Shearer's resignation, the other appointing Mr. Schenker to the vacancy created thereby.

Article II, Section 15, provides: Except as otherwise provided

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in this Charter or by ordinance or law, all ordinances and resolutions passed by the Council shall take effect at the time indicated therein, but not less than ten days from the date of their final passage. The affirmative vote of at least six members of the Council shall be required to pass any ordinance or resolution as an emergency measure. An emergency measure... may be made effective immediately upon enactment."

In view of these provisions we would point out that both resolutions of Monday, respectively, accepting Mr. Shearer's resignation and appointing Mr. Schenker, were either not emergency resolutions, and are therefore of no effect until the lapse of ten days, or they were emergency resolutions and are void since only five, and not the required six affirmative votes were cast.

These legal questions have no relation to Mr. Schenker's qualifications for the position."

Mrs. Passmore stated that she had been approached by many of the backers of the recall movement against five city councilmen, asking whether the League would support recall. She also felt that it was timely for the League Board to consider how we should go about defending San Antonio's Council-Manager Charter against current and forthcoming attacks.

During the discussion that followed it was the consensus of opinion that support of recall would amount to endorsing or condemning candidates, which the League does not do. It was felt that the job for the League was to support San Antonio's Council-Manager Charter and to soft-pedal revision at this time. It was felt that we should try to get before the public some sort of a Bill-of-particulars showing how the Charter had been violated and why and where government had not lived up to the expectations of the Charter supporters.

It was decided that we should publicize our non-partisan recall stand. Mrs. Passmore appointed the following board members to write a statement which was released to the newspapers for publication August 19: Mesdames von Phul, Frankenstein, Allensworth, Ashford, and Wentworth.

The prepared statement read as follows:

" Because of the League's non-partisan policy, it can take no stand on the recall of individual council members since the League never supports or opposes individuals, but acts only on issues.

The issue that most concerns the League is the preservation of Council-Manager government.

The League has always worked to secure Council-Manager government for San Antonio and will continue to support the principles

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of Council-Manager government embodied in our charter. It will protest any violations of that charter in the future as it has in the past, and will oppose any proposals designed to undermine Council-Manager government."

During the discussion of the recall movement the question came up as to whether board members could sign the recall petitions. A few board members had already signed. In view of the League's non-partisan stand it was decided that board members who had not signed would refrain from signing.

The question also arose about recall activity on the part of members. The feeling was that so long as they acted as individuals rather than as League representatives they were free to do as they saw fit.

The question of how to defend the charter was turned back to Mrs. Allensworth and her committee with suggestions that the Speakers' Bureau be used extensively, and that we prepare to defend the Charter with written material against revision or abolition attempts.

Mrs. Passmore reported that we had had occasion to protest another Charter violation on July 27 in a telegram sent to Mayor Pro-Tem R. L. Lester. Our protest read as follows:

"The League of Women Voters notes with concern that for the second successive year the Council has failed to adopt a budget appropriation ordinance by July 27th, the deadline prescribed by Article VI, Section 83 of the City Charter."

Newspaper stories carrying the statement quoted Mrs. Passmore to the effect that setting the public hearing as late as July 27 left no time for deliberation by the Council on anything that might be brought out in the hearings. She suggested that the solution would be to arrange for public hearings to be held earlier to give ample time for consideration so that the budget appropriation ordinance might be passed within the charter deadline.

ok Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman, reported that her committee had prepared a statement to be used for prospect letters in the finance drive, and that 800 were being made for distribution. She stated that she was busy doing Viewpoint columns on the City Charter and would welcome suggestions.

or Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman, reviewed the tentative program for the year which had been prepared by her and Mrs. Sexauer. She checked particularly on plans for briefing sessions and topics for resource people.

The September program called for an orientation tea with a

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speaker on some phase of education in Texas, to coincide with the new Know Your State material on Education. It was decided that Mrs. Passmore would ask Mrs. Rufus Bell, and Mrs. Sexauer would check to see whether we might have it at Joske's Camelia Room.

Mrs. West, co-chairman on Individual Liberties, stated that she planned to make a short bibliography available to members not later than December, preferably in November. She would plan on briefing in January.

OK Miss Kelley, Finance Chairman, announced that the first Finance meeting would be September 8.

Mrs. Leoznar's report as Bulletin Chairman was read by the Secretary in her absence. She reported that Bulletin expenditures were running ahead of the Budget to such an extent that it would be necessary to economize in some way. She outlined plans to have League members out stencil to save one-third of printing costs. Also she suggested that one issue in mid-September serve the two months of September and October.

Mrs. Leoznar also requested information for the September Bulletin and listed specific phases of League activity on which she wanted reports by September 7.

There were no reports from the Voters Service Chairman or the Membership Chairman since both were absent and no members of their committees were on hand.

OK Mrs. Fowler, Publications Chairman, raised the question of whether we should buy some copies of the City Charter at one dollar each. The board decided "no".

Each board member present contributed a dollar to be used to purchase League publications distributed to board members.

Mrs. Frankenstein, County Survey Chairman, reported that a new list of County officials would be mimeographed for insertion in the Surveys after election.

She reported that a letter was being worked out to be sent to schools to promote sale of copies of the Survey. She said she had been asked for the story of San Antonio's distribution of the Survey by the editors of the State Bulletin.

Mrs. Passmore stated that we were still in need of a Chairman for Jury Service for Women. The board consented to her suggestion that she ask Mrs. Jack Pope.

Mrs. Vexler, co-chairman of National Item I, reported that it

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was her offhand opinion that the contemplated Trade Survey was not applicable to San Antonio. She based this reaction on the outline entitled "Local Effects of Foreign Trade" which emphasized ~~XXXX~~ survey in the fields of agriculture, mining, and manufacturing, examining effects of foreign trade on production of commodities in individual communities. However she stated that the proposed survey would have further study by her committee before a recommendation would be brought to board. All board members received copies of the survey ~~xxx~~ outline for study.

Mrs. Passmore announced that the San Antonio College was organizing a course in Municipal Govt. and Administration and would like to use our membership list to publicize the course. The board agreed to let the college use the list providing it would be returned to us.

Mrs. Passmore brought into the meeting two copies of the "National Republic" magazine for August 1954 containing a damaging article by Dr. Felix Wittmer entitled, "How Far to the Left is the League of Women Voters?" She gave the board the information she had been able to obtain from the public library about the magazine and the author. She stated that no information on the action that would be taken by our national office was available yet.

Mrs. Passmore asked whether the board thought we should order any of the slides which had been used at National Convention. There was no immediate use for them foreseen by any board member so it was agreed none would be ordered.

The meeting adjourned.

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Sept. 16, 1954

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, June 23, 1954 at 10 a.m.

Those present were Mesdames Passmore, Ashford, Willette, von Phul, Frankenstein, Allensworth, Sexauer, Holden, Ewart, Jourdin, Scott, Leoznar, and Miss Otela Kelley. Non-board members present were Mrs. J. J. Raidt, Mrs. A. B. Wacker, Mrs. Georgia Smith, Mrs. Louis West, Mrs. Wilbert Ray, Mrs. Lloyd Humphreys, Miss Dorothy Kneell, Mrs. Harold Vexler, Mrs. Walter Stiles, and Mrs. Jack Mayfield. We had two visitors from Austin: Mrs. Claude Hill and Mrs. William Schutz.

Mrs. Passmore presided at the meeting and began by introducing all those present.

Mrs. Wacker, who was present to conduct board orientation, opened the meeting with a brief discussion of the responsibilities of a board member. She emphasized that working in the League is a cooperative work, not something we do on our own. She suggested that from time to time we evaluate what we do as a League in terms of League recognition standards.

The Secretary read the minutes of the May 26 regular board meeting which were approved as corrected.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read and filed for audit.

Throughout the meeting, as each board member reported, Mrs. Wacker raised pertinent questions, discussed problems and made suggestions regarding the portfolio.

✓ Mrs. von Phul, Public Relations Chairman, reported that the League had entered several projects in the Clubwomen's Contest sponsored by the San Antonio News and Express, namely our County Survey, the new spaper column: League of Women Voters Viewpoint, and The County Bond Issue Voter's Guide. She foresaw small chance of winning any prizes because of our inability to meet a number of conditions prescribed by the newspaper.

✓ Mrs. Sexauer, Third Vice-President, furnished new copies of the By-Laws and the Membership List and reported that she had worked with Mrs. Passmore on a tentative calendar of League activities for the coming year.

✓ Mrs. Ewart, Membership Chairman, reported that her orientation sub-committee under Mrs. Schloss was producing a new outline usable by unit leaders for 5 to 10 minutes of orientation at each meeting. A series on orientation was also being planned for the Bulletin. A new member kit would be ready in the fall, and units would be prepared to take over all telephoning of their own members in the fall. Plans were going forward in cooperation with Mrs. Raidt for a young business women's unit.

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✓ Bulletin Chairman, Mrs. Lecznar, announced that the next bulletin would be published in August or September. She made several suggestions with regard to the Bulletin: That League orientation be made a part of the Bulletin news as a regular policy; that the Bulletin help to sell publications; that unit meeting announcements carry more information about content of meetings; and that the Bulletin editor be given more information in advance of board meetings on what is coming up so that news could be organized in advance.

Following discussion of the difficulties of completing the Bulletin by the first of the month with board meetings coming on the fourth Wednesday, it was the feeling of those present that we should try the third Wednesday of the month as a meeting date hereafter.

✓ Otela Kelley, Finance Chairman, reported that September 13 to 25 had been set as the dates for the Finance drive; that there were plans for a wonderful party for those participating.

✓ Mrs. Parker, Units Chairman and Mrs. Fowler, Publications Chairman, were absent but their portfolios were discussed by Mrs. Wacker as part of board orientation.

✓ Mrs. Willette, Voters Service Chairman, reported that questionnaires had been sent to Legislative candidates and County Office candidates but that replies had not been received. She stated that after the answers had been compiled the newspapers would be approached with regard to printing them. If the newspapers did not cooperate, some sort of a brochure was contemplated. She stated that 1000 each of the State Voters Guides and the Council of Churches Guides had been ordered. Mrs. Wacker announced that there would be a State Voters Guide on the Primaries and one on the Amendments and General Election in the fall. She also stated that a kit on jury service for women and a new pamphlet on jury service would be forthcoming from the state office.

✓ Mrs. Scott, Chairman of National Item I, stated that Mrs. Vexler would take over briefing on Item I during her absence on a European trip in August. Mrs. Passmore suggested that some of the planning by resource chairmen and their committees could be done during the summer. Mrs. Wacker pointed out that meetings on techniques and organization during the summer might be useful, but that briefing would necessarily have to follow receipt of new material. She suggested that summer meetings to set up techniques for organizing resource committees with a representative in each unit might be worthwhile.

✓ Mrs. Tobin, Know Your State Chairman, was absent. Mrs. Wacker announced that a new section on Education has been distributed and suggested it as likely material for a program in September.

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Mrs. Passmore announced the appointment of Mrs. Lecznar as ~~By-Laws~~ Chairman; the appointment of Mrs. Schloss as Chairman of the Budget Committee; and of Mrs. Holden as Chairman of the Home Rule for Washington, D.C. platform item. She stated that she planned to appoint Mrs. Dan Henke as Chairman of the Platform Item Fiscal Policy, but had been unable to reach her.

Mrs. Allensworth reported for the committee on finding a successor to Mrs. Herder as Chairman of our local program item on Council Manager Government. She stated that while there were many potential committee members who might eventually be able to assume chairmanship, the committee was at a loss to find a chairman with the necessary qualifications. They suggested that Mrs. Allensworth might take on the Chairmanship again if she could be relieved of her present responsibilities.

Mrs. Ashford made a motion that Mrs. Allensworth be the board Chairman of the Council Manager portfolio with the understanding that she be relieved of her duties as Program Coordinator. The motion was seconded and carried.

The board discussed the possibility that Mrs. Sexauer and Mrs. Parker might share the job of program coordinator. In the absence of Mrs. Parker, no decision was reached.

Mrs. Passmore stated that the issue of Jury Service for Women would become very important this fall and there was a need for someone to lead it. Mrs. Lecznar made a motion that Mrs. Passmore should appoint a jury service chairman. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. von Phul nominated Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Ewart to be members of the nominating committee as representatives of the board. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary.

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at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Tuesday, June 8, 1954 at 8:00 p.m.

The last general meeting until fall consisted of a garden party at the Passmore home.

Members and guests heard reports on National League Convention from Mrs. William Parker, Mrs. B. H. Passmore, Mrs. J. J. Raidt, Mrs. William von Phul, and Mrs. William B. Lecznar.

Gerald L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
AT THE HOME OF MRS. PASSMORE, Wednesday, May 26, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Jourdin, Scott, Passmore, Ashford, Frankenstein, Fowler, Holden, Tobin, Willette, Sexauer, Lecznar, Ewart, Carp, and Allensworth, and Miss Otela Kelley. Non-board member, Mrs. Mayfield, was also present. Mrs. Passmore presided.

Mrs. Passmore welcomed new board members: Mrs. Fowler, who will handle Publications, and Mrs. Carp, who will have the Election Laws portfolio. *resigned*

Minutes of the April 21 regular board meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read and filed for audit. Mrs. Holden brought in the annual audit which had been done by Mr. Roy Pope. She read a letter from Mr. Pope complimenting Mrs. Sexauer upon the neatness and accuracy of her reports.

The board planned a general meeting for June to take place Tuesday, June 8, at 8 p.m. in the garden at the Passmore home. Husbands are to be invited. The program was placed in charge of those members who had attended National Convention. A record or reading of Mrs. Lee's speech at Convention was to be a part of the program. The telephone committee was to call all members.

Mrs. Passmore announced that we had been asked to function as hostesses on the evening of June 17 at the American Friends Service Committee Institute on International Relations at St. Paul's Church. The board felt that we should serve, and Mrs. Raidt and Mrs. Scott were placed in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Scott made a motion that the League furnish refreshments costing ten dollars or less. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore announced that Mrs. Wacker had consented to conduct board orientation on Wednesday, June 23, for board members and other League leaders. A 10 a.m. meeting was planned with members bringing sandwiches and staying until about 3 p.m.

Mrs. Ashford spoke briefly about arrangements for completing board notebooks. Mrs. Passmore reported that Mrs. Wacker wanted all board members to reread their handbooks before orientation.

Mrs. Passmore asked that tentative plans for the coming year's program be turned in to her in time to compile a tentative year's calendar before the June 23 meeting.

Mrs. Willette reviewed the Voter's Service activities contemplated for the remainder of 1954. She also raised the question of whether she should offer her resignation to the board in view of the fact that her husband had become a candidate for Precinct Committeeman. Following discussion, Mrs. Allensworth made a motion that our Voter's Service Chairman continue on her job without jeopardizing the non-

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partisan position of the League in the community. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore reported that the State Office was doing a voter's guide on the top state jobs, and that the Council of Churches would be getting out a candidates' questionnaire on all state jobs. Board opinion was that we might be of greatest service with information for the public on the county level. Mrs. Willette and Mrs. Frankenstein are to be cochairmen of a committee to consider questions which should be asked of the candidates. They are to see whether the newspapers might agree to print the answers by candidates. General feeling seemed to be that a League brochure would be desirable if arrangements could not be made with one or more of the newspapers to print our findings.

Mrs. Scott reported that we had attractive and well-received United Nations and World Trade displays at the Carnival of Nations. The World Trade skit was not produced at the Arneson River Theater as planned. However, Mrs. Stiles, Mrs. Passmore, and Mrs. von Phul appeared on radio and TV World Trade programs during that week.

Mrs. Sexauer, Mrs. Carp, Mrs. Jourdin, and Mrs. Ewart reported briefly on their portfolios.

Mrs. Passmore announced that Mrs. Parker was absent speaking to the Copas Christi League about the National Convention.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Herder resigning from the board. Mrs. Willette moved that Mrs. Herder's resignation be accepted with regret. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Scott suggested that a committee be appointed to consider a replacement for Mrs. Herder before the next board meeting. Mrs. Passmore appointed Mrs. Allensworth, Miss Kelley, Mrs. Ewart, and Mrs. Lecznar to consult with the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Ashford moved that the committee be authorized to make a selection. The motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Kelley made suggestions for the fall finance drive, and it was decided to hold it between September 13 and September 25.

Mrs. Passmore reviewed miscellaneous correspondence including a request from the state office for suggestions on planning area conferences for October and November. The Chairmen of the State Items will give their attention to the request.

The meeting adjourned.

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Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the YWCA, Tuesday, May 11, 1954, at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Passmore presided. She opened the meeting by stating the purpose of the League and its non-partisan policy. The meeting was termed a "School for Political Effectiveness".

Dr. O. Douglas Weeks, Chairman of the Department of Government at the University of Texas, was the first speaker, on the topic, "Political Parties in Texas". He reviewed the history of presidential politics in Texas over the last twenty years and concluded that the development of a two party political system in Texas must await the realignment of Democrats and Republicans nationally.

Mrs. Mary K. Wall, who is on the Texas Attorney General's staff, discussed election laws pertaining to the coming elections.

Also participating in the program was Mrs. Eugene Willette, Voters Service Chairman, who spoke briefly on how the citizen could fit himself into the organization of the political party.

Lists were distributed of the candidates who had filed for offices as Democrats and Republicans.

The meeting adjourned.

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Wednesday, April 21, 1954 at 1:30 p.m.

Those present were Mesdames Passmore, Parker, Ashford, von Phul, Herder, Lecznar, Willette, Frankenstein, Scott, Tobin, Jourdin, Holden, and Alleneworth. Mrs. Mayfield and Mrs. Raidt, non-board members were also present. Mrs. Passmore presided.

Minutes of the March 17 board meeting were read and approved.

Since the books were out for audit, Mrs. Holden gave a partial Treasurer's report which was accepted.

Mrs. Passmore announced that we would have three visitors to National Convention, Mrs. Lecznar, Mrs. Raidt, and Mrs. Passmore.

Mrs. Passmore and Mrs. Willette outlined plans for a Political Effectiveness School to be presented for the general public, Tuesday, May 11, at 8 p.m. at the YWOA auditorium. The program was to consist of a speech by Dr. Douglas Weeks of the University of Texas on Political Parties in Texas, a discussion of election codes by Miss Mary K. Wall, Assistant to the Attorney General of Texas, a talk by Mrs. Willette on "How To Work in Your Party", and an audience participation event involving the compilation by each individual of the list of candidates who had filed for offices.

Mrs. Passmore and Mrs. Scott discussed plans for our participation in the Carnival of Nations. We are to have a booth featuring the United Nations, and a World Trade display. A skit on World Trade has been furnished by the League and will be produced at the Arneson River Theater. Mr. Potter of Joskes will furnish the background for our World Trade display and Mesdames Scott, Tobin, and von Phul will be in charge of the booth. Mrs. Parker furnished a list of volunteers from the units to man the booths.

Mrs. von Phul announced a forthcoming broadcast from the National League Convention. She stated that her public relations committee was being broadened.

Mesdames Herder, Tobin, and Jourdin reported briefly on their portfolios. Mrs. Frankenstein discussed further distribution which had been made of the County Survey. She announced that Mrs. Steinberg had appeared on a Jr. Chamber of Commerce Forum on County Home Rule on April 18.

Mrs. Scott announced that she had made a talk at Lackland Air Base April 12. She called attention to an attack on the U.N. in the Express of April 18, a story about a U.N. proposal to abolish property rights. She had sent a copy to the national office and was investigating sources of the story.

Mrs. Passmore announced that Mrs. Schloss and Miss McGown had been

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unable to accept board appointments.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that Mrs. Francis Carp be asked to take the Election Laws portfolio. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. von Phul moved that Mrs. Paul L. Fowler be invited to take the Publications portfolio if she could accept without giving up her unit leadership. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore announced that board orientation was scheduled for the fourth Wednesday in June. Board members suggested that we ask for Mrs. A. B. Wacker as our leader.

The meeting adjourned.

*Minutes approved
May 26, 1954*

Carol L. Ashford
Mrs. Gerald R. Ashford
Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTER OF SAN ANTONIO was held in the home of Ruth Von Phul, March 20, 1956 at 1:30 P.M. Present were mesdames Barstis, Call, Johnston, Davis, Smith, Holden, Allensworth and Ashford. Guests were Mrs. Cockrell, DeKanter,

Mrs. Ashford introduced the new board members. The minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Holden reported 1 new member this month. Mrs. Holden, new unit chairman reported that the unit organization would not be reactivated until after the state convention. Mrs. Von Phul reported on public relations for the state convention and said that Fay Sinkin is doing radio and T.V. spots. The special article in the Christian Science Monitor was mailed to 229 members. Mrs. Von Phul was asked to investigate the difference in cost of sending it stuffed in envelopes and with the bulletins; Margaret Wentworth to be reimbursed up to that amount. Mrs. Davis reported that invitations were sent to Const. Review Workshop speakers to attend the meeting to hear Mr. Bebout. She also reported on her appearance with her husband before the Pilot Club (about 30 present) who will be interested next year in a Const. Review program.

Motion was made by Davis, that we cut the price of the County Survey to \$.15 for the convention. Passed.

Mrs. Barstis is to participate with the American Dream Pageant at Joskes April 19, sponsored by American Heritage Ass.

In the absence of a voters service chairman Mrs. Ashford told of a new state publication. It was decided that 500 should be ordered for the membership and other distribution at \$1.00 per c.

Freedom Agenda chairman, Leah Johnston told of a group of girls at the YWCA representing 5 highschools, 14 girls are discussing some of the Freedom Agenda pamphlets and are very interested. It was moved by Norma Call, seconded by Mrs. Smith, that Mrs. Attneave be appointed to set up the know your city survey and that someone be asked to work with her and take over in August when Mrs. Attneave leaves for California.

It was moved and seconded by Allensworth and Davis that all delegates to State convention be reimbursed for the cost of the banquet at \$3.00. Passed.

The following board vacancies were discussed, Finance chairman, Voters Service and State Items.

The cost of sending delegates to the National Convention was discussed. The local league will be allowed 3 delegates from April 30-May 4. Mrs. Ashford, Otela Kelley and Margaret Wentworth were elected delegates with Florence Passmore as first alternate, Ruth Von Phul, second alternate, Fay Sinkin third alternate and possible visitors Kay West and Ted DeKanter. Mrs. Davis moved their election and Johnston seconded the motion.

General membership meeting in May was discussed with National Convention being the item of interest for program.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Regular Board meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters
February 8, 1956 at the Y.W.C.A.

Present were Mesdames Attneave, Holden, Davis, Scott, Ray, West, Willette, Kentworth, Fowler, Von Phul, Johnston, Ashford, Sexauer, Allensworth and Miss Kelley.

Minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved. The treasurers report is attached.

Mrs. Wentworth reported as second Vice President on the State Budget Committee meeting in Waco in January. She said that the little Budget meetings were very much in accord in their thinking and the state budget will conform to the overall thinking.

Mrs. Wentworth presented her formal resignation from the board since her husband has filed as candidate for County Commissioner. Miss Kelly moved that we accept her resignation, Attneave seconded and motion passed.

Mrs. Von Phul moved that Mrs. Holden assume her office as second vice-president. Mrs. Willette seconded. Motion passed.

National Item #1 was reported by Mrs. Scott. Two units have invited her to give a review of Tariff and Trade, a new publication on trade. She also attended briefing session of unit leaders. She had also been invited to meet with the Lackland Unit to discuss the relation of the Bricker Amendment to Tariff and Trade.

National Item # 2, Kay West reporting, said the units are now discussing Freedom Agenda and Individual liberties. She reminded the board that we are now facing national program making and should be reconsidering national item suggestions. In March the YWCA public affairs committee will be completing its study on Freedom Agenda and be ready to start a community program perhaps using Mrs. Foreman to start it off.

Voters Service, Mrs. Willette, said that she had attended a meeting at Madonna Center where she had been asked to conduct a discussion of a possible unit there. Mrs. Frank Assisi did the interpreting. She also announced that the Voting Calendar is at the printers. Mrs. Von Phul did the reediting. 10,000 have been ordered. Clemens printing Co. producing it for us.

Runth Von Ohul announced that the memorial to Mrs. Fuller in the bulletin had been written by Leah Johnston.

Mrs. Von Phul then presented the Amarillo Proposals for discussion. The problem of how to present these proposed changes to the membership was discussed. The bulletin will carry explanatory notice for discussion in the units.

During the board meeting visiting league members brought up very pertinent questions concerning league programming and how we determine areas of action--one specifically pertaining to the incident of the negro student applying at Alabama University.

Voters service has been asked for some help in making candidates questionnaires, opinions on issues, due February 29.

Marian Davis gave a report on the KYS state workshop questionnaire. 27 out of 35 local leagues held workshops.

Proposed state program proposals were read. Second round of proposed program items must be in by Feb. 27 to forward to Carol Ashford by March 5 to state office.

Otela Kelly gave a final report on the finance campaign that closed Dec. 31. Spring contributors will be counted in the next campaign.

Mrs. Ray asked for \$12.00 to be used to send questionnaires to membership. Mrs. Willette moved that the bill be allowed. Mrs. Holden seconded and motion passed.

A letter of resignation from Shirley Martin was read and accepted with regret. Mrs. Von Phul made the motion and Davis seconded.

Mrs. Allensworth moved that Gladys Marstis be appointed to take Mrs. Martin's place on the board. Mrs. Willette seconded and motion passed.

The following were suggested as delegates to the State Convention: Mesdames Norton, Attneave, West, Davis, Johnston, Fowler, Call, Barrera, Mentor, Wacker, Humphreies, Ray, Marr, Weiner, Smitt, Koch, Conroy, Castleberry, Ewart, and Sinkin.

Mrs. Von Phul moved that delegates who require baby sitters be reimbursed up to \$10.00 for shuhh expense. Mrs. Willette seconded and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
February 8, 1956 at the Y.W.C.A.

Mrs. Ashford presided, introduced the guests and one new member.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved as read.

Several announcements of general interest were made:

Community Welfare council conference at the Gunter Hotel February 15 from 9:00 A.M. through Luncheon Title "Children Our Concern"

Announcement of Brotherhood week was made by Leah Johnston

A new League publication PROGRAM RECORD WAS MENTIONED

Mrs. Passmore, general chairman of the State Convention March 26-29 at the Plaza Hotel was introduced and spoke briefly on the present plans.

The program for the day was an Open Board meeting held in regular session.

Mrs. Ashford opened with a brief orientation on league structure, explaining duties and responsibilities of the board.

Board minutes are attached.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Regular Board Meeting of the SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
January 11, 1956 at the home of Mrs. Clayton Scott.

Present were mesdames, Wentworth, Scott, Martin, Johnston, Willette, Ashford, Ray, Fowler, Davis, Attneave, West, Holden and Miss Kelley. Guests included Mesdames Hill, Norton, Barstis, Call and Koch, and Weiner.

Minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The president then called for the report of the local program committee, Mrs. Tomme Call reporting for the Chairman Marilyn Wecker. She said five items had been presented to the units for discussion and recommendation. Forty-two members in the units participated in the program discussions. The following were the items presented in the units:

1. A study of the manner in which the city charter provisions for a public welfare department are being met in relation to the needs of the community and with a view to recommending such action as seems indicated. Five units recommended and one suggested as secondary
2. Study of measures to eradicate slums in San Antonio and to promote enforcement of rules and regulations which prevent the creation of new slums. One unit recommended as study item, but action depend on
3. A study of local school governing bodies, the laws and regulations concerning them with special interest in consolidation of school districts as a means of more efficient administration. not recommended
4. A know your City survey with a view to preparation of a handbook.
5. Work for a county medical examiner. /3 recommended 1 did not.

County commissioners have already acted on this item.

Two units suggested study of the water board as a new item...also some individuals suggested this as an item of study to the committee. Committee felt that the water problem belonged on the state level.

~~The units interested in the following items were:~~

The committee recommended the following: item # 1 as the first in importance and # 2 as the secondary item and suggested that Continuing responsibilities be;

1. Continued use of the County Survey to meet the needs for a modernized and efficient structure of government, and action in local areas to attain it.

2. Continued support of the basic principles of council-manager government.

After much discussion as to the reasoning of the units and the committee in selecting the above items the board felt that the Know your City Survey would lay the groundwork for the more detailed and specific items as suggested in the public welfare, slum clearance, and education study. The units interested in these fields could take them as their survey items for study, or specific individuals in each unit could select their interest in making the study and thus there would be engendered much more widespread interest and reach more league membership. Since a Know your City Survey is long overdue, and a natural followup on the Council-Manager item to branch out into a more general study of our city, the Board felt that such a survey would prepare us more thoroughly for these more specific items which we have not as yet studied.

Mrs. Ray made a motion, Mrs. West seconded, that the following be recommended to the general membership as Item # 1 on the local agenda:

1. A ~~Study~~ your City Survey with a view to preparation of a Handbook.
Motion passed.
Continuing responsibilities to be as suggested by the program committee.

The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Holden and is attached for audit.

Mrs. Hill presented the proposed budget for the ensuing year. Motion was made by Mrs. Ray and seconded by Mrs. Attneave that the proposed budget be accepted and presented to the general membership at the annual meeting. Motion passed.

Mrs. Norton presented the report of the nominating committee as follows:

Second vice-president, Mrs. John Holden
Third vice-president, Mrs. Clifford Davis
Treasurer, Mrs. Edward Deland Smith
Directors for two years:

Mrs. Tommie Call
Mrs. Albert Barstis
Mrs. Leah Johnston

Director for 1 year

Mrs. Ed. Conroy

Nominating committee for next year Chairman, Mrs. Robt Smith,
Mrs. E. J. Wentworth and Mrs. J. J. Raidt.

Mrs. Attneave announced that she would be away from San Antonio for approximately a year beginning this summer.

A general membership meeting in February was discussed. It was suggested that since there was need of membership understanding of board function in relation to membership it might be good orientation to conduct an open board meeting as a part of the program. Mrs. Willette made a motion that this idea be carried out, seconded by Mrs. West. The meeting to be limited to approximately an hour. If necessary other pertinent business of the board to be carried on after the adjournment of the general membership meeting. The time was set for Feb 8 at noon at the YWCA if possible.

The annual meeting was set for Tuesday March 13 as a supper meeting to be held someplace other than the YWCA/. Mrs. Willette made the motion seconded by Mrs. Ray.

Mrs. Passmore gave a detailed report on the organizational setup of the state convention. A copy of her report is attached.

Mrs. Willette reported on the plans for the printing of an election calendar and fact sheet. She was asked to get prices on printing of various quantities. She also told of appearing on the Tommy Reynolds TV show on Dec. 19.

Mrs. Wentworth reported on the state budget committee meeting. She also told of a special article on the League of Women Voters scheduled to appear in the Christiana Science Monitor on Feb. 9, written by Josephine Ripley. It is a good public education tool as reported by Mrs. Wentworth. Mrs. Holden moved that the league purchase 300 copies. Seconded by Willette and passed.

Mrs. Scott reported that the membership should be alerted to the importance of tariff and trade in the congressional session and that the league should be prepared to follow closely the discussions.

Mrs. Willette reported on the work of the committee developing a local policy sheet. She said there was feeling in the committee that there should be more general membership thinking considered in developing the sheet. The committee is delaying action for the time being.

Mrs. Ashford reported that we had been invited to participate in a Democratic workshop panel on the Poll tax. It was the general feeling that this was not within league policy and that we decline with thanks the invitation.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS,
DECEMBER 13, 1955 was held in the home of Mrs. Wilbert Ray
at 1:30 P.M.

Present were Mesdames West, Ashford, Holden, Sexauer, Ray,
Wentworth, Johnston, Davis, Fowler, VonPhul, Willette, Scott,
Allensworth, Passmore and Miss Kelley.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved
as corrected.

The treasurers report is attached. Mrs. Holden reported on the
"little budget" meeting in Austin. The general membership over
the state is dropping, one of the problems being weak leagues,
not properly started and indicating the need for more field
service from the state office. The problem of leadership seems
to be paramount and the question of whether standards of leader-
ship have been held too high was raised. Also the problem of
the work load was factor in finding leadership and the suggestion
of just one item on each level of government for the agenda was
discussed. A 5% increase in the state budget was to be recommended.
The state budget committee meeting is set for Jan. 18 to make
final recommendations. The local budget committee will report
at the next board meeting.

A motion was made by _____ that Mrs. Leah Johnston be elected
to the board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of
Virginia Benham. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Johnston
will carry the portfolio of County government.

Mrs. West reported that her committee had been appearing in
various groups, Nov. 15 Mesdames Feingold, Attneave and West
presented a panel on the Bill of Rights before Chapter Y P.E.O.
Mrs. West also presented a discussion at the Veterinary Auxillary,
also conducted a workshop on discussion techniques for the
public affairs committee of the YWCA in preparation for a
Freedom Agenda study in all Y.W. groups.. Dec. 2 Mrs. Norton
Attneave and West appeared before a study group of the Council
of Jewish Women. Monday Dec. 12 the YWCA Public Affairs comm.
and the League Board sponsored a showing of the film FREEDOM
TO LEARN at an evening meeting at the Y.

Mrs. West was appointed to clear with the National office on
the use of cooperation with N.E.A. of films on education. To
work with her on the committee are Mrs. Holden and Mrs. VonPhul.

Mrs. Scott reported that she had spoken before Trinity Christian
Church women on the Activities and accomplishments of the U.N.
She also called attention to the fact that the National budget
was being threatened in a cut to foreign aid. This should be
watched since Russia is stepping up assistance to other countries.

National program recommendations as submitted by the committee
were read to the board by Mrs. Ashford.

It was decided that 15 copies of THE PROGRAM RECORD should be
ordered for board members.

Mrs. Davis reported on the Constitution Review Workshop and presented a tabulation of attendance and survey of the people attending as to community representation. She recommended that hereafter the unit meetings should not be disbanded during some such special workshop sessions. The end result of the formation of a citizen committee or failure to do so was discussed, also the value of the workshop to the league and the community. There was the feeling that although the participation was not overly great, there was much value in the public discussion, through the newspapers and general information discussion generated. Most problems of such magnitude take many years to build the necessary public interest to obtain the active interest of the general public. Mrs. Davis reported that the \$10. per meeting rental did not cover \$6.60 for Mr. Newcomer or \$1.30 for the maid, making a total of \$39.63 total cost. 1.73) Mrs. Ray made motion that the bill be paid. Willette seconded and motion passed. Mr. Newcomer furnished the flowers from the Alamo Gardens.

Nominations for state offices was discussed. It was suggested that "cookie" Smith be nominated for the highest available office, depending on the present officers renomination.

Mrs. Wentworth reported that she was to speak before two PTA groups in January on citizenship. Mrs. Allensworth is also to speak to a PTA group in January on Citizenship.

The State program recommendations were read by Mrs. Ashford as submitted by the committee.

In the absence of Mrs. Attneave, Mrs. Ashford reported that Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Attneave had been attending Council meetings. Mrs. Bell had talked to the City federation on the proposed city bond issue. Mrs. Ashford also told the board there were to be water board hearing at the city hall that evening.

Mesdames Wacker, Call, Smith and Fowler are working on the local program recommendations and they will be presented at the next board meeting.

Mrs. Willette said she had two questions to submit for discussion. Namely, how shall we participate in the Poll tax drive this year or shall we? and What shall we substitute if we decide not to sell poll taxes? After considerable discussion, Miss Kelley made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Fowler that we do not sell poll taxes this year. Motion passed. It was then decided that a voters service tool be produced such as the "Do it yourself" flyer with voters calendar and voting instructions. Motion that this be carried out made by Ray and seconded by Kelley and passed. Mrs. Willette to act as chairman.

Mrs. Ray reported that the membership committee is in the process of getting questionnaires on member qualifications and interests distributed to members.

Mrs. Ashford reported for Martin is working on a checklist for board member notebooks.

Miss Kelley reported that we had a little over \$500 to go to meet our budget. It was decided to formally close the books on the finance campaign on December 31.

Mrs. Fowler appealed to the board for ideas as to how to stimulate interest in the units and make the members feel important enough.

It was announced that Percy Lee was to appear on the CBS morning show from 7:00 -8:00 A.M/

Mrs. VonPhul asked for board advice as to what we should do on the local level concerning the attacks on the league from outside sources. It was decided that there should be a discussion of league policy and program building and membership responsibility for program and its relationship to overall league policy in the next bulletin.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS NOVEMBER 9, 1955
in the home of Mrs. Wilbert Ray.

Those present were: Mesdames Sexauer, Fowler, Ray, Martin, Holden, Von Phul, Davis, Willette, Wentworth, Allensworth, Ashford and Miss Kelley. Vistors were mesdames Norton and Weiner.

Minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved.

The treasurers report was read and attached to the minutes. Comparative figures were submitted on the budget and present expenditures. The total number of members to date is 283, 290 including associate members, with 40 unpaid to date.

A committeeto draft the program recommendations was appointed by Mrs. Ashford as follows , Chairman, Ruth Von Phul, Charlotte Fowler and Margaret Wentworth.

Discussion of the items as suggested by the units was presented. The preponderance seemed to lie in some phase of individual liberties and then as second in interest the items as they now stand. Mrs Willette moved, Wentworth seconded a motion that the item on Individual Liberties remain as it is now stated and if it was to be dropped from the national agenda that it be place in continuing responsibilities. Motion passed. Item # 2 on the National Agenda was referred to the committee, suggesting that it be made a trade item with specific emphasis on customs.

On the state level the great itm of interest among the units was a mental health item such as an appraisal of the Texas Hospital System. The board thinking seemed to be that the Texas Research League has done such a study and that League emphasis should be on some other phase of the problem. How this could be channeled into legislative study was debated. The second item most discussed and desired by the units was Texas Constitutional revision with specific action to be taken.

Mrs. Attneave made motion that the committee work out proper wording that reflects the keen member interest in mental health with emphasis on appropriate league study and actions aspects. Motion died for lack of a second.

Von Phul made motion, seconded by Willette that a study of Texas Mental health problems as a basis for support of legislative measures on the state level to alleviate the problems be made. Motion passed.

The board then requested the committee draft a suggested item on the KNow your state item constitutional revision with emphasis on action in this field.

It was recommended that election laws be placed in the continuing responsibilities.

The local city bond issue was discussed. Attneave moved, Wentworth seconded a motion that a statement be prepared by Mrs. Ashford and Von Phul stating the board position on the Bonddelectin in relation to our previous stand on the principles of ~~XXXX~~ Council Manager government, one item being long range planning of capital improvements.

Marian Davis reported that the KYS workshop was being publicized on KONO on three Sunday nights preceding each workshop for 15 minutes. Two different people to discuss the workshop on the three programs.

Two letters were read from Paul Hilday and Olin LeBaronn thanking the league for invitations to the Workshop.

Wentworth reported on the State Budget committee meeting in Waco and announced that there would be "little Budget" meeting in Austin invited to attend were the local budget chairman, treasurer, finance chairman and president.

Miss Kelley, finance chairman announced that a total of \$2101.60 had been collected leaving a balance to be collected of \$748.40 to meet budget requirements.

Mrs. Ashford read a letter of resignation from Virginia Benham. The secretary was instructed to write a letter of acceptance and regret. Motion was made by Marie Holden and seconded by Willette. Passed.

The board suggested that Mrs. Leah Johnston be asked to take the vacancy.

Mrs. Ashford introduced Barbera Norton chairman of the nominating committee. She announced that there were two other vacancies to be filled, chairman of the fiscal item to replace Mrs. Henke and bulletin editor for December since Ruth Von Phul was going to New York.

Speaking engagements of board members were mention. Willette and Von Phul had participated on a program on Jury Service. Mrs. Wentworth on a panel, Mrs. Scott and Holden at Fort Sam Houston, and Mrs. Vexler at Jefferson Methodist Church.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, October 19, 1955 at the home of Marian Davis. Present were Mesdames West, VonPhul, Sexauer, Davis, Ray, Attneave, Holden, Scott, Ashford, Allensworth, Wentworth, Willette and Miss Kelley. Mrs. Passmore also attended.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report was read and a copy is attached.

Mrs. Ashford reported that Marylyn Wacker will act as local program chairman coordinator and that she was asking all board members to suggest items for local program consideration.

Mrs. Edwin Hill has accepted the position of Budget Chairman and it was suggested that Mrs. Kirby Smith be asked to serve with her on the committee since it is a short term job.

State Constitution Review Workshop plans were reported by Marian Davis. Dates for the Workshops to be held in Alamo Hall are Tuesday, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, Dec. 13. Speakers for the first session will be: What is a Constitution? Mrs. Ashford; The Executive, James Mrs. Pat Maloney; The Legislative; Judge Gene Williams Castleberry The Judiciary. Second Session will include Mr. Stanley Banks Jr. on the Constitution, Bill of Rights, Maury Maverick; Suffrage and Elections Mrs. E. P. Willette; Finance and Taxation, Ed. Conroy; State-Local Relations, Tomme Call; General Welfare, Miss Elizabeth Nuelle. The Third Session will include Dr. A. B. Wacker on Legislative Acting as a Revising Body; Kenneth Carey, Constitutional Commission and Truett Chance on Constitutional Convention. Mrs. Earl Wentworth will moderate the meetings.

Public relations chairman, Ruth Von phul reported that Marian Davis and she had called on the newspapers and had received a very warm reception and will give full cooperation. Letters of invitation are being sent to contributors and other interested citizens. Local bookstores are carrying the workshop publication.

Mrs. Willette made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Attneave that \$10.00 be allowed for the rental of Alamo Hall for the workshop. Other expenses including the invitations and programs will probably amount to approximately \$60.00.

Letters complimenting the League on the Constitutional Review were read from Stanley Banks Jr., Maury Maverick and Judge Charles Anderson.

Mrs. Ashford suggested discussion as to the participation of the League in the study of the proposed City Bond issue. Members of the board have been invited to attend this preliminary study meeting. Mrs. Attneave reported on how the committee to study the bond issue was selected. Mrs. Ashford said she saw 4 possible league policies to consider: 1, do nothing; 2. voters service on pros and cons; 3. participate as board members and citizens on the committee of study; and 4. give active league support. Mrs. Willette suggested that a basic essential in our recommendations for Council Manager Government was Sound City Planning. It was the consensus of opinion that this study was basic to good City Planning. Mrs. Attneave made a motion that we attend this Friday Oct. 21 meeting as interested citizens who happen to be members of the Board of the League of Women Voters and that the members accept committee appointments various study groups as citizens. Passed.

Mrs. Ray, membership chairman, reported on an orientation meeting held in Virginia Willette's home. Five members took part in the program. 17 attended.

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Voters Service Chairman, Virginia Willette reported on the conference held with Mr. Dickinson of the County Tax Office. Nellie Mayfield accompanied her. Mr. Dickinson offered to place both Mrs. Mayfield and Mrs. Willette on the County Payroll as regular deputies beginning the first of January for the month at \$150 per month. The Board directed her to decline the offer.

Miss Kelley reported on the finance drive. Mrs. Ashford suggested that perhaps the finance campaign should have an end of the year deadline and that the finance year correspond with the calendar year.

Mrs. West reported on Freedom Agenda Committee work. She met with Mrs. Whitehead, chairman of the Public Affairs Committee of the YWCA and women representing various Christian Organizations to discover their interest in Freedom Agenda program, response was very good. Kay West is scheduled to give a 2 session workshop in December to the women attending; they to spread it through their organizations hoping to develop real interest before Mrs. Forman is here in April. Mrs. West asked for board thinking on bringing in the Jewish groups and Mrs. Passmore noted there is cooperation of the Jewish Community Center plus the Y. W. in some current projects.

A letter was read from Mrs. Richards acknowledging clippings of LW Viewpoint on Freedom Agenda and Mrs. VonPhul reported a letter from National on the same clipping.

Mrs. Ashford asked for members to make reservations to the United Nations Luncheon, Monday Oct. 24. She also asked if the board would authorize a \$2.00 contribution to pay for lunch of a foreign medical officer. Motion made by Miss Kelley and passed.

Mrs. Scott reported on the joint meeting of the Unitarian Women's Alliance and the League. The cost to the League was \$9.50 which was \$5.50 over estimate because of failure of arrangements by Woman's Alliance. She also reported that Mrs. Holden and she had spoken at Trinity Methodist Church on Oct. 16.

Mrs. Ashford announced that complete state program recommendations must be made at the next regular board meeting Nov. 2.

Mrs. Davis asked what the policy of the league should be on continuing attendance at units of non-members. The proposed policy sheet for the local league should answer this problem.

Mrs. Willette announced there had been a request for a speaker for a Home demonstration group on Jury Service.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 28, 1955
at the Plaza Hotel at 12 noon.

The president, Mrs. Ashford, called the meeting to order. Because of the many new members and guest present, she asked each member to rise and introduce herself and any guests she might have. The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved. The treasurer presented a cash report showing a balance of \$2,663.64.

Miss Otela Kelley reported on the finance campaign and the standings of the teams. Mrs. Sexauer's team led in the amount received from new contributors, Mrs. Holden's in gifts from previous contributors. Mrs. Passmore's team led in total collections, with Mrs. Holden's a close second.

Mrs. Ashford announced that there would be an orientation meeting at the home of Mrs. Willette on Oct. 13 and that the October general meeting would be devoted to the United Nations and would be held jointly with the Women's Alliance of the First Unitarian Church on October 12 at the church.

Mrs. Attneave, chairman of the Local Item on support of Council-Manager government, was called upon to introduce the speaker, City Manager Steve Matthews.

Mr. Matthews paid tribute to the work of the League as he knew it in Lubbock. He commended the Lubbock LMV for its services in getting out the vote and providing candidate information, commenting that though a city manager is outside politics he has a right to ask for the election of good, honest, stable councilmen. He spoke of the usefulness of the Lubbock LMV in disseminating to the public information provided by the city administrative service on the structure and operations of the city government.

After listing San Antonio's civic assets, Mr. Matthews proceeded to discuss what basic services needed improvement. From currently available funds improvements are being made in garbage collections, street cleaning, minor drainage, minor park work. By improving garbage collections and traffic flow he hoped to eliminate two prime sources of public complaint and irritation.

Mr. Matthews said that much study is being devoted to improving police and fire services. By releasing police officers from details that could be as well performed by means other than the use of policemen's time the administration hoped to better such essential police functions as answering emergency calls. He said that at present San Antonio has the lowest ratio of police to population of any city in Texas; that by January 1 he hopes to raise the force to 450 and that the next budget will provide for the minimum ratio of one policeman to every thousand of the population, a force of 500.

Mr. Matthews then told of progress made in contracting with various agencies for expressway and street lighting, sprinkler systems to keep the expressways green, underpass construction and clearance of expressway right of way, as well as his plans to rehabilitate a number of heavily traveled streets out of this year's cash budget.

Mr. Matthews stated that sound budget making allows 25% for capital improvements, a more economical system than issuing bonds for all such improvements. He told of his plans to reorganize the park department specifically, to reorganize purchasing, and of the current in-service courses being given for city workers.

Discussing his efforts to raise the city's credit from BAA to A, Mr. Matthews pointed out that it would mean a saving to the city of \$526,000 on a 20-year, \$20 million bond issue. He remarked on the paradox that a city which, like San Antonio, chronically underspent on capital improvements enjoyed no benefit thereby in the form of a good credit rating; that underwriters preferred one which was

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indebted for about 7% of its assessed valuations, instead of San Antonio's 3%.

The speaker expressed his faith in a policy of full and frank public information. He remarked that the local press gave municipal affairs more, and more prominent space than he had seen in any other city of comparable size. He likewise paid tribute to the Planning and Research Council. To insure success of the bond issue he advocated a strong campaign of public information with many citizen committees assisting.

He urged adoption of new building and electrical codes, and a comprehensive policy on paving and zoning. He urged the need for smooth coordination with other governmental agencies, since traffic, school, health, water and drainage problems are not limited by the city's boundary lines. The metropolitan area should be a cooperative community, but the city must earn the cooperation of bedroom suburbs. Summing up, he said his program was based on sound public relations with full public information to secure citizen participation for progress through unity of thought and purpose.

After a brief question period, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, September 21, 1:30 pm
at the home of Mrs. John Benham

Present were Meses. Ashford, Benham, Davis, Fowler, Holden, Ray, Wentworth, West, von Phul
and Miss Kelley. Mrs. Passmore attended as a visitor.

The minutes of the August 10 board meeting were read and approved without correction. Mrs.
Holden read the treasurer's report which was accepted and filed for audit.

The president asked for suggestions as to nonboard members to serve on the budget committee.
Mrs. Passmore suggested Mrs. Edwin Hill. Mrs. Ashford stated that she was appointing Mrs.
Wentworth to the committee because of her special qualification as a member of the State
budget committee.

Miss Kelley reported on the status of the finance campaign, with a total of \$1122 in non-
member contributions to date. She asked that the campaign be completed speedily. She also
reported that many old contributors were cutting down their contributions this year. Mrs.
Passmore reported a request from one business contributor that the League alert prospects
earlier so that contributions might be provided for in firms' budgets. Mrs. Ashford read
a sample of the personalized letters of thanks to contributors that Miss Kelley has pre-
pared for the signature of the president and the finance chairman.

Mrs. West reported plans to hold a Freedom Agenda panel in November before the Jewish
Guild and the prospect of giving a Freedom Agenda program at the February meeting of the
Military-Civilian Club. She said that publicity had been promised in the forthcoming
bulletin of the City PATA Council for Freedom Agenda. Mrs. Ashford announced that the
booklet on the Fourteenth Amendment is promised for November, and that a 5¢ vestpocket
publication, "Men Come to America to be Free," is now available. She mentioned also the
publication of "Cases for Freedom Agenda Discussion" and the Report of the Fund for the
Republic. It was agreed that board members, in addition to being thoroughly familiar with
the contents of the Freedom Agenda publications should also build up a clipping file
useful for possible rebuttals in view of the attacks against the Fund for the Republic.

Mrs. Ashford announced that the October general membership meeting would be held on the
12th at the First Unitarian Church in cooperation with the Women's Alliance of the church.
UN slides and movies will be shown. Mrs. Passmore reported on plans of the citywide
committee for UN month of which she is a member: an evening meeting Oct. 18 at San Pedro
Playhouse and a luncheon at the Gunter Oct. 24 at which Dr. Walter van Kirk will be the
speaker. Mrs. Ashford also called attention to the International Relations course which
St. Mary's adult education department is offering again this year. She announced that
in the absence from town of Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Vexler would brief on ~~Box~~ UN and Mrs. Morsh
on Trade.

In Mrs. Martin's absence, Mrs. Ashford announced the availability of new LWV publications:
"Texas Constitutional Review" and "Texas Poll Tax" from State, and "Quote" from National.

Plans for the forthcoming membership meeting September 28 were discussed, with special
reference to the title and content of City Manager Matthews' speech. A suggestion was
made that in a letter to Mr. Matthews confirming arrangements he might be warned to gear
his talk to the League's relative sophistication in matters of city government and speak
on his plans for the solution of San Antonio's problems.

Mrs. Willette and Mrs. Ashford reported on LWV participation in the Constitution Day pro-
gram of the DAR. Cooperation had been intended by the League to include ~~only~~ the
distribution to League members of invitations to the event. It was discovered, however,

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that the League's name had been used without permission in a list of sponsoring or cooperating organizations. In the circumstances, after consulting various board members, Mrs. Ashford asked for time on the program. Accordingly, after the introduction of various organization presidents who were on the platform at the meeting, Mrs. Ashford was given time for a brief talk which was well received. Mrs. Willette reported that she and Mrs. Ray had addressed and sent to our membership list the invitations at a cost of \$5.40 in postage and moved that the treasurer be authorized to reimburse them. The motion was seconded and carried.

were adopted

Mrs. Benham asked what the League's action would be if a proposal to add to a possible Flood District Bond election ballot a proposition authorizing the Commissioners Court to establish a County Board of Development. Discussion brought out a consensus that if such a county proposal went on the ballot, the League would be obliged to issue a Voters Service pro-and-con tool, but that it might be necessary to prepare such a tool before the next board meeting. Mrs. von Phil moved that if the election were called and the proposition included, the League should publish the pros and cons. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Ashford appointed Meses. Benham, Holden, Willette and von Phil as a committee to prepare the publication if the occasion arose, and stated that she would ask Mrs. Steinberg to serve as an off-board member.

Mrs. Ashford asked for suggestions as to a suitable chairman for the local program committee. Consensus favored asking Mrs. Wackor to accept the appointment. Mrs. Fowler, citing the workload, spoke against a suggestion that unit leaders serve on the committee, but it was agreed that each unit should be represented on the committee. Mrs. Ashford read Mrs. Towell's letter offering assistance in selecting local program items and citing the great value to the League's community relations of a well-selected local program.

Mrs. Wentworth announced that KONO hereafter will have only one controversial panel each month, leaving the other three Sunday spots available for informational programs. It was agreed that the League should definitely seek to secure time for at least one program on Constitutional Revision to publicize the workshops. In the interim we would make a League speaker available for an earlier program, perhaps with representatives of other local groups like the Taxpayers League, the Chamber of Commerce, etc., to explain our work, policies and value to the community. This would be undertaken in the near future to help public relations during the remainder of the finance campaign.

Mrs. Davis asked for suggestions as to places where the workshops might be held, since it proved impossible to secure either the Jewish Community Center or the Express Auditorium for the nights of Nov. 1 and 15, and Dec. 13. Mrs. Willette moved that the board authorize Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Davis to select the location. There was discussion as to the speakers tentatively selected for various sections of the workshop. Mrs. von Phil advocated, in the interest of securing maximum publicity and attendance, that at least one outside speaker be secured for each of the two first workshops, instead of only for the third as suggested in the outline. There was general agreement that Mr. M. M. Harris and Mr. Horner would probably be good selections to speak on "What is a Constitution," and that if they spoke it would at least assure good press coverage. Also discussed for a place on the third program was Mr. John Castleberry, Associate Dean of St. Mary's University Law School and a former assistant State Attorney General.

Mrs. Ray announced that at 10 am Oct. 13 an informal orientation meeting would be held at Mrs. Willette's house.

The meeting adjourned at 4 pm.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
August 10, 1955 at the home of Mrs. Earl Wentworth.

The minutes of the last board meeting were read and corrected.
The treasurers report was read and filed for audit.
Mrs. Ashford reported that the League will now have a telephone
listing in the new directory at a total cost of \$12.52 a month
which is the amount over the cost of her regular telephone bill.

Mrs. Wentworth has been appointed to the State Budget Committee
by the State President, Mrs. Richards.

Mrs. Wentworth spoke to the Credit Women's Ass. on Citizen Re-
sponsibility in Government.

The workshop for Unit leaders was held as announced and Mrs.
Fowler said Mrs. Keegan is going to lead a night group at Lackland
and Joy Barrera is taking Dorothy Humphreies group until she re-
turns. It was suggested that copies of the local league calendar
should be made available to all members of units if the stencils
are still available.

Mrs. Ashford presented the problem of a general meeting in September.
Elsie Sexauer made a motion seconded by Mrs. Attneave that we invite
the City Manager, Steve Matthews to speak to the general membership
on Sept. 21. Motion passed.

Mrs. Attneave reported that the City Manager's plan of revision
of the City Budget would reflect his philosophy of government and
city management and that it was difficult for a new manager to
come in and take over under a tight budget plan.

Mrs. Louis West reported in progress of her committee on National
Item II. A detailed report is attached. She asked that some of
the Board members be alerted to serve as members of her Freedom
Agenda speakers bureau. Also would like to have contacts with
organizations interested in this program. Mrs. Orville N. Foreman,
National Chairman of Item II will be a guest speaker at the State
Convention in San Antonio in April.

Item I of National Program is to be the program for October as
set up by Myra Scott before she left for her vacation. It will
be held at the Unitarian Church in the evening of October 12.

It was announced that the National Convention will be held at the
Sherman Hotel in Chicago April 30-May 4, 1956.

Marian Davis reported that St. Mary's University felt that their
State Government course pretty well covers the problems of the
Know Your State Survey. Plans for the KYS Workshop were discussed.
Margaret Wenworth will preside.

Committee on Local Continuing Responsibilities was appointed as
follows: Georgia Smith, Myra Scott and another to be selected.

Local Policy sheet committee are as follows, Virginia Willette,
Dolores Conroy and Ruth Von Phul.

A letter written by Mrs. Ashford to the City Manager, Steve Matthews,
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welcoming him to San Antonio and bringing him up to date on our work for Council Manager Government in San Antonio. Also a letter to Mayor Kuykendall commending the Council on hiring a professionally trained City Manager.

Mrs. Attneave discussed the duties and use of observers in governmental bodies. It was suggested that the units visit as observers and recruit volunteers through the units. It was felt that it is important to keep observers at the the Council meetings as it tends to temper the Council discussions and remind the Council of their responsibilities to the people.

Virginia Benham suggested that if it is at all possible there should be observers at the County Commissioners weekly meetings.

The most important duty of the observer is to report to her chairman in writing the results of her observation and a copy made for the president. Any pertinent facts of interest to the general membership can then be reported through the bulletin.

A very fine letter to the Editor of the Express and News on County problems and their relation to the State was written by Ruth Von Phul and published in the Reader's Column of the Evening News.

Otela Kelly, finance chairman reported that she needed help with captains and recruiting helpers.

The new membership committee questionnaire was circulated and presented for discussion and each board member was asked to fill out and mail her copy back to Dorothy Ray with comments.

The State Convention will be held at the Plaza Hotel March 27-28-29

Meeting adjourned,

Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Clayton Scott, June 15, 1955:

Présent were Mesdames Martin, Scott, Ray, Davis, Attneave, VonPhul, Willette, Holden, Fowler, West, Ashford, Allensworth, Benham and Miss Kelly. Also meeting chairman Louise Fountain.

Minutes of the last board meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the audit was made and the monthly report was filed for audit.

A typewriter table needed by the president costing \$10.95 was approved. Motion made by Von Phul and seconded by Willette. Passed.

Ashford reported on the recent International Relations Institute sponsored by the Quakers. Mrs. West and Ashford and Steinberg served on the faculty. Georgia Smith's unit acted as hostesses on one night. Mrs. Von Phul had Mrs. as her house guest.

The next order of business was the discussion and preparation of the years calendar of work. Committee chairmen discussed their preferences and the final calendar was left in the hands of the president to complete.

Miss Kelly made a motion and Mrs. Scott seconded that the president appoint a committee to set up a local policy sheet. Motion passed.

A committee to consider Continuing Responsibilities on the local level was suggested. Motion made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Willette that such a committee be appointed by the president was passed.

Mrs. Ashford asked the nominating committee be requested to suggest possibilities on the selection of a Bulletin Editor and also a chairman on the portfolio of trade.

Mrs Ashford asked Mrs. Passmore, Fouhtain, Saxauer to inspect the hotel facilities available for the State Convention next April.

Mrs. Davis reported that Mrs. Von Phul went with her to see Brother Schnepf at St. Mary's University to discuss the possibilities of using the KNYS Workshop material in a course at the University. The tuition on a 3 hr. course is very high and it is doubtful that it would have the necessary appeal. She also announced that she had selected a committee to work with her on the fall workshop plans. It is hoped that these 3 workshops can take place of the regular unit meetings.

The pros and cons of the proposed hospital district plan to be voted on the last of June were discussed by Mrs. Von Phul. Mrs. Passmore reported on her study of the facts of the proposed Bexar Co. district. In order that the will of the entire league be felt it was decided that a called meeting to discuss the interpretation of Item I of our local agenda and how it pertains to this much needed governmental revision be held, as soon as possible. Mrs. Fountain reported after a phone call that Joske's auditorium would be available on June 22 at 10:00 A.M. Motion was made by Mrs. Willette seconded by Miss Kelly that such a meeting be called for that time. Motion passed.

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Mrs. Attneave, Council Manager Chairman asked that the board consider the problem of observers, what their duties were, their value, and how often governmental bodies should be observed and to whom the reports should be made. This matter will be discussed at a later board meeting.

Miss Kelley, Finance chairman announced that the first meeting of the fall campaign will be September 7, and Sept 12 will be the Kickoff with Sept 22 final deadline.

Mrs. Scott, chairman of National Item # 1 presented the plans being tentatively discussed for the 19th Anniversary of the United Nations. She said a meeting of various organizations was set for June 22 at the public library to discuss the formation of a community United Nations committee. Mrs. Holden made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Benham that \$10.00 be allowed in assisting with the organization of the committee if needed. Motion passed. Mrs. Scott also reported the reciprocal trade bill was in a very hopeful position and would probably pass for a three year period.

Mrs. West reported that the Freedom Agenda initiating committee was about completed. Two prospects are still not contacted. She said a new pamphlet in the series on the 14th amendment would appear early in the fall. She also suggested that the units have their programs on this subject early in the spring.

Mrs. Fowler, unit leader chairman said that unit #5 is being organized in the Highlads area. She expects to conduct a leaders workshop in August.

Mrs. Willette announced that in the Wbers Service area there was the possibility of a school for jurors to be held possibly at the courthouse with prominent lawyers putting on a mock trial and emphasis on how jurors should act.

Meeting adjourned.

Eloise Allensworth, Secretary

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the Y.W.C.A., May 12, 1955 at 1:00 P.M.

Mrs. Ashford the president presided. She introduced the special guests at the head table including Mrs. Cook, Mother of our guest speaker Mrs W. Horton Smith, and Mrs. Jack Story, finance chairman for the state. Also Mrs. Wentworth, Mrs. Ben Wacker, former state board member, Mrs. Marie Holden, Miss Otela Kelley.

Minutes of the March Annual meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Holden, treasurer announced the books were being audited. She welcomed any new members interested in paying dues after the meeting.

Mrs. Ashford introduced Mrs. Story, State finance chairman who spoke on the necessity of a finance drive in the league. She said it was the responsibility of entire membership. It is one of our greatest public relations tool. The League is in no way connected with charity; the League gives value for every dollar received.

Mrs. Ben Wacker introduced Mrs. W. Horton Smith, State chairman of the Know Your State Survey. She spoke on "Does The League Make Texas History?" She said the League is open to any woman citizen of the U.S. but the qualifying factor in the need for an inquiring mind, there is no place in the League of the static mind. She said we must take the long view of our League purpose. It took 13 years to achieve a secret ballot for Texas. She said it takes great patience to idle your motor when you feel like stripping your gears. We now have a toe in the door since for 3 years 35 leagues have been studying state government and produced a 11 section survey on the State Constitution. We are now ready to set up 3 workshops on Texas Constitutional Review sometime in November or December of 1955.

Miss Kelley, local finance chairman announced there would be a training session for finance workers May 31 at Florence Passmore's at 10 A.M.

Mrs. Ashford announce the World Trade Association banquet to be held at the end of the Institute on Foreign Trade ~~xxxxxx~~. Members of the League have been invited.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Wm. Von Phul, Wed. May 11, 1955

Present were : Mesdames Von Phul, Holden, Martin, Davis, Wenworth, Fowler, Attneave, Scott, Ray, Ashford, Allensworth and Miss Kelley. Also the following visitors: Mesdames Tomme Call, Dorothy Humphreys, Mary Smith, Florence Passmore, Fay Sinkin, and Harriet Smith and John Bell.

Mrs. Ashford opened the meeting and introduced our two special guests, Mrs. Horton Wayne Smith and Mrs. ~~Stoby~~ of the State Board.

Minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

TREASURERS REPORT: Mrs. Holden asked all board members to please list how materials they use should be allocated. Publications should be listed as ~~either~~ for league use, public distribution or community action. The financial report is attached for audit.

Mrs. Ashford then introduced Mrs. Smith who conducted the board orientation discussion which follows:

She said our major goal was to try to see ourselves as a local league board, keeping two things in mind, namely 1. the purpose of the league and 2. the member. Why are we organized? To promote better citizenship, not reform the world! The role of the member should be considered in how will she respond? what will get this to the member, for her, with her?

She recommended setting up a local policy sheet, particularly on non-partisanship. This eliminates personality involvement when the issue is eventually raised. This should also include policy of cooperation with other community organizations.

Local bulletins are general board responsibility.

All Board members must have notebooks , local leaders handbook and should bring to every board meeting, and every committee meeting. They should contain all tools...and must be read!

Mailing service should go to all board members also resource materials.

Board Integration included the following points:

1. Responsibility to own portfolio~~on~~
 - a. learn how to set up and make use of a committee.
 - b. plan as much as possible the total years work on the item
2. Responsibility to whole board.
 - a. attendance at all meetings
 - b. stay through all meetings.
3. Responsibility to develop understanding of whole board work.
 - a. there is close relationship of all portfolios, you cannot do whole job of your own portfolio by yourself.

Individual portfolios were then discussed, including president, Secretary, Treasurer, and vicepresidents.

Membership Chairman report was made by Dorothy Ray. She announced

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the following committee members: Mary Smith, Sadie Raidt, Helen Quayle, and Jean Watenburg. She reported there was a good prospect of a new unit being formed on the south side and that there were 8 or 10 new members coming to the luncheon tomorrow. The new membership list should be available in June. She suggested that orientation could best be carried out using the Calor, do plan for 5 minutes at each unit meeting. Better use of the placement file was suggested by Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Ray made a motion that Mrs. Fowler, Von Phul and Ray be appointed to a placement committee for using the file. Motion passed.

Unit Chairman report was made by Mrs. Fowler. The problem of briefing was discussed and the point was made that controversial points should be discussed and the leaders alerted to these. Also it was brought out that unit meetings must not revert to lecture sessions. They are the best device for orienting and integrating members into league work. The close cooperation between resource chairman, publications chairman and unit chairman was emphasized.

Meeting recessed for lunch.

Finance chairman, Miss Kelley made her preliminary report and said that Mrs. Ashford, Mrs. Story and she had met the day before to set up the plans for the fall campaign.

Mrs. Ashford then introduced Mrs. Story, state finance chairman who discussed the necessity and problems in conducting a successful campaign. She emphasized the fact that the finance campaign is the responsibility of both the board and the membership. The following chairman should be considered: record, materials, finance kit, non-member and member contributions, (the treasurer being the logical member contributions chairman). Training sessions should be held during the summer for information, inspiration, self confidence, use of tools and techniques. She suggested for a good job there should be 6 or 8 captains. All one really needs to know is "League" when one goes to solicit.

Resource chairman of National Item # 1, Myra Scott reported that calls for action had been supported by other community groups. Senator Lyndon Johnson had answered both the official letter and personal letter. Mrs. Scott also reported that the World Trade Association will conduct a technical institute. The League has been invited to have representatives at the final banquet which takes place May 19 and is open to the public.

National Item #2 on Freedom Agenda was discussed by Florence Passmore in the absence of Kay West the chairman.

Know your State report by Mrs. Davis said that the survey should be completed in the units this month. A committee composed of Mesdames Davis, Von Phul, Willette, Wentworth and Wacker are consulting with St. Mary's University on the possibility of a course based on the Know Your State Survey to be conducted sometime during the next year.

Motion was made ^{by Davis} that the committee be authorized to discuss the proposed course with Brother Schnepf. Seconded by Holden and passed.

Then there was some discussion as the the workshop proposed for League members on the KYS study to be held next fall.

Mrs. Wentworth, State Election Laws chairman reported that H.B. 78 on Jury Service for Women had been placed on the Senate Calendar and was in conference committee at the last report.

Mrs. Attneave was introduced as the new Local Council Manager Chairman. Mrs. Allensworth reported on the progress being made concerning the Charter provisions regarding the Travis Park and Main Plaza parking garage agreements.

Mrs. Smith reminded the league that there was danger in over-balancing the program on the local level and letting it take precedence over all other phases of league program.

Mrs. Smith then discussed the Resource Chairman portfolio. She suggested that there be a committee member in each unit to work with the chairman. She should keep up to date in her field and in close touch with the state chairman of the item. She suggested that all new publications on the specific program item should be reviewed for the bulletin using short exciting blurbs, similar to book jacket blurbs. Best techniques for presentation of material are in "Small Talk in Texas" and "Let's have a Discussion". It is important to remember that program material should illuminate League position, review League position both for orientation and better understanding of the item. Unit discussions do not make experts, but stimulate interest and frequently develop latent leaders. From time to time prepare brief summary of program item for finance campaign, orientation committee and bulletin. Plan a chain of command for Calls For Action to get immediate action perhaps a telephone set-up with each committee member to call certain key individuals.

Voters Service chairman, Mrs. Willette reported that the last meeting of the citizen responsibility class at St. Mary's University was cancelled because there was an apparent lack of interest in basic governmental philosophy.

The Next regular board meeting is scheduled to be held June 8, 1955 at 1:30 P.M. at the home of Myra Acott.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
March 13, 1957. The Bright Shawl

Approximately 25 members were present for the dinner, and another 20 to 25 came after dinner for the business meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Ashford.

Minutes of the last membership meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was presented and filed.

A mimeographed report of the year's activities of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was presented. (A copy is attached.)

Mrs. Ashford introduced members of the board, unit leaders and past presidents of the San Antonio League who were present.

Mrs. Davis reported on the progress of the two Legal Status of Women bills in the State Legislature. Both have already been passed by the House and Senator Gonzalez has assured the League that he will support both measures.

Two entertaining and informative skits about Legal Status of Women were presented by the Lackland Units.

Mrs. Davis spoke about pending legislation regarding State Constitutional Revision and exemption certificates for those exempt from payment of poll tax and alerted members to write their representatives.

Mrs. Ashford called attention to the President's Council which will meet in Austin March 27 and 28. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Rufus D. Bell will attend as San Antonio's official delegates. Any League member may attend as an observer.

Mrs. Will Sexauer, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate: President: Mrs. Rufus D. Bell; First Vice-President, Mrs. Ross Irwin; Secretary, Mrs. Boyd Ladd; Directors for two year terms: Mrs. Francis M. Koch, Mrs. Robert Rosenthal, Mrs. Robert Weiner; Nominating Committee for 1957-58: Mrs. B. H. Passmore, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Hausman, Mrs. Keith Rodgers.

The secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for all nominees.

Mrs. Holden presented the proposed local program. First, the Current Agenda: 1. Completion of the Know Your City Survey with a view to preparation of a handbook; and 2. A study of whether the allocation and use of county revenues best serve the public interest.

A skit, "Where Does Our Money Go?" was presented by Mesdames Castleberry, Davis, Johnston, Marr and Solomon.

Mrs. Holden moved adoption of the program item, Completion of the Know Your City Survey. Seconded by Mrs. Scott and passed.

Mrs. Holden moved adoption of the second item on the proposed local current agenda. Seconded by Mrs. Wentworth. There was some discussion regarding whether this is the best possible wording for this item. The feeling was that this is a dignified League-like wording which is as good as any, but it was suggested that a short slogan can be adopted to popularize the study. The motion was passed as moved and seconded.

Mrs. Holden moved the adoption of local continuing responsibilities 1 & 2. Seconded by Miss Kelley and passed. Mrs. Willette, chairman of the Budget Committee presented the proposed budget. She explained that a \$25 advance to the president out of the president's account has been recommended by the budget committee in order to urge the president to use her allowance.

Mrs. Sinkin suggested that since the San Antonio League has considerable reserve funds that it might be advisable to put part of this reserve in a savings account where it would draw interest. Mrs. Passmore pointed out that prior to each year's finance drive a cushion of cash is needed to meet expenses until the cash contributions come in.

Mrs. Willette moved that the budget be adopted as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Georgia Smith.

Mrs. Robert Smith proposed that the budget be amended as follows: That the telephone item be increased from \$160 to \$240 and that anticipated income from non-member contributors be increased from \$2510 to \$2590, balancing the total budget at \$3865. This was seconded by Mrs. Rosenthal. This amendment was carried.

Mrs. Sinkin suggested that the budget be amended by increasing yearly dues to \$5.00 per year. It was pointed out that a change in dues can be made only by an amendment to the By-Laws.

The budget was adopted as amended.

Mrs. Sinkin then moved that the 1957 annual meeting recommend to a By-Laws Committee that yearly dues be increased from \$3.50 to \$5.00. Seconded by Mrs. Ward and carried.

Newly elected officers and directors were introduced.

Mrs. Ashford turned the meeting over to the newly elected president, Mrs. Rufus D. Bell, who announced that there will be a regular board meeting on April 10 at the home of Mrs. Boyd Ladd.

Mrs. Scott moved that the San Antonio League give a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Ashford. Carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Wegner
Secretary, Pro-tem. (Boyd Ladd)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Myra Scott at 9:30 A.M. Feb. 13, 1957.

Present were Mesdames Johnston, Solomon, Weiner, Barstis, Koch, Von Phul, Davis, Smith, Irwin, Holden, Ashford and Allensworth. Visitors were Ladd, Otela Kelley, Scott and Rufus Bell.

Minutes of the last board meeting were read and approved. In the absence of the treasurer there was no finance report.

Voters Service chairman, Virginia Irwin as about quantity of Voters guides on the State election we would need. Marian Davis moved we purchase 3000. Irwin seconded and passed. She also asked what the league should do about the coming city election. She suggested TV or live candidates meetings. It was decided that Virginia Irwin with Maggie Lang, Ellen Lang and Leah Johnston investigate the possibilities. Ruth Von Phul to assist if she is back in the city.

Jane Weiner reported on the bulletin. She asked that anyone not receiving the bulletin please let her know.

Marie Holden, units chairman told the board the March 6 unit meetings will be "The League Looks at Itself" covering questions that came out of Mrs. Lee's visit, membership, how we best use publications, how we finance ourselves, how can we get our people to work, how program is developed, league policies and procedures etc. Board members are to be asked to attend various units, not their regular ones. At second unit meeting in March Nat. C.R. 6-9 will be discussed also Nat. U.S. Budget, how it goes through Congress. April units will be devoted to Water Conservation. Hazel Koch has offered her home for an informal coffee for new members. Board approved.

Marian Davis reported writing some legislative letters. TCR resolution has been introduced in the State Senate. Hazel Koch reported that Legal Status of women bills are in a favorable position in the House. "We Do" is in big demand.

Ruth Von Phul reported that Maggie Land did what she could to get the Ed Murrow Kinescope copy to run on public service time to be shown on Mrs. Lee.

The "Mop Up" finance campaign plan has been evolved, each person willing to help will give one day--catch as many people as possible on that day and turn in card at the end of the day.

President's Council will be held in Austin March 27-28. Hazel Koch moved that Mrs. Rufus Bell, president elect, go and Marian Davis as second delegate, with Leah Johnston and Florence Passmore as alternates.

Gladys Barstis announced that tips on carrying out program supplement are here for those that want them.

Merle Solomon said she was planning to order a film strip on Foreign Policy and see whether she would want to order others. Virginia Irwin was asked to check into cost of projectors for 35mm. film strips.

The annual meeting is to be held at the Bright Shawl, March 13, 6:15 at \$2.25 a plate. The business meeting will be held at 7:30. Individual annual reports are to be mimeographed. Skits are to be prepared by a program committee consisting of Marian Davis, Merle Solomon, Leah Johnston and Ruth Von Phul.

The proposed local agenda item on the County budget is to read "A study of whether the allocation of County revenues best serve the public interest."

Leah Johnston told of the National Resources Conference to be held at Trinity University. Ruth Von Phul moved that we buy a membership to attend these conferences. Leah Johnston was asked to coordinate the attendance of the members to the various conferences.

There was some discussion of Mrs. Lee's visit, particularly in the field of training leaders, elementary units for new members. Dot Jorrie has offered her home for such a group.

Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Mrs. Wm. Von Phul, 9:30 A.M. January 30, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames Von Phul, Ashford, Mary Smith, Norma Call, Barstis, Holden, Koch, Johnston, Davis, Weiner, Mary Bell, Deland Smith, Irwin, and Allensworth. Visitors were Mrs. Rufus Bell, Willette, Sexauer, Rosenthal, and Miss Otela Kelley.

Minutes of the last board meeting were read and corrected. A letter was read from Mrs. Percy Maxim Lee thanking the local league for all the courtesies extended to her. It was moved that a very special thanks be extended to the Lackland, Night, Midtown and San Pedro groups for their wonderful assistance in making Mrs. Lee's visit such a success, also our deepest thanks to Florence Passmore for her invaluable assistance and loan of her home.

The nominating committee presented the following nominees for officers and directors for membership vote at the annual meeting: President, Mrs. Rufus D. Bell, 1st Vice pres. Mrs. Ross Irwin, Secretary, Mrs. Boyd Ladd. Directors, Mrs. F. M. Koch, Mrs. Robt. Weiner, and Mrs. Robt. Rosenthal. For the new nominating committee, Mrs. B. H. Passmore, chairman, Mrs. Keith K. Rodgers, and Mrs. Robt. Hausman. Elsie Sexauer submitted the report, other members of the nominating committee are Marie Holden, Otela Kelley, Mary Smith and Margaret Wentworth. The board expressed their grateful thanks for the splendid roster of candidates, and the tremendous amount of work involved in developing the slate. Leah Johnston moved the committee report be accepted, Mrs. Weiner seconded, motion passed.

Mrs. Ashford asked the board what should be done about a "mop up" finance drive. She posed the question as to whether we should end the drive, also if we should change the dates of the drive to the spring. Mrs. Koch made a motion that we have a mop up campaign, seconded by Marian Davis and passed.

Virginia Willette presented the proposed budget for 1957. Mrs. Von Phul moved the adoption, Holden seconded and motion passed that the budget be presented to the membership at the general meeting in March.

Mrs. Koch reported on the proposed legislation on the Legal Status of Women.

Marie Holden, Unit Chairman, reported a total of 92 members attended unit meetings in Dec and Jan meetings and 5 visitors. The need for a training meeting for unit leaders is immediate since there several new leaders. She also discussed the local program items the various units indicated concern for. After much discussion by the board, Marie Holden made a motion that we continue the Know Your City Survey and have an item on County Budget, the wording of such an item to be developed by committee consisting of Marie Holden, Ruth Von Phul, and Jane Weiner. Motion was seconded by Mary Smith and passed. It was decided the continuing responsibilities should remain the same.

The Annual meeting was set for March 13 at night to accommodate the night members. Virginia Willette to work with Carol Ashford on details.

Norma Call reported she had extra reprints of the ~~series~~ appearing in the Evening News on San Antonio written by Tomme Call.

Mary Bell made a motion, seconded by Mary Smith that Mrs. Francis Koch be appointed to take over the portfolio on State Continuing responsibilities since Mrs. Conroy has moved from the city. Motion passed.

Marie Holden reported for Merle Solomon on Natl. C. R. 1-5. She asked the board if it would be possible to purchase the N.Y. Times portfolio of film strips for \$3.00. Board oked purchase.

Marian Davis told the board that her committee was following through on all suggestions on Constitutional Revision activity. She asked if we should send out additional copies of Texas Voter containing information on Constitutional Revision. The board approved.

Norma Call told of plans to show the film from Living Water Series on April 3 in the Express Auditorium. The film takes 32min. and then possibly having Mr. Thompson for the City Water Board speak on the local problems. This meeting would take the place of the first unit meeting in April and would shown twice, during the day and evening. A public invitation would be issued and publicized through the papers and KENS TV.

Leah Johnston told the board that on March 18-March 29 there will be a Natural Resources Conference at Trinity University in the New Music Hall. The lectures will be held for 2hrs in the morning and 2 hrs. in the afternoon. The charge will be \$15.00 per person for 10 days study.

Meeting adjourned.

Board Meeting San Antonio League of Women Voters
held at the home of Mrs. B. H. Passmore,
January 23, 1957, 8:00 P.M.
Mrs. John G. Lee ~~presiding~~ *guest*

Present: Mmes. Lee, Smith of Austin, Ashford, Irwin, Smith, Call, Ladd, Holden, Solomon, Johnston, Davis, Sinkin, Barstis, Koch, Bell, Weiner, von Phul, Georgia Smith, Passmore, Sexauer and Miss Kelley. Mrs. Arnold ~~of Tyler~~ and Mrs. Hill of Austin.

Program

Skip first step on programming at the local level.

How are you going to make your members more responsible?

How many worthy items could be studied locally without going thru state?

What is the base from which the units embark on program making?

Does membership participate in the preparation of "Know Your City Survey"? Yes.

What is purpose of doing a "Know Your City Survey"? The purpose is to find the area for action program.

An action item is citizen action from beginning to end and coming to a conclusion.

Has any new action been taken? Out of a city survey it is hoped to pinpoint some item for action.

Publication of City Survey. The membership was very much for this as a great many people are new to San Antonio and to the League.

Idea of League Day is wonderful.

Board meetings last $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

National Board meetings are held twice a year lasting five days each time.

If you had a League Day is it impossible to conceive that you have a pre-committee Board meeting? Chairman meet with Board and submit requirements if passed. Committees should create before Board meeting. We have Board briefing by telephone. In advance of Board meeting send out a fairly detailed report of what will be reported on. Oral reporting is wrong. Fairly conscientious Board members will read reports before hand.

Another asset: In the Board briefing there will be one chart on which you put down all the questions the Board can answer.

Committees come with recommendations to be presented to Board. When presented to the Board the Board can act quickly in making decisions. Saves time.

Local committees report to vice presidents who bring choices and alternatives to board meetings.

Do you have an office? Running a city league is a business. People have to budget their time and many people can allocate certain days to give to League work. It makes the League a more businesslike organization. The housewives adapt themselves to running the League. Leagues with offices build up better community relations. Adds prestige. A great many leagues have established a baby-sitting service. Members pay 25¢ a hour for a professional baby-sitter. Publications will be more available from an office. A great way of utilizing short-time help. Both Dallas and Houston have an office manager. The amount of service when you are doing voters service is much greater with an office.

Q. Cookie Smith: How much have you used our State standing order? Has it helped you to understand the total job? Do you read the reports from the other chairman? About May or June, or perhaps next September, will ask for recommendations about it.

How extensively do other Leagues purchase publications for League members? More and more board members are getting materials. It looks as though a diminishing number of members are getting materials. Program material and leadership tools are sold. The leadership of the league is buying more material.

Q. Carol Ashford: In some instances does the local league pay for material for leaders? Every board member should take publications direct.

Our Budget Committee found that apparently we are paying for more material for leaders than in previous years. Publications are brought in and distributed to Board members without payment.

Mrs. Lee: Leagues like direct mail service. Then you do not have to re-mail or distribute the mail. Board members receive material in advance of board meetings. Direct mailing is apparently fairly appealing and everyone likes it. \$5.00 special subscription service includes all material sent to president.

Dropping Continuing Responsibilities.

The new members who come in and have no program background to begin on. I think that because we say we have "Continuing Responsibilities" we tend to think the new member has "Continuing Responsibilities". One of the advantages of having program is that we would all feel

we are making a fresh start and give the new member a history of program. It would be a help to the new fresh green member who feels you are talking beyond and over her head. We have talked about giving background to people who want it. Send the board around to units so every unit can see and have a board member at the unit. That board member can give a little background and explain her duties on the board. Sometimes in big leagues a new member has to be a member six or ~~nine~~ eight months before being assigned to a particular unit. Keep new members separate for a good many meetings. Program record is helping new members understand. Keep new members in an elementary unit for new members. Give them a comprehensive record of what League is about. Use little yellow book - "History of Program". If you start them off at the elementary level you will have a member that will stick.

Coffee and cookies served and a pleasant social hour followed.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF San ANTONIO
December 12, 1956 at the home of Mrs. Ed Conroy.

Present were Mmes. Ashford, Barstis, Call, Conroy, Davis, Holden, Irwin, Johnston, Robt. Smith, von Phul, Mmes. Koch, Passmore and Sexauer attended as visitors.

Mrs. Ashford called the meeting to order. The minutes were read and approved. Mrs. Conroy gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Barstis reported a new publication "Tips on Carrying Out Program", which was distributed.

Mrs. Ashford reported on the Austin conference "Remember the Members". Attending were Mmes. Ashford, Arnold, Barstis, Carr, Holden, Rogers, Robt. Smith, Vauter, von Phul and Willette.

Mrs. Holden reported 78 members and 19 guests attended unit meetings during the month of November. She also reported Mrs. Robt. Hausman and Mrs. Harry Byrnes have agreed to be leaders of the Olmos Unit. Thelma Zinner will be co-leader of Lackland Unit #4. A night Alamo Hgts. unit is still under consideration. A suggestion has been made by Unit #6 that the bulletin use fillers on the history or past actions of the League of Women Voters. It was suggested that it would be desirable if the bulletin could be published earlier in the month. Board members were urged to call the Bulletin Editor to give any notices by the 20th of each month.

Rotating unit leaders was reported to be gaining favor and found to be very satisfactory.

Unit #6 also forwarded the suggestion that selling poll taxes was the best public relations work the League has done. The possibility of League members being deputized as poll tax sellers was discussed. Mrs. Irwin was requested to investigate the possibility of League members servicing buildings in the downtown area. Mrs. Conroy made a motion that all of the questions concerning issuing poll taxes be re-explored. Mrs. Davis seconded.

Mrs. Davis reported on the dinner given for the legislators. She also stated that the resolution to be introduced by the legislators was reported complete.

Mrs. Ashford reported that Mrs. Lila Cockrell had resigned and her resignation was accepted with regret.

Mrs. Conroy made a motion that Mrs. Davis be appointed T.R.I. Chairman. Mrs. von Phul seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Conroy submitted her resignation as Chairman of Legal Status of Women. Mrs. von Phul made a motion to accept her resignation with regret and Mrs. Holden seconded. "Judge" Mrs. Olive Maloney was suggested as a possible replacement of chairman of Legal Status of Women on a non-board basis. Mrs. Davis was asked to contact her and advise the Nominating Committee.

Mrs. Smith reported on a Membership Coffee to be held Thursday, December 13th, 9:30 until 11:30, at the Bright Shawl. A film will be shown at 10:30. The coffee will be free to all members although the Bright Shawl will charge us 50¢ per person, a minimum of \$25.00. The projector and screen would cost \$3.50.

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Marion Davis reported that we had a surplus of about \$18.00 left over from the buffet supper for legislators held Nov. 27. The board decided that this surplus should be used to defray part of the expense of the Coffee, the balance to be regarded as a Membership Committee expenditure. Members who wish to do so may contribute their half dollars.

It was reported that Mrs. Willette has accepted the chairmanship of the Budget Committee. Other members are Mes. Jorrie, deLand Smith, Barstis and Ashford. It was requested that suggestions for the Budget Committee be submitted at the earliest opportunity.

Mrs. Leah Johnston made a report on the Individual Liberties item.

Mrs. Call reported her committee made a field trip to the Water Board. Mr. Benedict gave an hour's discussion with illustrations. Mes. Call, Holden, Sinkin, Castleberry, Zinner and Roberts attended.

Mrs. Johnston made a motion that Mrs. Merle Solomon be appointed Chairman of N.C.R. 1-5 to replace Mrs. Irene Menter who resigned due to ill health. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis.

Mrs. Solomon gave a comprehensive report on her study. She stated her committee would place emphasis on facts regarding the structure and function of the U.N.. The focus would be on the policymaking of the U.N.. The Committee made proposals regarding various actions the League might take in the Units and in the community such as a special speakers' bureau, the use of radio and TV, distribution of a fact sheet, and calling the attention of the public to unit programs on foreign policy. It was suggested that the membership furnish lists of organizations to which they belong and contact each organization with a letter to be followed up by a personal appeal by a member on their program by either a 20 minute speech or an hour panel. Mrs. Call suggested this subject would be newsworthy of an editorial on January 16th before the unit meetings. The Board recommended that Mrs. Solomon proceed with her plans as outlined.

A discussion for an agenda for Mrs. Lee's visit was held. Following the discussion Mrs. von Phil and Mrs. Passmore volunteered to work out a tentative schedule after the meeting concluded, which was to be submitted to Mrs. Lee.

The meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Elsie Sexauer, for Secretary

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 14, 1956 at the home of Mrs. William von Phul.

Present were Meses. Ashford, Barstis, Davis, Conroy, Holden, Irwin, Johnston, Edwin Smith, Robert Smith, Weiner. Mrs. Koch attended as a visitor.

Mrs. Ashford called the meeting to order. The minutes and the treasurer's report were read and approved. Mrs. Ashford requested that refunds be specifically identified as well as being shown as miscellaneous income.

Mrs. Barstis reported on new publications. Mrs. Irwin suggested that they be shown to librarians of the public library for possible purchase. Mrs. Ashford appointed Mrs. Irwin and Mrs. Barstis as a committee to do this. Mrs. Ashford reminded the Board that directors are eligible for special subscription service.

Mrs. von Phul reported that public relations had gone along well in her prolonged absence; that many requests had reached her for voters service material on the amendments, and that Mrs. Fowler was doing a good job as head of the speakers bureau.

Mrs. Holden reported that the next briefing would be held Nov. 26; That the leaders wished to have two unit meetings on National item I but because of the holidays this meant that one meeting would have to be held in January and since the first Wednesday will fall on Jan. 2, each unit would decide when it preferred to hold that meeting. At the first October meetings about 50 attended units; at the second, the attendance was about 54 plus some 9 guests of whom at least 6 joined the League. She reported that units were interested in the Status of Women item and very much interested in the local education item, turning in a long list of questions for the survey committee to answer. The Lackland units have made themselves responsible for reporting on the Base school. Mrs. Marr's unit will hereafter meet only once a month. Mrs. Holden will explore the possibility of setting up an evening Alamo Heights unit, for which there seems to be a demand. There is also a ~~possibility~~ possibility of forming about 9 prospects into a South side unit. But Jefferson unit still has no leader, replacements are required for Lackland, and the leader of the Olmos unit is leaving the city. Alamo Heights unit is rotating leadership among its members with Mrs. Koch serving as chairman. Mrs. Holden asked that Board members take regular assignments to visit units on specific dates to help in orientation.

Mrs. Davis reported that the KONO panel that she and Mrs. Conroy were to present had been postponed till Nov. 25; half the time would be on Legal Status of Women and half on constitutional revision.

Mrs. Conroy reported on the plans for the party for the legislators to be held Nov. 27. It would be at Mrs. Passmore's. Mrs. Passmore insisted on having as much as possible of the food prepared at home rather than using a caterer in order to keep the price at \$2 a head. She and Meses. Sexauer and Mayfield were in charge of the refreshments. Remaining problems are who of the LWV should be invited to share the necessarily limited space, and what the program should be. It was agreed that Mrs. Passmore should speak after supper to welcome the legislators and say that our purpose was to inform them before the session started of the data the League had gathered on its legislative program; that Meses Davis and Conroy would briefly speak on their respective items to explain also what the League had put before the public as desirable. The idea would be to get the legislators talking during the discussion to follow. Mrs. Davis explained that it had been erroneously announced in the units that anybody who wanted to come would be welcome; since this was impossible, Mrs. Holden would assist her and Mrs. Conroy in making out a list of key members to be invited and correction would be made to the units with an announcement that space would permit only two reservations from each unit and that reservations must be made immediately accompanied by payment.

Mrs. Conroy reported that she would survey the carrying through of the status of women item in the community. Mrs. Bell had promised to contact the City Federation and would

also contact other groups.

Mrs. Ashford announced that Mrs. Willette would appear in Austin at the area conference to discuss voters service.

Mrs. Robert Smith said she had screened the membership list. She planned a supplement to Do You Know to update it, and is planning a new questionnaire modeled after one used by Dallas. She asked for suggestions for the membership coffee to be held in early December specifically in honor of members new since last April, but said that it would be a general membership meeting with a film as part of the program. It was suggested that the coffee be held at the Bright Shawl if that were feasible and that the hours be set at 9:30 to 11:30.

Mrs. Ashford stated that although Nov 1 had been the deadline for reporting to State our revised membership list, there were so many delinquents among faithful old members that she was holding back reporting until Nov. 20. Each board member made herself responsible for contacting a group of the delinquents to urge them to pay immediately so as not to be dropped; she herself had undertaken such a task and reduced a list of 45 to potential drops to 35. Some of the 10 paid, some confirmed their desire to be dropped.

Mrs. Ashford also reported that the finance campaign had raised \$2157.00 toward the \$2850 quota, but that only Mrs. Norton's team had completed its cards and the other 5 were still holding cards. Some new contributors had been gained; 11 new prospects had not been seen and six cards had not yet been assigned. Mrs. Holden and Mrs. Robert Smith will work on finding a finance chairman.

Mrs. Ashford asked suggestions for chairman of the budget committee. Mrs. Norton, Willette, Corrie and Lehman were suggested, with Mrs. Barstis as a board member.

Mrs. Vexler's election as president of Menat Health association forces her to resign as chairman of the educational section of the local survey. An attempt is being made to get Mrs. Liebllich to take over. A chairman for the whole item is needed, however, Mrs. Conroy is giving up the welfare section to devote herself to Status of Women. Mrs. Bell was suggested as a possible chairman for the Structure of Government section.

The program committee is to report suggested local program items to the January board meeting.

Mrs. Johnston reported that she is working on her briefing and on a plan to submit to the YWCA public affairs committee for cooperative work on National Item I. Her own committee is a good one. She has received many suggestions from CCOF for using radio spots for Bill of Rights week, Dec. 9 to 15. Mrs. Von Phul will give these to Mrs. Lang for placing with the studios.

Mrs. Ashford read Mrs. Lee's memo on UN and it was agreed that in the current emergency UN discussion be worked into the existing unit schedule.

Mrs. Irwin gave a report on Voters Service. Ft. Sam ~~reimbursed~~ Houston inquiries on voting totalled 707. From 7500-8000 Guides on amendments and candidates were distributed; unfortunately the orders were received from Austin uniformly short. Many organizations requested and received bulk quantities for distribution and many shared the cost, reimbursing us to the amount of \$42 at 1¢ per copy.

Mrs. Ashford stated that a committee had sent Voters Guides to the contributors list. She announced that St. Mary's University had asked for our ~~revised~~ membership list to use for their adult education division. The board agreed that it would refuse the request, as well as another from a California organization for Guide Dogs for the blind.

Mrs. Smith asked for lists of members who had worked on committees headed by board members.

Mrs. Holden asked the board to consider plans for its action if petitions were presented and effective in causing a charter election to be called.

Mrs. Davis suggested that ~~planned~~ consideration be given to a voters guide and voters service for the spring municipal election.

Mrs. Ashford commented that many members had noted, as she had, that no provision had been made at the polls Nov. 13 for secrecy in marking the small ballots used that day, and asked if the League should protest this matter publicly. The board decided not to do so.

The meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
at the home of Myra Scott, Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1956, at 9:30 a.m.

Present were Mesdames Johnston, Robert Smith, Barstis, Weiner, Irwin, Davis, Bell, Call, Koch, Ashford, Allensworth, and Conroy. Visitors were Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Arnold.

The meeting was called to order by the president.

Minutes of the last board meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer was absent due to an emergency call, but the president reported that the cash balance was \$1921.87.

Unit Chairman, Mrs. Holden, was ill and absent. Mrs. Ashford reported that all units would study the education section of the Know Your City study for their second Oct. meeting.

Mrs. Johnston, Natl. Item III chairman, reported that she would continue to attend meetings of the YWCA public affairs committee to explore the possibility of community use of a Freedom Agenda panel organized last year. She mentioned her participation in a panel consisting of Virginia Irwin, Marie Holden, Eloise Allensworth and herself on League purpose and program, which was presented on the KONO radio forum Sept. 30 and for the Agudas Achim sisterhood October 2.

Norma Call, chairman of the Natl. Water Item reported on her attendance at a special state meeting in Austin in August where there was extensive discussion of state water problems and legal disputes. She stated that they had decided to break the item down into national, state, and local responsibilities and collect resource material accordingly. On the local committee, Fay Sinkin will concern herself with national, Mary Ann Castleberry with state, and Joy Barrera with local material. A visit to the local water board and an interview with Mr. Thompson is planned. Members are invited to go with the committee. Mrs. Call would also like to bring members a prominent speaker, such as Dr. Webb of the University. The possibility of substituting a large meeting on water for on of the unit meetings in January was suggested.

The city-wide celebration of United Nations Day will consist of a community luncheon on Oct. 24 at the Menger Hotel, Mrs. Ashford reported. Community chairman is Mrs. Mamie Dial. She has invited presidents of all local organizations to serve on her steering committee. An authoritative speaker on U.N. will be engaged for the occasion. All organizations are being asked to contribute funds to the expense of the committee. Mrs. Conroy moved and Mrs. Davis seconded the motion that the League contribute \$8.00 to the celebration and donate \$2.00 for the luncheon for one of the foreign officers to be invited as special guests. Mrs. Francis Koch offered a special contribution of \$2.00 to the League in order that we might pay for two luncheon tickets for foreign officers instead of one. The treasurer will be instructed to send the check for \$12.00 to Miss Mary Ellen Holman, 233 Laurel Hts. Place.

Tickets for members are to be available at the Library and the Menger, and probably thru the mail. Mary Smith suggested and the board approved use of our telephone committee to alert all members to this celebration.

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Publications chairman, Gladys Barstis distributed "Focus, U.N. and Economic Development", Memorandum on Workshop on Water Conservation, and the new Voters Guides to the November Election.

The president announced that Lila Cockrell had taken a teaching position and would no longer be available as a board member, but that Marion Davis had consented to return to her old portfolio of Constitutional Revision. Mrs. Davis said that she would be making a speech Oct. 11 on State Constitutional Revision and Legal Status of Women.

Delores Conroy discussed plans to expand Legal Status activity to other community groups, perhaps thru a city-wide committee, and also thru reaching groups to which League members also belong. She reported great interest in the first unit meeting on the subject. Catherine Marr spoke to the N. W. Optimists Club Oct. 2 on Legal Status.

A motion was made by Leah Johnston and seconded by Virginia Irwin that Dolores Conroy and Marion Davis act as co-chairmen to plan an evening meeting about November 28 or in early December on the subjects of Legal Status and Constitutional Revision, the legislators to be our special guests. Motion carried. Plans are to include husbands as guests also.

Other speeches made by League members were reported: Myra Scott on U.N. for the Council of Church Women October 5, Charlotte Fowler on U.N. for the Laurel Hts. Methodist Churchwomen October 2. A panel from the Lackland night group consisting of Merle Solomon, Mary Keegan, Violet Azzato and Irene Mentor will appear at Lady of the Lake College Thursday evening, Oct. 11, on the subject of citizen participation in government.

Helen Arnold, recently appointed to state board ~~indefinitely~~ reported briefly on her attendance this week at a meeting in Austin. With regard to state board analysis of local Leagues she stated that the San Antonio League probably did not use committees as much as we should. She urged attendance at the membership conference in Austin Nov. 15 & 16.

Marion Davis made a motion, seconded by Delores Conroy, that \$8.00 be allowed each unit to send a representative to the Austin conference; if the unit did not use the money, it would be made available to another unit. The motion carried. No funds were appropriated for attendance of board members.

Mrs. Ashford asked whether our board would be interested in having the question of board members attendance at precinct conventions discussed at President's Council. Members indicated they would like such a discussion.

Mrs. Irwin, Voters Service Chairman, reported 525 inquiries at the Lackland center for out-of-state voting information, and 355 at Ft. Sam Houston so far. She said that women at Randolph Field had started a similar service after coming to Ft. Sam Houston for instruction. She recommended a repetition of the service in any general election year with an earlier start than this time.

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Mary Smith, Membership Chairman, stated that her committee on prospective members has a list of 50 names at this time. She asked for board guidance on some names which had been on the list a year or more. Ten names were eliminated by the board.

With regard to the question of when orientation meetings should be scheduled, since all months seemed to be equally busy, the planning and scheduling of orientation meetings was turned back to the membership committee to work out.

Mrs. Ashford reported finance contributions from non-members of \$1387.00, from members of 153.50 since September 12 plus about \$70 which came in earlier, plus member pledges of \$67.00. She asked for more names of prospective contributors. She also urged that a finance chairman be appointed to serve for the remainder of the year.

The Nominating Committee reported that it had reorganized itself with the following members: Chairman, Elsie Sexauer, members: Mary Smith, Marie Holden, Otela Kelley, and Margaret Wentworth.

Mrs. Ashford reported that Mrs. Vexler would be unable to serve as Chairman of the Local Know Your City Survey. She urged the board to help secure a chairman as quickly as possible.

Mrs. Lee's January visit to the League was discussed briefly with board members feeling that arrangements and agenda would depend in large measure on the number of people from other League's who would want to come to San Antonio January 22 and 23.

The meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Jack Allensworth, Secretary
(last 15 minutes recorded by
Helen Arnold)

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
August 22, 1956 at the home of Ruth Von Phul.

Present were Mesdames Ashford, Cockrell, Edwin Smith, Davis, Barstis, Irwin, Wiener, Mary Smith, Conroy, Holden Menter, Von Phul and Allensworth; also Sexauer, Koch, Bowden, Komarek, Ward, Bottenberg,

Mrs. Ashford introduced Enid Shutts, president of the Austin league who conducted the orientation of the board.

The minutes of the last regular board meeting were read and approved. Treasurer had no report. A discussion of how to handle petty cash for committees was held. Treasurer said she could handle it anyway the committees preferred.

Publications chairman, Gladys Barstis said Kits on Legal Status of Women and Pros and Cons on State Constitutional amendments are available.

Ruth Von Phul read a draft of a letter to go to other civic groups with suggested topics of public interest.

Unit chairman, Marie Holden said the unit leaders had a training session this morning at Myra Scotts. Lila Cockrell acted as leader and Ruth Von Phul as co-leader. They covered orientation and techniques. The importance of board meetings members attending units was stressed and the need for the board to explain their jobs to unit members at these informal visits. It was suggested that the unit chairman work up a schedule of board visits to the units so that all are covered. A motion was made by Marian Davis, seconded by Von Phul that such a schedule be developed by the secretary and the units chairman. Motion passed.

Voters Service Chairman, Virginia Irwin reported on Constitution Day plans in cooperation with other organizations. The League to place special emphasis on the new voters, just 21. Maggie Lang working on the invitation list for the new voters. Marian Leick and Virginia Benham working with her.

Membership chairman, Mary Smith announced that Otela Kelly will be the new member of the nominating committee. A new chairman must be appointed.

Julia Whitehurst must resign as finance chairman since she is now working. Fay Sinkin, Eloise Allensworth and Otela Kelly are to work with Carol Ashford on the contributor list. Gladys Barstis making up kits, Marian Davis mailing. Six finance captains are Holden, Wentworth, Jorrie, Norton, Sexauer and Passmore. Mary Smith acting as telephone coordinator and helping with solicitors. Names of suggested contributors are to be referred to Carol and Eloise.

General meeting in September was discussed. Marie McGuire will speak. Possibility of using this meeting as finance kickoff also was discussed.

Marie Holden moved that we draft a finance letter to members with an "interest" card enclosed similar to one used several years ago.

Von Phul moved that the resignation be accepted with regret, seconded by Marie Holden. Motion passed. Replacement was discussed and Esther Vexler was suggested.

Irene Menter as permission to conduct a voter's service at Lackland on absentee balloting. It was suggested that the Lackland group go ahead with plans at Lackland and then branch out to the other fields if it is successful. This was authorized.

Enid Shutts complimented the San Antonio League on their strong board. She stressed the fact that the local league is a part of the state and national leagues and that other leagues need to know what we are doing.

A question was raised as to what had happened to campus leagues. She said that they were being disbanded on a National level.

An area conference on membership is being planned and it is hoped that the problems of holding the membership of the league can be solved successfully. She told of a questionnaire sent out by the Austin league on : 1. why did you join the league? 2. What do you like about the units? 3. What don't you like ~~about the units?~~ 4. what suggestions do you have for greater participation in the league. As a result of the questionnaire each unit will be responsible for 1 general meeting which will ~~be~~ followed up on the unit discussion meetings. The units felt there should be more general membership meetings and 2 or 3 meetings on one subject--such as a local program item.

Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
met in the home of Myra Scott, August 8, 1956 at 9:30 A.M.

Present were: Mesdames J.J. Bell, Edwin Smith, Ross Irwin, Julia Whitehurst, Ruth Von Phul, Dorothy Ray, Gladys Barstis, Irene Menter, Mary Smith, Marie Holden, Delores Conroy, Carol Ashford, Eloise Allensworth, Arnold.

Minutes were read and approved as read.
Treasurers report is attached.

Mrs. Barstis handed out current publications including new National by-laws, nat. publ. on water and new FACTS.

Tentative years calendar was presented and discussed.

Motion was made by Dorothy Ray, seconded by Ruth Von Phul that Julie Whitehurst be appointed finance chairman for the current year. Motion passed.

Dates set for the finance campaign were Tuesday Sept. 11-25.
Von Phul moved, seconded by Ray that State amendment pros and cons and "Lets talk dollars and cents" be included with the contributors letter.

Board orientation meeting scheduled for August 22 in the home of Ruth Von Phul with Enid Schutte of Austin conducting. It has been recommended that there be individual conferences in the morning with general board meeting in the afternoon at 1:30 P.M.

A letter from Col. C. J. Hirschfelder concerning the celebration of constitution day on Sept. 17 was read. Either Ruth Von Phul or Carol Ashford will attend a meeting Aug. 9 to discuss plans with City Federation.

Delores Conroy moved, seconded by Mary Smith, that the general meeting be held on Sept. 12, the program to be on either public housing or public welfare. Motion passed.

Marie Holden made a motion, seconded by Delores Conroy that the dates for the finance meeting of the previous motion be rescinded ~~and that~~ ~~xxxxxxxSept 11-25~~. Motion Passed.

Ruth Von Phul moved, seconded by Mary Bell, that the finance campaign dates be set from Sept. 12-26 with kickoff to be made a part of the general meeting.

A note from Dorothy Ray was read by Carol Ashford presenting her resignation from the board since she and her husband are moving from San Antonio to Bethany West Virginia. Ruth Von Phul moved, seconded by Jane Weiner, that we accept with profound regret her resignation, and sincere congratulations that they are making a happy move to a small college town. Motion passed.

Jane Weiner moved, seconded by Gladys Barstis, that Mary Smith be appointed to fill out Dorothy Rays unexpired term as membership. Motion passed.

as Units chairman that Ruth Edwards will be the

new Alamo Heights leader. This completes the leaders for units now. The board approved this appointment.

Virginia Irwin reported on the the TV candidates meetings during July. There was general discussion and evaluation of the value of this type candidates meetings. The general feeling being that it was of great value and highly successful. 666 voters guides were sold before the election and the rest were distributed.

Mrs. Helen Arnold, formerly of the Tyler League and chairman of the committee on individual liberties was introduced.

The question as to how many state pros and cons on the amendments this league can use was discussed and it was decided 300 should be ordered.

Delores Conroy reported that 40 copies of the kit for action on the legal status of women had been ordered.

Conroy moved, seconded by Irwin, that Von Phul be authorized to order a directory of governmental officials at the cost of \$5.00.

Mary Bell reported that observers felt that on the official front Council Manager govt. was going very smoothly. The problem of observers to the pre-council meetings is difficult since these meetings are held very early in the morning. She asked if the book States Metropolitan Problems could be ordered. This was authorized.

Irene Menter, new board member, said she had no report other than the fact that the M.N. observance kit had been ordered.

Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN THE HOME OF Ruth Von Phul June 13, 1956 at 9:30 A. M. Present were: Mesdames J.J. Bell, Barstis, Harriet Smith, Francis Kach, Virginia Irwin, Holden, Call, Davis, Allensworth, Ashford and Von Phul also Miss Otila Kelley. Also Cockrell and Conroy.

Minutes of the last board meeting were read and approved.

Treasurers report is attached.

Publications chairman, Gladys Barstis handed out new board reports from National and a trade publication.

Mrs. Ashford brought out recommended changes in the new local leaders handbook. It was decided to order enough supplements to bring local handbooks up to date.

Ruth Von Phul reported that Kenneth Carey's class in government was to discuss pressure groups and the League was invited to talk about the function of the league as a pressure group. She also told of the plans for the TV Candidates meeting series to be conducted on ROR AND AGAINST moderated by Paul Thompson over KENS-TV.

A motion was made by Norma Call, seconded by Delores Conroy that Mrs. Ross Irwin be elected to the board as voter's Service Chairman. Motion passed.

Mrs. Irwin told of the plans for the T.V. Candidates series to be held in July. She read the proposed letter to the candidates concerning this program. This letter is to be submitted to Mr. Ed. Ray of the Express before mailing to the candidates. She also asked how many of the State Voters Guides should be ordered.

Mrs. Von Phul made a motion seconded by Holden that we order 3000 of the Voters Guides. Motion passed.

Mrs. Holden, Units chairman said she was very glad to report the units were in healthy condition. On May 16 all units met except Georgia Smith's night group. There had been a total attendance of 73 with 8 visitors, including the Lackland groups. The Lackland night group is meeting all summer. She announced two new leaders, Jean Bottenberg Jefferson and Bett Ward as unit chairman; Olmos group Carla Dowben as leader. Board voted approval of these unit leaders.

Lila Cockrell, State Constitutional Revision chairman reported her committee had met with 5 members present. They recommended 4 local citizens for the local citizens committee: Mr. Ben Wacker, Stanley Banks Jr., Maury Maverick, Tommie Call. The board suggested that Alex Thomas and Ed. Conroy be added to the suggested list.

Delores Conroy reported on the Legal Status for Women. There is a call for action on 2 items: removal of separate acknowledgment and the separate property section change. The need for a speaker's bureau on these was discussed.

Lila Cockrell suggested that a speakers bureau could coordinate all the various program items. Ruth Von Phul has been functioning as such a chairman.

OK Virginia Irwin made a motion, seconded by Conroy that Hazel Koch be assigned the fiscal item 6,7,8 on continuing responsibilities, as an off board responsibility. Motion passed.

Mary Bell is to carry the continuing responsibility of Council Manager Govt. She asked for help with getting observers.

Lila Cockrell moved that Marian Davis act as legislative chairman. Seconded by Conroy and passed.

It was reported that there had been a request sent in to State for a date for board orientation and that no one would be available until after June 20.

OK National Trade Item chairman was elected by the board. Motion made by Marie Holden, seconded by Norma Call that Iren Mentor be given this portfolio. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

E. Allensworth

REGULAR GENERAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
met at the Plaza hotel, Wednesday May 23, 1956.

Meeting was called to order by the President, Carol Ashford. Guests and new members were introduced. Minutes of the last general meeting were dispensed with.

Mrs. Smith gave the treasurer's report which is attached.

The program consisted of reports presented by the delegates to the National Convention in Chicago. Miss Otela Kelly told of the setting and attendance; Margaret Wentworth gave a resume' of Mrs. Lee's speech. Copies are available for .15. Carol Ashford told of the discussion on the Individual Liberties item and the convention decision. Margaret Wentworth told of the development of the Conservation item; and Otela Kelley reported on the International item. Carol Ashford discussed the continuing responsibilities. Margaret Wentworth reported on the Amarillo proposals and the national decision also other motions discussed. Carol Ashford told of the panels and workshops and said the general feeling was that the pattern of workshops was too rigid to be provocative.

Otela Kelley and Hazel Koch closed the meeting with some of the amusing incidents pertaining to the convention.

Meeting adjourned.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO was held in home of Ruth Von Phul, May 9, 1956 at 9:30 A. M. Present were Mesdames Ashford, Smith, Barstis, Kelley, Attneave, Holden, Von Phul, Johnston, Cockerell, Ray and Call. Visitors were West and Weiner. Wentworth visited briefly to thank the Board for the convention trip.

Constitutional Revision Chairman Lila Cockerell reported the appointment of some of committee members as follows: Mesdames Maverick, Komarek, Collier, Wacker, Hallmark and Maloney. She suggested that a copy of State Constitutional Review be given to local school superintendents. A motion was made by Dorothy Ray that she be given discretion in passing out free booklets and purchasing booklets necessary to C. R. Seconded by Otella Kelley. Passed. Immediate plans for C. R. are broken into following phases: Build public opinion. Appoint committee of citizens qualified for serving. Contacts with legislators. Community liason. Speaker's bureau. Each of these was discussed. Ruth Von Phul suggested candidate meetings be held with legislators before election to get C. R. reaction and interest.

Minutes were read and approved
Harriet Smith gave Treasurer's report and announced that member contributions are higher than ever. She reported that Glenda Hill's husband did the audit of the budget. Carol Ashford read a letter from Roy Pope stating that former audit of League budget was done with pleasure as service to League. It was estimated that the value of this contribution was \$25.00.

Ruth Von Phul reported on press coverage of the National convention and the Jefferson unit meeting at Lila Cockerell's. She suggested that in terms of local units and for facility of supervision and better coordination for each portfolio holder, the vice presidents be given supervisory capacities as follows: 1st V. Pres, Von Phul, Nat'l current agenda, Continuing responsibilities, Public Relations (include bulletin) and Voter's Service. 2nd V. Pres, Holden, Unit chairman, Membership and Publications. 3rd, Davis, Local current agenda, Local continuing responsibility, State continuing responsibility and Special Assistant to President. The nominating committee could work through membership chairman.

Otella Kelley made a motion to appoint Jane Weiner as Bulletin editor. Seconded by Ray. Passed.

Marie Holden, Unit Chairman reported that a total of 52 members and 11 guests attended unit meetings on April 18th. It was noted that names appeared on unit reports as members but are not members. It was suggested that membership application blanks be supplied unit leaders. Discussion of stating in policy sheet when to make dues payable. May 2 unit meetings 31 members and xx 2 guests attended. A June meeting for reorganizing units was suggested by Marie.

Carolyn Attneave reported on Know Your City Survey and the overall plans for organizing the survey. Material has been divided into three topics for immediate start and rough draft, and the overall rough draft be complete by May. Then new portfolio holder can finish, polish and distribute the survey. The three topics and steering committee chairmen are: 1. Structure of Government, Passmore. 2. Education, Vexler. 3. Welfare, Conroy. Ruth Von Phul moved that Marie Holden (unit chairman) and Dorothy Ray (membership) be nominated to serve on Nominating committee. Second by Johnston. Passed.

Discussion was held about appointing a Legislative Chairman, and Carol suggested that the Board be thinking about it and possible people to serve; one person, the Resource chairman or two Vice presidents.

Discussion of possible people to fill vacancies of Finance chairman and Voters Service chairman was held.

A motion was made by Carolyn Attneave that Mrs. Bell be asked to come on the board and accept Current Local Agenda. Seconded by Ruth Von Phul. Passed.

Delegates ~~at~~ to Chicago convention answered questions about and discussed the convention.

National budget report was made by Otella Kelley. The "reserve" funds had to be gone into to make the budget of \$190,000. Texas raised its budget \$350.

It was suggested and discussed that ~~we~~ we buy a recording of Mrs. Lee's convention speech.

Meeting adjourned.

Regular Board Meeting LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO was held in the home of Ruth Von Phul, April 11, 1956 at 1:30 P.M. Present were mesdames Ashford, Holden, Davis, Call, Attneave, Johnston, Ray, Smith, Barstis, Conroy, Von Phul, Allensworth and Miss Kelley. visitors were West and Cockrell.

Minutes were read and approved.

Mrs. Holden reported that the League has \$500 surplus at the end of year. The desirability of investing in some permanent office equipment was discussed.

Unit chairman, Mattie Holden discussed plans for unit meetings. Briefing for May meetings was discussed. New unit leaders for several units were announced: Lila Cockrell to replace Dorothy Ray in Jefferson Day group, Dorothy Humphreys, Jefferson night group, and possibility of Frances Koch for Olmos night unit. The need for followup on unit reports of leaders was emphasized and suggestions used in planning for future meetings. Board members were urged to attend their units whenever they can.

Ruth Von Phul reported on the excellent coverage by newspapers and radio and television spots for the state convention.

Mrs. Barstis distributed Bricker Amendment information to the Board.

Leah Johnston reported that the YWCA girls discussion group on Freedom Agenda was progressing very well. There has been much interest and they have followed the trend of expressed interest such as the 5th amendment.

A motion was made by Ruth Von Phul, seconded by Leah Johnston that Lila Cockrell be elected to the board and that she carry the portfolio of State Constitutional Revision. Passed.

It was announced that Mrs. Conroy will carry the continuing responsibilities on the state level.

Carolyn Attneave is to continue the Know Your City Study and set up the organization of this study. Details of how this should be carried out were discussed. The metropolitan area as related to the city limits proper should be involved in the study since there are many overlapping areas. A steering committee to include, Florence Passmore, Delores Conroy, Esther Vexler and Marylyn Wacker were appointed to assist in developing the study. It was suggested that 50 copies of KNOW YOUR TOWN be ordered.

Possibilities of a general membership meeting in May were discussed with reports of the National Convention as the program.

Regular board meetings are to be held in the future at 9:30 A.M. on the second Wednesday of the month.

It was decided that all League contributors should receive the voters calendar.

Board orientation leaders were discussed and Mrs. Tewell was suggested.

Dorothy Ray asked for more money to send out questionnaires on membership

interest. This was granted.

Announcements of forthcoming meetings of interest were made:

Wednesday April 25, National Conference of Christians and Jews.
Marian Davis, Carolyn Attneave and Marie Holden indicated they
could attend.

Institute of International Relations sponsored by the Quakers
to be held at Hawthorne Jr. School May 5, 6 and 7th.

Florence Pa smore and Carol Ashford attended the World Trade Luncheon.

Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS WAS held at the YMCA at 7:30 P.M. 54 members were present.

New Members and visitors were introduced. The invocation was given by Mrs. Robt. Weiner.

The President appointed the following Approval Committee for minutes: Mrs. Joe Ward, Mrs. Jas. Keegan, and Mrs. Zimmerman. Board members and unit leaders were introduced, each saying a few words about the League work with which she was connected during the past year. All those present at the meeting were given copies of annual reports submitted to the President by these Board members and unit leaders.

Mrs. Ed Cockrell, Jr., whose portfolio was the County budget item, read the "Statement of Position on County Budget Procedures by LWV of San Antonio," copy of which was distributed to the members present. (Copy attached.) After discussion, the President asked if there were any objections to the statement. There were none, and it stands as the official position of the San Antonio League.

Mrs. Holden presented the proposed local program for the coming year as follows:

Current Agenda

1. Completion of the New Year City Survey; and publication and use of a handbook.
2. Use of the Citizen's Handbook of Bexar County as a tool for:
 - a) a campaign of public education on the need for county home rule;
 - b) support of improved budgetary procedures to obtain more efficient county government.

Continuing Responsibility

Continued support of the basic principles of council-manager government.

Mrs. Holden moved Item I of the Current Agenda be adopted. Motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Holden moved Item II be adopted. Motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Holden moved the Continuing Responsibility be adopted. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. William Sinkin, Chairman of the By-Laws Committee, read the proposed amendment to the By-laws which would increase the annual dues for the San Antonio League from \$3.50 to \$5.00. Mrs. Sinkin moved the adoption of the following:

"To Amend Article VI, Section 2 - DUES - by striking out "Three dollars and fifty cents(\$3.50)" and substituting "Five Dollars (\$5.00)". And adding the sentence: "A new member who joins the League after September first shall pay dues of three dollars and fifty cents

(\$3.50) and shall be considered a paid up member until April first of the following year."

Mrs. Marr seconded. The motion was lost by a vote of 20 for, 30 against.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford, Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the proposed budget (attached), and moved its adoption. Motion was seconded and carried.

proposed by
Mrs. Francis Kesh presented the following slate ~~of~~ for the Nominating Committee, and moved that it be approved:

Second Vice-Pres. '58-'60
Third Vice-Pres. '58-'60
Treasurer '58-'60
Directors '58-'60

Director '58-'59 (unexpired term)
Nominating Committee '58-'59

Mrs. John M. Holden
Mrs. Leah Johnston
Mrs. E. D. Smith
Mrs. Albert Barstis
Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr.
Miss Frances Scarborough
Mrs. Lebt. Hausman
Mrs. A. B. Nolan, Chairman
Mrs. J. J. Raitt
Mrs. Keith Rodgers

The motion was seconded. There were no other nominations from the floor. The motion was carried.

It was announced that the next general meeting would be held on May 28 at the Jefferson Methodist Church. Luncheon will be served for \$1.25.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen Ladd
Secretary

CALLED BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Rufus Bell at 10:00 A.M., on March 19, 1958.

Present were: Mesdames: Robt. Hausman, Francis Koch, Clifford Davis, Leah Johnston, John Willmott, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Loss Irwin, Boyd Ladd, Rufus Bell, Robt. Weiner, John Holden, Albert Barstis, E. D. Smith, Tommie Call, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the Board meeting of March 12, 1958, were read by the Secretary and approved.

The President announced that Mrs. Cockrell has received permission from State Board President Mrs. Smith to hand out 200 copies of Reports 1, 2, and 3 of the Research and Planning Council, together with an explanatory sheet from the San Antonio League, to the delegates of the State League convention. Mrs. Koch moved that the San Antonio League pay the expense of approximately \$12.00. Motion was seconded and carried.

After some discussion of assignment of portfolios for the coming year, Miss Scarborough moved that the Board approve the following four: Mmes. Davis and Willmott, National items; Mrs. J.J. Bell, Council-Mgr. government; and Mrs. B. H. Passmore, County item. Motion was seconded and carried. It was suggested that Mrs. Hausman might take the State current agenda item, subject to more discussion following State convention.

Mrs. Irwin moved the adoption of the following supervisory set-up for the Board:

1st Vice-Pres. supervises

1. Public Relations Chairman
 - Press
 - Radio
 - TV
2. Voters Service
3. Bulletin
4. Publications

2nd Vice-Pres. supervises

1. Membership
2. Finance
3. Units

3rd Vice-Pres. ~~supervises~~ Program Co-ordinator

1. Calendar
2. Legislative Chairman

Motion was seconded and carried.

April Board meeting was set for April 9 ~~at~~ Mrs. Cockrell's home.

Miss Scarborough moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the possibility of the League's purchasing some kind of duplicating machine. Motion was seconded and carried. The President appointed Mrs. Weiner, Chairman, Mrs. Ashford, and Mrs. W. G. Sexauer.

By common consent it was agreed that the San Antonio League would not participate in the Pilgrimage to the Alamo.

Mrs. Willmott was elected the delegate to accompany the President, Mrs. Bell, to national convention in Atlantic City in April. Miss Scarborough and Mrs. Koch were chosen first and second alternates, respectively. Mrs. Koch plans to go as an observer if she is not a delegate.

After some discussion regarding a Finance Chairman, Mrs. Koch moved that Dr. Sara Jourdin be asked to serve. Motion was seconded and carried. When contacted on the telephone, Dr. Jourdin declined to serve.

The meeting was adjourned, and luncheon was served.

Immediately following luncheon, a briefing was held for delegates to State Convention.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd
Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Ross Irwin at 9:30 A.M. on March 12, 1958.

Present were: Mesdames: Harald Jensen, John Holden, Albert Barstis, E. D. Smith, Leah Johnston, John Willmott, Rudy Haberman, Jr., Francis Koch, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Robt. Weiner, Clifford Davis, Tommie Call, Ross Irwin, Rufus Bell, Boyd Ladd, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the February 12, 1958, Board meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

Mrs. Irwin presented the report of the Arrangements Committee in the absence of Mrs. Sam Jerrie, Chairman of that committee. She announced that in accordance with the results of the post card poll of members, the annual meeting would be held on the evening of March 18, 1958, at the YMCA. The President asked that each Board member give a three-minute speech at the meeting, so that members would have the opportunity to become familiar with Board members and their League work.

It was agreed that the newly elected Board would meet on Wednesday, March 19th at 10:00 A.M., at the home of the President. Delegates to State Convention will be asked to come at noon for a briefing.

The President appointed the following Audit Committee: Mrs. Harald Jensen, Chairman, Mrs. Will Sexauer, and Mrs. J. J. Raidt.

Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Cockrell read letters written to the State League Board and to Texas local League Presidents in accordance with motion passed at February Board meeting to request substitution of the not-recommended item of support of a workable County Home Rule amendment for Item II as recommended by the State Board.

The President read the list of members who ~~have been~~ are planning to go to the State Convention in Houston and who could serve as delegates from the San Antonio League: Meses. Koch, Hausman, Davis, Ladd, Barstis, Cockrell, Ashford, Willmott, Hallmark, Sinkin, and Rufus Bell. The Board approved these people as delegates, together with such others as the Executive Board might designate before the Convention.

Mrs. Cockrell moved that the League should pay all convention expenses of the President at both the State and National conventions. Mrs. Holden seconded. Motion carried.

After some discussion regarding the study of, and the consensus reached, on the current local program item concerning the County budget, Mrs. Cockrell moved that the County Affairs Committee draw up a statement of the position of the League with reference to budgetary procedures in the County government.

Miss Scarborough seconded the motion. Motion carried.
It was understood that mention of any other organization in the publicity on this matter is left to the discretion of the Public Relations Chairman.

The Treasurer's report stated that there was Cash on Hand as of February 12, 1958, of \$1,783.13. Income during the month ending March 11, 1958, was \$431.45, and Expenditures were \$89.75 for the same period, leaving Cash on Hand of \$2,124.83 as of March 11, 1958.

Mrs. Jensen reported the following: original finance campaign budget was \$2510 for non-member contributions and \$225 for members, making a total goal of \$2735. As of March 12, collections were \$2423.50 from 148 non-members, and \$145.50 from 23 members, making a total collection of \$2569. This amount represents 93.93% of the budget.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Robt. Weiner at 9:30 A.M. on February 12, 1958.

Present were: Mesdames: Clifford Davis, Albert Barstis, Rudy Haberman, John Holden, Leah Johnston, Ross Irwin, Tommie Call, Robt. Weiner, Rufus Bell, and Boyd Ladd.

Minutes of the January 29, 1958, Board meeting were read by the Secretary and approved by the Board.

The President read portions of a letter addressed to her by the State President, Mrs. H. W. Smith, in regard to the proposed amendment No. 1 recommended by the By-Laws Committee in connection with the change in name of the San Antonio League. Mrs. Bell reported that Mrs. Sinkin, By-Laws Committee Chairman, had talked with Mrs. Smith on the telephone and/had decided to her committee

withdraw this proposed amendment.

The possibility of increasing the pledge to State and National from \$1635 to \$1700 was discussed, and the Board reaffirmed its previous decision not to increase this amount, as it represents nearly 55% of our estimated current year's income of \$3,000.

Following some discussion as to the advisability of having the annual meeting in the evening, as previously planned by the Board, Mrs. Davis moved that the Board set the time on the basis of results of a postcard poll made in connection with the Bulletin to all members. This poll was suggested by Mrs. Jorrie, Chairman of Meetings. Mrs. Haberman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the President read a report from her, indicating Cash on Hand as of February 12, 1958, of \$1,783.13.

The Board agreed to Mrs. Smith's suggestion that she present a monthly summary each month, and a cumulative report each quarter. Mrs. Weiner moved that the President appoint a committee of League members to audit the accounts. Motion was seconded and carried.

reports
Mrs. Holden presented to the Board a summary of units' ~~summary~~ on State Board's proposed program items. After some discussion, Mrs. Holden moved that, considering the consensus resulting from units and Board discussion on State proposed current agenda, the San Antonio League request a substitution of the non-recommended item of support of a workable County Home Rule amendment for Item II as recommended by the State Board (role of citizen in Texas jury system.). Mrs. Call seconded. Motion carried. Mrs. Holden then moved that the President and Mrs. Cockrell write letters to local League presidents, asking their cooperation in supporting this recommended change. Mrs. Weiner seconded, and motion was carried.

The Board agreed that there would be 2 unit meetings on March 5, Board meeting on March 12, and that the usual second unit meeting of the month would be cancelled because of the annual meeting on March 18 or 19 (time to be set after result of poll is determined).

Mrs. Holden moved that the San Antonio League pay \$11.25 registration fee for each delegate to the State Convention in Houston, up to 20 delegates, the number allotted this League. Mrs. Weiner seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Boyd Ladd at 9:30 A. M., January 29, 1958.

Present were: Mesdames: Ed Cockrell, Jr., Harold Jensen, Bill Sinkin, Gerald Ashford, E. D. Smith, John Willmott, Leah Johnston, Hoggswirwin, Albert Barstis, John Holden, Francis Koch, Robt. Weiner, J. J. Bell, Rufus Ball, Boyd Ladd, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

The minutes of the December 11, 1957, Board meeting (copies of which had previously been sent Board members) were approved as written. Minutes of the January 15, 1958, membership meeting were read, the Secretary stating that no additions or corrections had been reported by the Approval Committee. These minutes were approved as read.

Due to Mrs. Jensen's illness, Mrs. Ashford served as Chairman of the Budget Committee. After considerable discussion by the Board, Mrs. Cockrell moved that the report of the Budget Committee be approved by the Board, subject to adjustments by the Budget Committee to be printed in the Bulletin.

Mrs. Sinkin, Chairman of the By-Laws Committee, presented the following proposed amendments recommended by the By-Laws Committee:

1. To amend Article I, Section 1, NAMES- by inserting word "Metropolitan." Statement to read: "The name of this organization shall be "The League of Women Voters of Metropolitan San Antonio."
2. To amend Article VI, Section 2, DUES- by striking out "Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3.50)" and substituting "Five Dollars (\$5.00)." And adding the sentence: "A new member who joins the League after September First shall pay dues of Three Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3.50) and shall be considered a paid up member until April First of the following year."

These proposed amendments will be printed in the Bulletin, together with explanatory comments by the By-Laws Committee.

Mrs. Holden presented the Local Program Committee's proposed program items for 1958-59 agenda as follows:

1. Completion of the Know Your City Survey; and publication and use of a handbook.
2. Use of the Citizen's Handbook of Bexar County as a tool for a campaign of public education on the need for county home rule; and support of improved budgetary procedures to obtain more efficient county government.

These program items were accepted by the Board, with the understanding that Mrs. Cockrell and Mrs. Holden would edit the wording

for the Bulletin.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented as follows:

For 2nd Vice-Pres. Mrs. John M. Holden
3rd Vice-Pres. Mrs. Leah Johnston
Treasurer - Mrs. Edwin deland Smith
Directors (2 yr terms)
Mrs. Albert Barstis
Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr.
Miss Frances Scarborough
Director (unexpired term)
Mrs. Robt. Hausman
Nominating Committee
Mrs. A. B. Nolan, Chairman
Mrs. Naide Ralst
Mrs. Keith Rodgers.

Miss Scarborough moved that the annual meeting of the San Antonio League be held on March 18, 1958, 7:30 to 9:30 P. M. Mrs. Weiner seconded. Motion carried.

The President announced that the State convention would be held March 25 - 27 in Houston. About ten members present indicated that they would probably be able to go. National convention was announced for April 21 - 25 in Atlantic City. Mrs. Willmetts and Mrs. Cockrell indicated that they might be able to attend.

Mrs. Jansen announced that 77.95% of the Finance Drive had been collected, and it was hoped the full quota might be reached by the cards still remaining to be turned in by finance workers.

Next Board meeting was set for February 12, to be held at Mrs. Weiner's.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P. M.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held on January 15, 1958, at noon, in the Colony Room of the Aurora Hotel. Luncheon was served. Approximately 80 people were present. These included the following guests of the League: Mayor and Mrs. J. Edwin Kuykendall; City Councilmen Reuben Dietert, Melvin Gayese, Dr. Jose San Martin, Joe Olivares, Ted Pinson, and Ralph Winton; out-going City Manager Steve Matthews and Mrs. Matthews, and in-coming City Manager Lynn Andrews and Mrs. Andrews.

The invocation was given by Mayor Kuykendall.

The President, Mrs. Bell, appointed the following Approval Committee for the minutes of the meeting: Mrs. David Jacobsen, Mrs. A. B. Wacker, and Mrs. R. A. Eottenberg.

Mr. Matthews spoke on the subject of "Citizen Participation in Government," including a discussion of various types of metropolitan area government. Mr. Andrews gave a progress report on the condition of the City in general and a few of its specific problems. A question-and-answer period followed.

After a short recess, a business meeting was held. The Treasurer reported expenditures to date of \$3,341.30, leaving Cash on Hand of \$1,765.48.

Mrs. Cockrell announced that the County Budget hearing will be held at 9:00 A. M. on January 22, and urged League members to attend.

The President appointed Mrs. Sam Jerrie Chairman of Meetings.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Rufus Bell at 9:30 A.M. on Dec. 11, 1957.

Present were: Mmes. E. D. Smith, B. H. Passmore, John Willmott,
Albert Barstis, Clifford Davis, Leah Johnston, Harald Jensen,
J. J. Bell, Ross Irwin, John Holden, Francis Koch, Rufus Bell,
Rebt. Weiner, and Boyd Ladd.

Minutes of the Board Meeting of November 22, copies of which had
previously been sent Board members, were approved as corrected.

Mrs. Jensen, Finance Chairman, reported a total of \$2,078.00
collected and/or pledged, representing 118 non-member contributors
and 18 member contributors. The president suggested a meeting be
held in January to discuss experiences in the finance drive.

The Treasurer reported Cash on Hand as of December 11, 1957, to be
\$2,056.77. (Complete report attached.)

Mrs. Barstis reported a total to date collected on the Bexar County
Handbooks of \$153.50, with expenses of \$6.86 to be deducted. A
number of handbooks are out on consignment and 196 on hand.
Mrs. Koch moved the Board authorize an order for printing an
additional 1,000 copies of the handbook at a cost of \$250. Mrs.
Smith seconded. Motion carried.

After some discussion of the shared field service for Texas during
next October and at a later date, as proposed by the State League,
Mrs. Jensen moved the San Antonio League pledge \$100 toward total
State expense. Mrs. Barstis seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Davis was asked by the President, speaking for the Board, to
draft a report to the State League concerning State program items
for the future on the basis of the consensus coming from each unit
which had come
during their study.

Mrs. Weiner announced that the deadline for the January Bulletin
was December 24, and that the deadline for the February Bulletin
would be the January Board meeting on January 29th. All reports
of Committees for the Annual Meeting--that is, Nominating, Budget,
By-Laws Revisions, and Local Agenda--must be published in the
February Bulletin.

Mrs. Koch reported membership figures as follows:

Total membership October	247
Dropped for dues non-payment	21
(all contacted before dropping)	
New members to date	4
Total as of December 11	230

Mrs. Koch also reported that the first in a series of non-member

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orientation meetings was being held Wednesday, December 11. Juliet Brookhausen is in charge of these meetings, which are planned for approximately ten new members each time. Old member orientation will be planned as soon as the new-member groups are well launched, and Mrs. Koch asked that Board members and Unit leaders make any suggestions they might have in this connection.

Mrs. Irwin stated that the "Viewpoints" column in the San Antonio News has the new name of "Know Your Government."

Mrs. Willmott discussed with the Board plans to get up a list of local clubs interested in World Trade, so that they could receive material from the League on this subject.

Mrs. J. J. Bell discussed recent City Council meetings, particularly discussions concerning the ceramics program and participation paving.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen Ladd

Ellen Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Miss Frances Scarborough at 9:30 A. M., November 22, 1957.

Present were: Mmes. Rufus Bell, John Holden, Clifford Davis, Robt. Weiner, Rudy Haberman, Leah Johnston, Albert Barstis, Tenne Call, Robt. Hausman, John Willmetts, Boyd Gade, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

In the absence of the Treasurer, her report was read by Mrs. Holden. Total Income was \$2562.10. Cash on Hand April 1, 1957, \$2,225.18, less expenditures \$2,917.20, leaving a Cash Balance on November 21, 1957 of \$1,868.08.

Mrs. Jensen's Finance campaign report was read by the President, indicating a total of \$1891 collected. It was suggested that the County handbook was by far the most valuable campaign tool, and that in future years not as much miscellaneous material need be included in workers' kits.

All of the League, and particularly the Board members, have been invited to attend the annual meeting of the Research and Planning Council at 12:15 P.M. at the Hilton Hotel on Tuesday, December 3.

The President read a letter from the State Board concerning the possible scheduling of a few weeks' full-time assistance of a representative of the National Board in leadership training and organization in Texas.

This person's work would have particular application to the organizing of new local Leagues in this State. The plan being considered for next year would cost about \$2,000, which would need to be raised from present local Leagues over and above the usual budgeted amount for State and National support. After some discussion, it was agreed to defer a decision until the next Board meeting.

Mmes. Holden and Davis presented a summary of units' consensus on State program items, and recommended that the following be forwarded to the State Board from this League:

Current Agenda:

1. Support of a workable county home rule amendment.
2. Work for revision of the State Constitution. To do this, we will:
 - a. Build public opinion for revision.
 - b. Study specific areas of state government so that the League may be able to recommend or support needed constitutional reforms.
 - c. Work for adequate financial support for the needs of the program.

Continuing Responsibilities: Remain as at present.

Mrs. Johnston moved that the items be adopted as worded. Mrs. Weiner seconded. Motion carried. Mrs. Davis was requested to make the report to State Board.

The President read a letter from Mrs. Gerald Ashford, suggesting a

"Book of Remembrances" as a memorial to deceased League members. Contributions made by friends in their memory would be put in the general local League funds, with appropriate acknowledgments to the donors. The Board authorized expenditure for the book.

Mrs. Irwin's report was read by Mrs. Holden. The printer's bill for the County Handbooks was \$678. This amount was made slightly higher than the original estimate because of increased length of the book. This means that each book actually cost the League \$4.10. 1,000 more books may be obtained for \$150. Mrs. Irwin also reported that KENS-TV presented a forum on the County jail bond issue. Mrs. Cockrell was the League moderator, and participants in the discussion were Jim Brady and Jeel Westbrook. Mrs. Lang also assisted in setting this program up.

Mrs. Holden moved that the League accept "with greatest regret" the resignation of Mrs. E. P. Willette as Veterans Service Chairman. Mrs. Barstis seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Barstis reported that only 344 handbooks remain undistributed. She was authorized to mail membership lists to the members.

The next Board meeting will be on December 11, at the home of the President, Mrs. Bell, at 9:30 A. M. Staying after lunch to work on formulation of local program items for the coming year will be Meses. J. J. Bell, Sid Cockrell, Clifford Davis, Gerald Ashford, Rufus Bell, and others.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the Colony Room of the Aurora Hotel at noon on November 23, 1957. Approximately 75 people were present.

The President called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Mrs. Will Rips.

Guests of the League were introduced: County Commissioners Pena and Jorrie; Mr. Willmett of the Research and Planning Council; Mr. Holman, City Librarian; and Miss Dana Baugh, Political Science student of Trinity University, who is assisting in the work of the City survey. Guests of League members were also introduced.

The following off-Board committee to approve minutes of this meeting were appointed by the President: Mmes. Earl Wentworth, R. M. Tuell, and Thos. M. Bertsch.

Mrs. Jensen, Finance Chairman, reported that 58% of the campaign goal had been collected, or \$1590.00.

The President then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Cockrell, Chairman of the County Budget program item. She called on Mrs. Fassmore to comment on the Handbook, and Mr. Willmett to report on a committee studying metropolitan area and County home rule problems on which he is serving.

The principal speaker at the luncheon was Mr. Tommie Call, Editor of the San Antonio Evening News, whose topic was "County Home Rule." He was introduced by Mrs. Cockrell.

The President asked Miss Scarborough to report on progress of the City survey now underway. Following this report, the meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary,

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CALLED BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the Aurora Hotel at 11:00 A. M. on November 13, 1957.

Present were: Mmes. Rebt. Weiner, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Harald Jensen, Leah Johnston, Temme Call, John Willmott, Clifford Davis, Rufus Bell, John Holden, J.J. Bell, Boyd Ladd, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Mrs. Holden summarized reports from units on suggested national program items, and recommended the following for Board approval to send to the National office:

1. Re-assessment of U.S. foreign policy to determine its effectiveness in terms of our basic goals, changing power formations, aspirations of other peoples, and threat of thermonuclear war.
2. Water Resources: Development of a national water policy with emphasis on central coordination and clearly-defined responsibilities of governmental agencies at all levels.

Continuing Responsibilities: Support of measures to promote a consistently administered loyalty-security program, framed to protect national security and to safeguard constitutional rights.

Mrs. Cockrell moved Item No. 1 be approved by the Board. Mrs. Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Johnston moved Item No. 2 be approved by the Board. Mrs. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

After some discussion, Mrs. Davis moved that the CR item be changed to read as follows:

Support of measures to promote a consistently administered loyalty-security program, framed to safeguard national security and constitutional rights of the individual.

Mrs. Weiner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Miss Scarborough moved that Mrs. Holden complete the report to National on suggested program items, giving in addition to the above, as much expression of units' ideas as possible, for the guidance of the National Board. Mrs. Willmott seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

Next Board meeting at home of Frances Scarborough, 9:30 A. M.,
Friday, November 22.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Robt. Weiner at 9:30 A. M., October 30, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames J. J. Bell, Albert Barstis, E. D. Smith, Robt. Hausman, Syd Cockrell, Jr., John Willmott, Leah Johnston, Clifford Davis, John Holden, Tommie Call, Robt. Weiner, Rudy Haberman, Harald Jensen, Rufus Bell, Boyd Ladd, Ross Irwin, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the Membership meeting on September 25, 1957, and the Board meeting of October 9, 1957, copies of which had previously been sent to Board members, were approved. Minutes of the membership meeting had also been approved by an off-Board committee.

The Treasurer reported the following cumulative totals for the current League year: Expenditures of \$2,106.72; Income of \$1,698.25; Cash on Hand as of October 30, 1957, \$1,814.71. There was some discussion concerning expenditures on meetings. This item budgeted as \$75.00, has already exceeded that amount. The President asked for ~~that~~ a detailed report of the expenditures under this item.

Mrs. Call volunteered to decorate tables for the luncheons.

Reporting on the finance campaign, Mrs. Jensen announced \$1,107.75 in hand, with an additional \$90 already collected to be turned in, making a total of \$1,197.75, of the goal of \$2590.

Mrs. Holden reported an attendance at October unit meetings of 103 members and 6 guests. Since the units were busy on consensus on water and loyalty-security items, they did not consider program for the coming year. Mrs. Davis moved that a committee of Mmes. Holden, Johnston, Willmott, and Call draft suggested program items to send to the units as a springboard for their discussions on National level, at their November 6 meetings. The units are to make any additions, suggestions, or comments they wish. Mrs. Cockrell seconded the motion, and suggested that the committee pull the unit reports together with a recommendation of items for Board approval. The motion carried. Due to the November 21 deadline on National items, a called Board meeting was set for 11:15 A.M. November 13, in the Aurora Hotel, to approve National items to be submitted.

Next regular Board meeting was scheduled for November 22 (Friday), at 9:30 A.M. at the home of Frances Scarborough.

Mmes. Haberman and Willmott were asked to act as a Continuing Responsibilities legislative committee. They will compile a list of local people to call upon for action on National CR legislation.

Mrs. Davis read a letter from the Austin League and its enclosure, in which they ask that the San Antonio League go along with them in opposing a second session of the State Legislature to deal with segregation bills. By common consent, it was decided that the President should write a reply to Austin, with a copy to the State Board, stating that we do not feel we could properly take action under League procedure. A draft of this letter will be submitted to Mrs. Irwin, Public Relations Chairman, for approval.

Mrs. Cockrell reported that her committee is working on a guide which will give additional information on County budget and finances. She also reported briefly on the conference in Houston concerning metropolitan area problems. This general subject might be a State program item in the future, looking toward a workable County Home Rule amendment. Mrs. Cockrell announced plans for the membership luncheon November 13, at which Mr. Temme Call of the San Antonio News will speak on County Home Rule. League guests will be the County Judge, the four County Commissioners, Mr. Willmott of the Research and Planning Council, and Mr. Bob Dale, illustrator of the Handbook. Mrs. Cockrell was authorized to invite up to three additional guests.

Mrs. Irwin suggested that the President write a short letter and send handbooks to all people listed on the back page (national and State officials serving Bexar County).

Mrs. Call asked that the Congressional Record be requested for the League and that it be sent to Mrs. Irwin. It was so agreed.

Mrs. Irwin announced for the Veterans Service Chairman Mrs. Willette that approximately 4,000 Voters Guides have been distributed and that more were available to any desiring them. There is a possibility of a pro and con TV program on the Jail bond issue. Mrs. Cockrell will moderate.

Mrs. Scarborough reported on progress of the City survey and said that Trinity senior political science students were going to assist with the work.

Mrs. Weiner reminded Board members of the November 18th deadline for next Bulletin.

The President received written reports from Meses. Irwin, Call, Holden, Willmott, Jensen, Willette, Barstis, Koch, and Miss Scarborough, which outlined details of committee activities.

Ellen J. Ladd
Secretary

Board Meetings: 11:15 A. M. Nov. 13 - Aurora Hotel.
9:30 A. M. Nov. 22 (Friday) - Frances Scarborough's.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Boyd Ladd at 9:30 A.M., October 9, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames Robt. Hausman, Francis Koch, Rudy Haberman, E. D. Smith, Albert Barstis, Eugene Willette, Tommie Call, John Helden, Clifford Davis, Keith Rodgers, Ross Irwin, John Willmott, Leah Johnston, Harald Jensen, Rufus Bell, Boyd Ladd, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the September 11, 1957, Board meeting, copies of which had previously been sent to Board members, were approved.

The Treasurer gave a complete report of finances from April 1, 1957, to date (copy filed with Secretary), showing Cash on Hand as of October 9, 1957, \$1076.43.

The President suggested that the business of the Board meetings might be expedited by each member's having with her a written report of her League activities and/or committee's work since the previous Board meeting, and her future plans. After Board discussion of these reports, they would be filed with the Secretary and copies sent out with the minutes to Board members as deemed necessary. After some discussion of this plan, the President requested the Board members to try it out by bringing short, informal written reports to the next Board meeting.

Mrs. Irwin reported the following costs for the County Handbook printing:

\$502.10	for 1,500 copies
562.35	for 2,000 copies
125.00	for an additional 500 copies within 6 mos.

Mrs. Davis moved that 2,000 be printed, to be sold for 25¢ each. Mrs. Call seconded, and the motion carried.

Mrs. Irwin suggested that additional copies of the Voters Guide be ordered so that finance campaign workers could give them to contributors in quantity where requested. By common consent, the size of the order was left to be decided by Mmes. Irwin, Willette, and Jensen.

Mrs. Davis reported that a legislative Continuing Responsibilities committee would be set up soon to help in handling Calls for Action from National and State levels. Possibly they would arrange a meeting with Congressman Rilday.

The President announced that Mrs. Cockrell was in Houston to attend a meeting on county government. Mrs. Irwin moved, Miss Scarborough seconded, that we reimburse Mrs. Cockrell her plane fare.

Mrs. Francis Koch moved that the League send a contribution of \$10, or up to \$15 if requested, to the sponsoring organization of the United Nations luncheon on October 24. Miss Scarborough seconded, motion carried.

Mrs. Willette reported that over 3,000 Voters Guides were out or promised, and she suggests order 2,000 more. Mrs. Davis moved that Mrs. Willette and Mrs. Irwin, in conference with the President, should decide whether a Voters Guide should be put out for the County bond issue. Mrs. Call seconded. Motion carried.

Miss Scarborough described the citizens' committee meeting on the streets portion of the bond issue to be voted on in the City. Mrs. Rufus Bell, Mrs. J. J. Bell, and Miss Scarborough were the three representatives of the League, in response to an invitation from the Mayor.

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Mrs. Jensen announced the orientation meeting for finance campaign workers would be held on Monday morning, October 14th, at 10:00 at the home of Helen Hansman. On Monday, October 21 at 9:15 A.M. the finance workers will assemble in the basement of the Nix Bldg. for coffee and workers' kits.

Mrs. Barstis inquired whether the League should buy notebooks for Board members to be used during their terms of office and then passed on to their successors. This question was referred to the Budget committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

The next Board meeting is scheduled on October 20th.

September 25, 1957

The first regular membership luncheon for the Fall of 1957, of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio, was held September 25, at the Colony Room, Aurora Hotel. The President, Mrs. Rufus Bell, opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by the introduction of new members, new board members and guests of members. Mrs. Bell appointed the following three off-board members to read and approve the minutes for this meeting: Mrs. W. J. Hallmark, Mrs. Wm. Brockhausen, Mrs. Clayton Scott. Mrs. Clifford Davis then introduced State Representative Joe Lee Hensley, as guest of the League.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Bell introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. L. K. Richard, of Waco, Past President of the Texas League and new member of the National Board of Directors, who spoke on a better understanding of member responsibility as members of State and National Leagues, and the program of each.

Mrs. Bell then introduced Mrs. Tommie Call, Water Conservation Chairman, who gave a brief talk on our water problems; and Mrs. Leah Johnston, Chairman, Loyalty-Security Program, who stated that the National Board asked that a consensus be reached in October. Members were urged to read Just Suppose to help in a better understanding of the Loyalty-Security Program.

Mrs. Marie Holden announced that briefing would be held at Leah Johnston's, September 26, at 8:00 o'clock.

A brief question and answer period was followed by the Treasurer's report by Mrs. Edwin Smith.

<u>Expenditures</u>	
General Administration	\$ 25.00
Committees	50.70
Operating Costs	195.34
Publications	36.48
Bulletin	147.54
Activities in Community	151.75
State and National Service	817.50
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	\$ 1424.31
<u>Income</u>	
Cash on hand April 1, 1957	719.25
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	2942.43
Less Expenditures	1424.31
Cash on Hand Sept. 25, 1957	<hr/>
	\$ 1518.12

Mrs. Frances Scarborough, Chairman, City Survey, reported on a meeting she attended of the Bond Improvement Committee of San Antonio. She also stated the League Committee meeting on the City Survey would be held October 4, at 10:00.

Mrs. Wm. L. Sinkin, Chairman, Housing-Pening-Planning Committee, reported a Public Service Party Bus had been engaged for October 17th at 9:45, to meet at the San Pedro Playhouse to take interested League members on a tour of the city slums and housing projects. Reservation should be made with Mrs. Smith Kirby or Mrs. Sinkin.

Mrs. Virginia Willette, Voters Service Chairman, encouraged member participation in the city sponsored tours of the sites concerned in the proposed bond issue.

Mrs. Bell announced the completion of plans for a Memorial Fund to honor deceased League members and to recognize their service to the League. Mrs. Gerald Ashford is chairman, and checks could be mailed to her or Mrs. Edwin Smith.

Mrs. B. H. Passmore, Chairman County Survey, stated her committee had completed its work on the Citizens Handbook & Directory of Bexar County and it was ready to go to press.

With no further business, the meeting was closed by Mrs. Bell.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mrs. J. N. Castleberry, Jr.

Secretary Pro Tempore

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Rebt. Hausman at 9:30 A.M., Sept. 11, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames E. D. Bell, Ross Irwin, John M. Holden, Clifford Davis, Boyd Ladd, E. D. Smith, Tommie Call, Sid Cockrell, Jr., J. J. Bell, Eugene Willette, Harold Jensen, Francis Koch, Albert Baratis, Robt. Weiner, E. H. Passmore, Robt. Hausman, Gerald Ashford, Paul Fowler, and Miss Frances Scarborough. Guests present were Mrs. A. B. Nolan, in charge of Placement and Records for the membership Committee, and Mrs. Wm. R. Kinkel, representing the Lackland Unit.

Minutes of the July Board and membership meetings were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Treasurer reported expenditures of \$1,381.04, total income of \$669.75, cash on hand April 1, 1957, \$2,223.18, leaving a balance on hand September 11, 1957, of \$1,511.89.

By common consent the Board agreed that the \$25 President's fund may be spent at her discretion for such things as tickets for Board members to attend luncheons given by other organizations which are of particular interest to the League.

The proposed Policy Sheet on Non-Partisanship was read through by Mrs. Ashford. Mrs. J. J. Bell moved the adoption of the Policy Sheet, seconded by Mrs. Davis. After some discussion, Mrs. Sid Cockrell moved Part I, Section 3, be amended, adding, "This should have special application to unit leaders and certain off-Board committee members." Mrs. Irwin seconded. Amendment carried, the Policy Committee to edit the wording. The Policy Sheet on Non-Partisanship was then approved by the Board as amended.

A Local Policy Decisions sheet was then read by Mrs. Ashford. Mrs. Holden moved its adoption, and Miss Scarborough seconded. After discussion it was generally agreed to add the Secretary and Treasurer to the Executive Committee, which would then consist of all the elected officers of the Board. It was also agreed to reject a proposed Section 8 in reference to flowers and gifts. Mrs. Holden moved the adoption of the Local Policy Decisions sheet as amended, and Miss Scarborough seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Irwin reported she was still looking for a press chairman.

Mrs. Holden introduced Mrs. Kinkel, new co-leader for the Lackland night unit. An orientation meeting for this group is set for October 8, incorporating into this unit also the former Day group. Plans for the Leadership Workshop on September 18 were discussed.

Mrs. Call and Mrs. Davis reported preparing materials with their respective committees for the September briefing for the Units.

Mrs. Weiner reminded the Board of the deadline of the 15th of the month on items to be sent her for the Bulletin.

Mrs. Koch announced the following new members of her committee: Mrs. Brockhausen, orientation; Mrs. Wenk, prospects; Mrs. Reidt, hospitality; Mrs. Nolan, placement and records. Orientation of new members gets under way the first part of October, with a few members at a time. This local league now has 257 members, of whom 210 are active, 41 inactive, and 6 associates.

The President requested all chairmen of committees to send to her, with a copy to Mrs. Koch of the Membership Committee, a list of all members of their committees.

Mrs. Cockrell and Mrs. Passmore discussed with the Board the revised County Survey, which will be ready for the printers soon. Mrs. Passmore estimated that as much as \$250 might be needed from the Treasury in addition to returns from sale of the booklet. Mrs. Cockrell moved the Board authorize the County item committee to put the booklet in the hands of the printer to be finished in time to use in the finance drive. Seconded by Mrs. Willette. Motion carried.

Miss Scarborough announced that her committee on the City survey was ready to begin work.

Mrs. J. J. Bell reported a meeting at her home of persons interested in the Observer group. She also outlined for the Board one of the problems facing City officials at this time concerning inspections and license fees for the meat packing and milk producing industries.

Mrs. Harold Jensen moved the Finance Committee send cards to members requesting contributions. Mrs. Koch seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford was appointed by the President as Chairman of a committee to consider an Otela Kelley memorial.

By common consent the Board agreed that the number of Voters Guides to be ordered would be determined by Mrs. Willette and Mrs. Irwin.

Mrs. Cockrell moved that, following recommendation by the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Rudy Haberman be elected a Director on the Board for State Continuing Responsibilities. Mrs. Barrett seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Fowler asked for a volunteer to teach two sessions of a conversation class at the Y.W.C.A. Mrs. Hausman agreed to assist.

The October Board meeting was announced for the 9th of October at the home of Mrs. Ladd, 612 Kampmann Blvd.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd
Mrs. Boyd Ladd, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at the home of Mrs. Rufus Bell, at 8:00 P.M., July 30, 1957. Over 110 members, husbands, and friends were present for the watermelon party in the Bells' back yard garden.

Minutes of the previous membership meeting were read by the Secretary and approved. The President was authorized to appoint a committee to read and approve minutes of membership meetings as written by the Secretary. A copy of the minutes will go to each Board member, and the report of the above committee will also go to the Board. Mrs. Sam Jerrie, Mrs. Willis Jourdin, and Mrs. Gretchen Goldschmidt were appointed to act as the committee for this meeting. This procedure will eliminate the reading of the minutes at membership meetings.

N Mrs. John Willmott was presented as the new Director on the Board for the Foreign Policy portfolio. Mrs. Willmott replaces Mrs. Robert Solomon, who is leaving the city. Husbands and guests of League members were also presented.

Miss Frances Scarborough spoke briefly about the work of her committee, completing the "Know Your City" survey, and asked for additional workers.

Mrs. Clifford Davis reported on the outcome of legislation in which the League was actively interested at the recent session of the State Legislature.

Senator Henry Gonzales, the principal speaker for the evening, outlined highlights of the legislative session and some of his experiences as a new Senator.

The meeting was adjourned to the watermelon table.

Ellen J Ladd

Mrs. Boyd Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Ross Irwin, at 9:30 A.M., July 10, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames B. H. Passmore, John Holden, Robt. Hausman, Clifford Davis, Albert Barstis, Leah Johnston, E. D. Smith, Temme Call, Harald Jensen, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Will G. Sexauer, Jr., Francis Koch, Maurice Arnold, R. D. Bell, Boyd Ladd, Ross Irwin, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved. The auditor's report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1957, was presented by the Treasurer. This report was accepted by the Board.

In response to a letter from Mr. Spencer, Director of Civil Defense, the Board authorized the President to ask Mrs. Robt. Rosenthal to represent the League at a Civil Defense meeting on Friday, the 12th.

The President announced that Senator Gonzales had accepted the invitation to come with his wife to the membership meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Bell on the evening of July 30th. This is to be a watermelon party in the back yard, with all State legislators ~~xxxxxx~~ and their wives invited to attend. Husbands of members also invited.

The resignation of Dorothy Rosenthal as Chairman of Voters Service was accepted with regret. Motion was made by Mrs. Koch, seconded by Mrs. Barstis, and carried.

Mrs. Irwin reported that the pamphlet "Tips on Writing Legislators" will be held up until the new Voters Service chairman is appointed. She asked Mrs. Call to prepare a "Viewpoints" on water and Mrs. Johnston one on individual liberties.

Mrs. Holden was asked to complete the coming year's calendar, after talking with Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Call. Full copies were asked for the Board and Committee chairmen, and a condensed version for the membership, to be mailed with the Newsletter.

Mrs. Davis announced that she is organizing her committee on Constitutional revision. It was suggested that she appoint a chairman for State Continuing Responsibilities.

Miss Scarborough reported that she is getting up her committee on the "Knew Your City" survey, and that she would like to have the opportunity to sign up interested members at the watermelon party.

Mrs. Cockrell announced her first committee meeting for Friday morning, July 12. The first task of her committee will be to bring the County survey up to date.

Mrs. Jensen said she expected to have 225 cards for the finance

drive, which is to begin October 21. She plans to have nine captains and 45 workers. Mrs. Arnold stated that she thought the Voters Guides would be available by that time.

Mrs. Koch announced 17 drops and 8 new members. Some of these drops occurred some time ago. The new membership committee organization recommended by State was discussed briefly.

Mrs. Weiner reminded that August 15 is the Bulletin deadline.

Mrs. Barstis requested Board members to advise her when their publications subscriptions expired, so that she could renew them. She plans to get League literature in local libraries wherever possible.

Mrs. Johnston reported that she is calling her present committee members, and they have tentative plans for a morning coffee early in September for all those interested in individual liberties. Some discussion followed as to possible ways to use the film, "Kill Only the Ivy."

Mrs. Call reported that the Water Committee plans to distribute publications on their subject to legislators, libraries, etc.

Mrs. Sexauer has set up a Typing Committee to assist members of the Board.

Mrs. Koch moved that a committee of Mesdames Holden, Cockrell, and Passmore be appointed to work with the President in making plans for Leadership Training. Mrs. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cockrell moved that the President appoint a committee to make a study of the organization of the Board, with a view to changing supervisory jobs of the vice-presidents, the recommendations to be submitted in September. Mrs. Irwin seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Arnold announced that she was submitting her resignation as a member of the State Board, and she urged that the San Antonio League make at least two suggestions of persons from this City who would be able to serve.

Mrs. Bell was requested to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Walter Stiles on the loss of her husband this week.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Robert Weiner at 9:30 A.M. , June 26, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames Ross Irwin, Francis Koch, Robert Weiner, Tommie Call, R. D. Bell, John Holden, Sid Cockerell, Harald Jensen, Leah Johnston, Clifford Davis, Robt. Rosenthal, Edwin deLand Smith, Paul Fowler, J.J. Bell. and Mrs. Maurice Arnold of State board.

Mrs. Smith read the Treasurer's report and said that all bills had been paid. All publications are charged against proper categories. It was agreed to send a note of thanks to Mr. Flughaught who did the audit.

Mrs. Rufus Bell reported that she had visited Alamo Heights and Lackland units and also met with the Calendar and Finance Committees. Efforts to get the typing committee with Elsie Sexaur as Chairman set up have been very satisfactory. She reported also that efforts to form a South side unit were not satisfactory but felt that some good will come of ground work done to form it, as one member did send in her check and others professed interest in joining later. She read a note of thanks from Juliet Brockhausen. Efforts to obtain Bob Anderson in June as a speaker did not materialize due to his indefinite plans Mrs. Bell reported. He did say he would be very interested to speak for us any time he was down this way. It was hoped he would still be in Texas and his appearance as a speaker for the League and to the public would capitalize on some of the nation-wide publicity the League has been receiving. She read a letter from Mr. Spencer, director of Civil Defense, in which he requested the League to help him find workers and people to type two days a week. Mrs. Rosenthal reported that she is on the C D Board and that some one has been found to do the typing.

Mrs. Bell read a letter from Cookie, president of State League, in which she emphasized: 1. Boards awareness of membership participation and a large membership committee. 2. Redistribution of supervisory work. Mrs. Bell suggested a membership meeting in Sept. to Cookie and she replied that they would be glad to send a good State speaker. The Board concurred.

Georgia Smith is to do a history of the San Antonio League with help from all past and the present presidents. Mrs. Bell asked permission to delete from past minutes all legal records and important papers and have them inexpensively bound for preservation. The motion was made by Leah Johnston, seconded by Mrs. Rosenthal and passed unanimously. It was suggested that the minutes be given to Trinity or some library. Mrs. Bell reported that Mrs. Robert Smith had accepted the chairmanship of the by-laws committee.

Board meeting for July was set for the 10th at the home of Doris Rosenthal.

Mrs. Koch, Membership chairman suggested that some sort of written invitation be sent to prospective South side members instead of getting them to commit themselves by phone. Board agreed.

Mrs. Holden reminded board about bulletin notices in the August edition.

Calendar Committee Mrs. Holden discussed with the board Calendar plans for the coming year. Plans for a watermelon party at the home of Mrs. Rufus Bell on Tuesday, July 30 at 8 to 10 P. M. were finalized. At the party there will be a legislative round-up.

It was agreed that the calendar committee could work out the September luncheon and coffee events and eliminate the membership tea.

Mrs. Bell will check on getting Mr. Southerland from the Hogg Foundation for Leadership training.

Discussion was held on when and what to present at briefing session for October unit discussions. Session should be after Board meeting and luncheon it was decided.

After much discussion about what items to present for unit discussion in each month and after much shifting of dates it was decided by common consent to let the ~~ix~~ calendar committee re-arrange and complete the calendar.

A motion was made by Marion Davis to retain the League telephone listing ~~and~~ at the home of Mrs. Boyd Ladd. It was seconded by Mrs. Jensen. Passed.

Mrs. Rosenthal, Voters Service Chairman read a list of do's and don'ts on how to write to your representatives and a list of mayors and councilmen of surrounding cities of San Antonio with the correct salutations for each. It was moved ~~that~~ by Mrs. Irwin that this list be mimeographed for distribution to other organizations as well as for the League. Seconded by Lila Cockerell. Passed. It was agreed that publications chairman decide on the price per sheet.

Mrs. J. M. Bell reported that as Council observer many changes were going on that look ominous, but she could not reveal them at this time, but she warned that none of us must be complacent about our council -manager government.

There was discussion with Mrs. Fowler, Speakers Bureau Chairman, about offering League speakers to men's luncheon clubs locally.

Mrs. Jensen, Finance Chairman reported that each captain in the finance drive will have about 25 cards. She reported the need for workers. By unanimous consent Mrs. Jensen was authorized to get Mrs. Knowland to order at least 300 copies of "Comment" and "Tomorrow is Today" and reprints of "Watchdogs in High Heels" to use in the Finance Kit.

Mrs. Arnold reported that state board meeting will be Sept 18-19-20 and state Voters guides on amendments will be out about Oct. 1. She noted that reliable, unemotional statements concerning the amendments pro and con are needed.

Mrs. Bell suggested that an interim letter between bulletins be sent to membership to spur interest in program, local, state and national. Letter draft to be submitted at July 10 board meeting.

Board was asked to be thinking of replacement for Mrs. Solomon, U. N. and Foreign Policy portfolio.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20

Norma Call
Substituting for Ellen Ladd

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., at 9:30 A. M., May 15, 1957

Present were: Mesdames Albert Barstis, Francis Koch, Tommie Call, Gerald Ashford, Edna Irwin, Robt. Weiner, Victor Prassel, John Holden, Clifford Davis, Leah Johnston, R. D. Bell, Harold Jensen, Robt. Rosenthal, E. D. Smith, and Miss Frances Scarborough. Mrs. W. Horton Smith, representing the State League, was also present. Minutes of the March Board Meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

The President introduced two new members of the Board who had been elected as Directors by a telephone poll of the Board: Mrs. Harold Jensen, who will serve as Finance Chairman; and Miss Frances Scarborough who will be in charge of our Local Agenda Item No. 1, Know Your City Survey. She The President also introduced Mrs. Victor Prassel, who will serve as off-Board Committee Chairman of National C-R #6, the Federal Budget.

Mrs. W. Horton Smith, President of the Texas League of Women Voters, gave a short talk on the various responsibilities of Board members and made some suggestions of possible future activities of this local League. Several Board members discussed important points of their individual conferences with Mrs. Smith the previous day.

Mrs. Irwin asked and received the approval of the Board to appoint a Press Chairman to handle newspaper releases.

Mrs. Holden reported that the Lackland Day unit apparently was discontinuing and that perhaps some of those members could combine with Southside members to form a new unit. A summer training session for future unit leaders and resource leaders is planned. ~~xxxxx~~ Mrs. Cockrell suggested that Glenn Costin of Dallas might be available ~~xxx~~ to lead a study of discussion techniques.

Mrs. Davis reported the status of legislation in which the League is interested.

Mrs. Cockrell asked and received approval of the Board to include under her general supervision the work of the committee in charge of Local C.R. #1, bringing the County Survey Handbook up-to-date.

Mrs. Call spoke of the difficulty of getting material copied and out to the units on occasions when time is very short. In the case of State League office material, the Board authorized Board members to telephone Austin if necessary and request that they special delivery the material at the San Antonio League's expense.

Mrs. Passmore suggested that a forecast of the local League's work for next year be prepared by the various resource people, to be mimeographed and mailed to members.

The President appointed Mrs. Holden Chairman of the Calendar Committee, and asked that this Committee meet before the June Board meeting.

Mrs. Barstis announced that she would be out of the city for about six weeks, and that Mrs. A. E. Nolan would have access to publications and would service publications requests.

May 15, 1957

Mrs. Weiner requested all Board members to furnish items concerning their portfolios for the Bulletin. By common consent the Board agreed to have the June Bulletin on regular schedule, skip July, and have a late August Bulletin which would serve for September also.

Mrs. Harold Jensen asked for names of prospective contributors from Board members.

After some discussion of the telephone listing, the Board decided to use the number of the Secretary, Mrs. Ladd, on the same basis as the number has been listed in Mrs. Ashford's home.

Mrs. Davis moved that the Board have automatic reservations at all League affairs requiring reservations. Mrs. Irwin seconded. The motion was lost.

Mrs. Ashford reported as Chairman of the Policy Committee, which consists, in addition to Mrs. Ashford, of the three Vice-Presidents and the President, that a tentative Local Policy Sheet would be drawn up for the next Board meeting.

It was agreed that the Secretary should notify by telephone the following people of Board meetings: Board members, off-Board Chairmen of C.R. committees, the Nominating Committee, and the member of the State Board who lives in San Antonio, Mrs. Arnold.

Mrs. Cockrell moved that the Board ask the Policy Committee to draw up a formal statement that a Board member receives without charge all necessary material to function as a Board member. Seconded by Mrs. Call. This motion was interpreted to mean that Special Subscription Service would be furnished. Motion was passed. The Publications Chairman, Unit Chairman, and Treasurer were asked to decide how to handle Unit leaders' materials.

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June Board Meeting was set for June 26, the home of Mrs. Weiner.

The Treasurer reported that the audit would be finished by Friday, May 17.

By common consent, it was decided that the Officers would serve as an Executive Board in case of an emergency.

Mrs. Bell reported on the closed-circuit TV show put on by the American Association for the United Nations, Inc., and sponsored locally by the League of Women Voters.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Boyd Ladd, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, May 8, 1957, was held in the dining room of the Aurora Hotel. Luncheon was served. Approximately 75 members were present.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of March 13, 1957, were read by the Secretary and approved. In the absence of the Treasurer, the President gave a tentative report and announced that the books were being audited.

The President was given the authority to appoint a By-laws Committee to consider an increase in the dues.

Mrs. B. H. Passmore spoke on the subject of "Structure of Government of State and County," and Mrs. J. J. Bell outlined some of the current problems at City Hall.

Mrs. Wm. Sinkin, Chairman ~~and~~ of the Subcommittee on Housing, Zoning, and Planning spoke briefly on plans for future work of her committee; and Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., explained how her committee on the County Budget item expected to set up its work.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Boyd Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Boyd Ladd at 9:30 A.M., April 10, 1957.

Present were: Mesdames R. D. Bell, Ross Irwin, John M. Holden, Clifford Davis, Boyd Ladd, Edwin deLand Smith, Tommie Call, Leah Johnston, Albert Barstis, Robt. Weiner, Francis Koch, Robt. Rosenthal, Robt. Solomon, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Robt. Hausman, and Visitor, Mrs. Joe Ward, Jefferson Night Unit Co-Chairman.

Minutes of the February and March Board meetings were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Treasurer submitted a report as of March 31, 1957, showing a cash balance on hand of \$2,223.18. A copy of this report was filed with the Secretary.

Mrs. Irwin reported on past activities as Voters' Service Chairman, including the TV candidates meetings and the distribution of Voters' Guides. She recommended that the new Voters' Service Chairman have a larger committee to assist her. She reported that 4,000 Guides were distributed. Only \$1.00 was collected in sales, as many of the Guides were given out by the Council of Churches, which organization did not ask for reimbursement for Guides which they published and furnished to the League a few months ago.

Reporting as Public Relations Chairman, Mrs. Irwin inquired as to who ~~is~~ could check copy of "Viewpoints" on Federal fiscal policies. Since there is no resource person on this item at present, Mrs. Bell suggested that Mrs. Irwin ask help from Mrs. Holden or Mrs. Koch.

Mrs. Davis reported on status of legislation in Austin concerning constitutional revision, election laws, a Juvenile Code, and legal status of women. Mrs. Davis described the discussions at Presidents' Council on constitutional revision. Mrs. Cockrell stated her opinion that there should be a State-wide citizens committee on constitutional revision, and Mrs. Koch said that several legislative chairmen of ~~these~~ other organizations in San Antonio would like to be contacted by the local League on this subject. By common consent, the Board approved the writing of a letter by Mrs. Davis to the State League Chairman, expressing our continuing concern and study.

Mrs. Call reported that an excellent film on "Water" was shown at the meetings held for units and general membership on April 3, but attendance was very poor. The Water Committee has prepared mimeographed charts, maps, and other material for units. Mrs. Call asked that a third unit meeting be used on this subject.

Mrs. Johnston summarized Jerry Williams' speech at Presidents' Council on individual liberties, and announced the receipt from the Carrie Chapman Catt Foundation of a book on the Freedom Agenda work.

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Mrs. Barstis listed the contents of a complete Board Member's notebook. She raised questions regarding payment for material to be sent to Board members, units, etc. Mrs. Bell requested that the Policy Committee be re-activated and enlarged to work out such problems. Hazel Koch so moved and Gladys Barstis seconded. Motion passed. Mrs. Solomon suggested that a form accounting for publications be worked out for the use of units.

Mrs. Weiner requested that the League letterhead for the Bulletin be reordered. She suggested that 5,000 would be an appropriate amount. Mrs. Solomon so moved, Mrs. Koch seconded, motion passed. Mrs. Weiner asked that she receive notices for the Bulletin by the 15th of the month.

Mrs. Koch discussed plans for orientation meetings, and asked whether the questionnaire for members covering experience, preferred committee assignments, etc., should be mailed out, inasmuch as the plan to have them filled in at unit meetings has not been satisfactory. There was some discussion of getting the questionnaire information by telephone, and the matter was referred to the Policy Committee.

Mrs. Rosenthal reported that she had assisted Mrs. Irwin in writing letters to candidates and had helped with the TV candidates meeting.

Mrs. Solomon requested that units be asked to follow foreign aid news developments in the newspapers, and said that she had sufficient material to provide for another unit meeting in May. She asked whether additional material on Israel should be mimeographed for distribution in the units. It was decided to ask the Policy Committee for a ruling on the amount which could be spent by a Committee Chairman without Board authorization.

Mrs. Cockrell reported that County Commissioner Jorrie has offered his full support to the League in their study of the County budget, and the Research and Planning Council has also offered its assistance and full cooperation, on our County budget program item. Mrs. Cockrell pointed out that there were two aspects to the study: (1) the immediate question as to whether the money presently covered by the budget is allocated to the best uses, and (2) the long range problem of whether city-county consolidation would mean more efficient use of the taxpayers' money.

Mrs. Hausman reported for the Nominating Committee that Mrs. Cockrell had accepted, subject to election by the Board, the County Budget Portfolio. Such election by the Board was handled by telephone by the Secretary, in order to complete the action as soon as possible. Mrs. Hausman asked for suggestions from Board members for possible Finance Chairman.

Mrs. Irwin moved that the Unit Chairman, Mrs. Holden, and Membership Chairman, Mrs. Koch, be the members of the Nominating Committee. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Weiner, and passed.

Mrs. Irwin was authorized by the Board to appoint a Scrapbook Committee. The Board also gave the President authorization to make committee appointments in conference with the three vice-presidents.

Mrs. Bell announced that Mrs. Horton W. Smith would be in San Antonio on May 14th and 15th as a representative of the State Board. Individual conferences with Board members will be held at Mrs. Bell's home on the 14th, and Mrs. Smith's meeting with the entire Board on the 15th in Mrs. Cockrell's home.

The Board will meet in June at the home of Mrs. Weiner.

It was decided to have a final membership meeting at a luncheon on May 8.

Mrs. Bell reported that the National Resources Conference held by the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Trinity University was excellent, and asked permission of the Board to write a letter to Col. Creighton, thanking him for his assistance to the League. Permission was granted.

The meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Ladd

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held in the home of Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., at 9:30 A.M. on April 9, 1958.

Present were: Mesdames John Willmott, Albert Barstis, Robt. Hausman, Ross Irwin, Gerald Ashford, Robt. Weiner, Clifford Davis, E. D. Smith, John Holden, Leah Johnston, J. J. Bell, Rufus Bell, Boyd Ladd, Edith Morsh, and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of March 18, 1958, were read by the Secretary and approved as corrected. Minutes of Board meeting of March 19 were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer's report covered the period March 11, 1958, to April 9, 1958, showing income during that time of \$311.85, expenditures of \$478.14, leaving a cash balance of \$1,958.54.

By common consent it was agreed that Mrs. Johnston has the authority to appoint an off-Board chairman for legislative work. Without objection, the Board also agreed to the appointment of Mrs. Carol Haberman as off-Board Chairman of State Continuing Responsibilities.

The President announced the appointment of Mrs. Ashford as off-Board Chairman on Policy.

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Mrs. Irwin reported that Mrs. Maggie Lang had contacted the TV stations with reference to using the Voters Service slides available from National office, and that the stations were willing to use several. By common consent, the Board authorized Mrs. Irwin to purchase the slides. Mrs. Irwin stated that TV candidates meetings for the summer were being arranged by Mrs. Cockrell, Mrs. Lang, and herself.

In the absence of Mrs. Cockrell, Mrs. Irwin read the Voters Service report, which included plans to appoint a Republican and a Democratic woman to be a "consultant" to the Voters Service Committee. With reference to possible cooperation with the Council of Churches on Voters Guides, the Board requested that Mrs. Cockrell bring a report to next Board meeting regarding the Council's plans, questions they plan to ask on their guide, etc.

Mrs. Holden announced that May unit meetings would be held on water, and that possibly there would be an informal unit leaders' training session in June.

Mrs. Holden nominated Mrs. Wm. Leczner as Finance Chairman. Motion was seconded and carried.

It was agreed by the Board that Mrs. Edith Morsh would work with Mrs. Weiner on the Bulletin until Mrs. Weiner's departure. At that time Mrs. Morsh will replace Mrs. Weiner as Editor.

Miss Scarborough reported that work on the City survey was progressing and that the next unit meetings were to be on "How the citizen may approach his City."

Mrs. J. J. Bell announced that her committee is studying a reporting form to be used by Observers at City Council meetings. These forms would serve two purposes: (1) assist in training new observers, and (2) facilitate reporting City Council business to units.

Mrs. Weiner described an A.B. Dick mimeographing machine which belongs to the League and which has not been used for some time. Mrs. Weiner recommended, and the Board agreed, that this machine would probably meet our needs after servicing, and that purchase of new equipment was not necessary. Mrs. Weiner advised against the League's trying to do the reproduction of its own Bulletin, regardless of equipment available. She felt that the possible small saving involved was of less importance than prompt dispatching of the Bulletin.

Mrs. Weiner also discussed with the Board the possible location of the League office in the new Jewish Community Center now being built off San Pedro near Loop 13. After some discussion, the Board asked Mrs. Weiner to tell the Center that we would like to be considered in their allocation of space on a tentative basis, with the understanding that no firm decision would be made by the League Board until a later date when more details are available.

Mrs. Barstis announced that the Special Subscriptions for Board members had been cancelled and that all Board members now have the complete \$6.50 service.

Without objection, the Board approved the continuation on the Nominating Committee of Unit Chairman Mrs. Holden and Membership Chairman Mrs. Koch.

After some discussion, the Board agreed to have an all-day meeting in May, allowing ~~xxx~~ time for Board training, to be planned by the President and Mrs. Ashford. It was agreed that unit leaders would be invited to attend this meeting.

In connection with the May 28 luncheon, the Board agreed to arrange for baby-sitting services at a cost of 75¢ to each Mother using the service. If the cost of \$11.50 is not fully covered in this way, the Board agreed to cover the difference..

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

The 1959 ANNUAL MEETING of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at 7-30 p.m. on March 10th at the Central Christian Church with President Bell presiding.
Mes. Reed, Carhart and O'Hair were appointed as a committee to approve the minutes.

Annual Reports were presented by the officers and board members. A condensation of these will appear in the next Voter. Several committee chairmen were cited for their excellent work (Mes. Reed, Cheney, Peretta, Sexauer and Hallmark) and our State Board member, Mrs. Ashford, was presented.

An orchid corsage was given Mrs. Bell by Mrs. Cockrell as a token of the appreciation of the Board.

Revision of the By-Laws

It was moved by Mrs. Lechner (seconded by Mrs. Passmore) that Art. II, Sec. 2 be amended by substituting the word "principles" for "platform".
Carried.

It was also moved by Mrs. Lechner (seconded by Mrs. Holden) that Art. VI, Sec. 2-Dues-be amended by striking out "Three Dollars and Fifty cents (\$3.50)" and substituting "Five Dollars (\$5.00)". After considerable discussion it was so voted.

Budget

Mrs. Holden moved that the Budget presented in the Voter be accepted with the changes which would come about with the increase in dues-

dues item of revenue would be \$1250 instead of \$875	
Member contributions	" " 200 " " 400
Non-member	" " 2600 " " 2865

Seconded by Mr. Jourdin and carried.

Local Current Agenda

The passage of the proposed Local Current Agenda was moved by Mrs. Johnston and seconded by Mrs. Hallmark. Mrs. Passmore moved that the item 2b be amended by substituting "Support of legislation leading to a workable Home Rule Amendment" and placing the proposed 2b on Local Continuing Responsibilities. Seconded by Mrs. Sexauer and carried as amended.

Mrs. Scott (seconded by Mrs. Passmore) moved to adopt the following items as Local Continuing Responsibilities-

- 1-Continued support of the Council-Manager form of government.
- 2-promotion of long-term budgeting procedures.

This was passed.

Mrs. Passmore spoke regarding the work needed for the proposed County Home Rule Amendment and asked members to alert organizations to which they belong and try to get dates for speakers on the subject. She also mentioned the need for a group to attend the hearing on the amendment. Pres. Bell reminded members that the manager form of government may be an important issue in the forthcoming city election.

The resignation of Miss Frances Scarborough as City Survey Chairman was presented and (on the motion of Mrs. Johnston and second of Mrs. Parstis) was accepted with regret.

Election of Officers

Mrs. Parstis presented the report of the Nominating Committee and it was voted that the report be accepted and all officers elected un-

President	Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr.
1st V.P.	" Ross Irwin
2nd V.P.	" W. B. Sinkin
Secretary	" V. Prassel
Directors	Mes. K. Ward, F. Koch, J. Morsh and R. Hausman
Hon. Comm.	" F. Osbur (Chr.), W. Sexauer and C. E. Graham

Mrs. Cockrell announced the Board Training session on March 12th.
Mrs. Bell reminded the membership of the President's Council at Austin
March 17th and 18th. Delegates are Mrs. Cockrell and Hausman and Observ-
ers are Mes. Baratis, Johnston, Betty Ward, Terry, Lottenberg, Koch and
O'Hair.

A rising vote of thanks was given out-going President Bell who graciously
responded and turned the gavel over to her successor. In accepting, Mrs.
Cockrell urged members to continue their high degree of interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. F. Willmott

Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Sec. pro tem

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held Feb. 11th at the home of Mrs. E.H. Smith with Mes. Barstis, Bell, Cockrell, Davis, Ericsson, Hausman, Johnston, Koch, Morsh, Passmore, Smith and Willmott present.

The minutes of the January Board and Membership meetings were approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$1589.31.

It was requested that all finance cards be turned in by Feb. 15th.

Mrs. Bell announced that the City Survey materials would soon be turned over to the editing committee. It is hoped that Miss Scarborough may be well enough to assist in the final revision.

Mrs. Ericsson, who is working with Mrs. Davis on Foreign Policy, was introduced. Since it seems advisable to have further meetings on the subject before the National Council, it was decided to devote the April unit meetings to it, pushing the County Budget discussion up to May. The first session will be a planning one and the second one an invitational unit meeting, conducted by a member panel. An effort will be made to double attendance and possibly two units may put it on as a joint project.

Mrs. Passmore reported on the meeting in Austin where representatives of several cities considered the proposed County Home Rule Amendment.

Mrs. Cockrell discussed the recent County Budget hearing at which she ably represented the League.

It was announced that the Annual Meeting of March 10th will be held at the Central Christian Church at 7-30 p.m. Board members were asked to make their reports very brief and a condensation of them will be published in the next Voter.

On the motion of Mrs. Koch (seconded by Mrs. Cockrell) it was voted to hold the post-election Board meeting" at the adjournment of the Annual Meeting".

It was announced that a joint Board-Training session for the Austin and San Antonio Leagues will be conducted by Miss Christine Urban on Mar. 12th (10-2-30) on the second floor of Mummy's Cafeteria on Fredericksburg Rd. Present, past and prospective Board members are expected to attend.

Plans for the forthcoming President's Council at Austin were discussed. Mrs. Hausman was named official delegate. Mes. Barstis and Johnston and possibly others will go as observers. On the motion of Mrs. Passmore (seconded by Mrs. Barstis) it was voted that "25 dollars be set aside for observers' expenses at Council".

Meeting adjourned at 12 O'clock.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. F. Willmott
Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Sec. pro tem.

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at 9-30 a.m. Jan. 14, 1959 at the home of Mrs. E.D. Smith. Attending were Mes. Ashford, Barstis, Bell, Cockrell, Davis, Irwin, Johnston, Koch, Morsh, Passmore, Smith and Willmott.

Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$1604.67.

The First Vice President reported that her interview with Mr. Ray of the News had been very successful and that he does want to continue the column, perhaps occasionally rather than weekly. The next (on the Jury System) will appear today. It was suggested that he might use material from the new pamphlet on foreign policy.

The Publications Chairman gave the number of local subscriptions for publications as 19.

The Unit Organization Chairman reported that Mrs. Cheyney had asked to be relieved of her duties for one month. Every unit was represented at the January briefing. The next will be held Jan. 26th at the home of Mrs. Hausman.

The Bulletin Editor-stated that the February Voter would contain all the information relating to the Annual Meeting (Nominating Committee Report, Budget, By-law changes and Proposed Local Current Agenda).

The Finance Chairman reported that \$1785 or 60% of the goal had been realized from the finance drive, with 65% of the workers having finished. There were losses of \$238.50 (cuts on old pledges) and gains of \$110.00 (new pledges) making a net loss of \$128.50 as compared with 1957. The final total will be between \$2500 and \$2600. Member contributions were \$114.50, out of a goal of \$200.

Budget. Acting for Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Lecznar presented the budget proposed for the coming year. The only change recommended by the Board (on the motion of Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mrs. Johnston) was to take \$10 from the local program item and apply it to Field Service, thereby bringing that figure to the requested 50¢ per member.

The question of dues-raising was considered and, on the motion of Mrs. Lecznar with Mrs. Passmore seconding, it was voted to put the following By-law change up to the membership at the Annual Meeting---that Art. VI, Sec. 2 be amended by substituting "five dollars (\$5)" for "three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50)"

Another By-law change was moved by Mrs. Irwin (seconded by Mrs. Willmott) ---that Art. II, Sec. 2 be amended by substituting "principles" for "platform".

In the absence of Mrs. Nolan, Mrs. Barstis presented the report of the Nominating Committee as follows-

President--Mrs. S.E. Cockrell

1st V.P. -- " Ross Irwin

2nd V.P. -- " W.R. Sinkin

Secretary-- " Victor Prassel

Directors--Mes. K.B. Ward (1yr), Francis Koch, J.E. Morsh and Robt. Hausman.

Nom. Comm.-- " W.G. Sexauer and C.E. Graham

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Program-Mrs. Johnston announced the next briefing. The topics will be:
 First Feb. Unit-Continuation of Water Item. The Johnson Report
 Second " " -Texas Constitutional Revision
 March (only one in March)-State Continuing Responsibilities

National Item I-Mrs. Davis reported that Mrs. Ericsson would assist her and they hope to work up a work-shop on foreign policy to take place in the spring (after Council and at the time Congress is considering legislation in this field).

The question of Local Current Agenda was next taken up. Since it is hoped that the city survey may soon become an actuality, Mes. Ashford and Passmore presented the following suggestion, "to produce a citizen's handbook of San Antonio directed toward better understanding of Council-Manager government".

"Extension of County Home Rule" was another suggestion.

Mrs. Cockrell was asked to call the unit leaders, urging them to get proposed items from their members.

Mes. Passmore, Cockrell and Johnston were appointed as a committee to go over proposals which may come in and put them in final form for presentation to the membership for vote at the Annual Meeting.

Meeting adjourned 12-45.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. F. Willmott

Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Sec. pro tem.

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING-LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO
was held at 12-15 on December 10, 1938 in the Walnut Room of the Hilton Hotel.

Attendance was 54, including the Att'y General, Sen. Gonzales and RBP representatives Bell, Strickland, Valence, McKay and Spears.

Mrs. Passemore, County Gov't Chairman presided and discussed the proposed County Home Rule Amendment.

Mrs. Robt. Hausman spoke on Texas Constitutional Revision.

Each of the legislators spoke briefly. Sen. Gonzales and Rep. Bell both expressed concern for the next State Budget and pointed up the need for new sources of revenue. Rep. Strickland hopes to make an effort to get a Medical School for San Antonio.

Only Sen. Gonzales and Rep. Spears directly indicated an interest in County Home Rule.

Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. John F. Willmott

Mrs. John F. Willmott, Secretary pro tem.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO was held at 10 a.m., December 10, 1958 in Parlor E of the Hilton Hotel.

Present were: Mesdames Bell, Smith, Barstis, Hausman, Cockrell, Morsh, Ashford, Johnston, Prassel, Koch, Irwin and Willmott.

It was learned that Att'y Gen. Wilson was holding hearings across the hall and, at the suggestion of Mrs. Cockrell, he was invited to be a guest of the League at the luncheon for the Legislators.

Minutes of the November Board meeting were approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance as of Nov. 12, 1958 of \$682.60, Income of \$1,282.00, Expenditures of \$201.10 and a balance as of December 12th of \$1,761.50.

Board

Mrs. Smith invited the League to make her home a regular meeting place and the January meeting will be there.

It was announced that, owing to Mrs. Lecznar's absence from the city, the meeting of the Budget Committee would be put over until the first Saturday morning of January. The Committee consists of Mes. Holden, Chr., Lecznar, Smith, Jensen and Bell.

Mrs. Bell reported that San Antonio's allotment for State and National for the coming year has been increased to \$2000 plus 50¢ per member. This year it was \$1635 plus \$100 (for field work by a National staff member).

Public Relations-Mrs. Irwin reported that she was having a conference with Mr. Ray regarding the restoration of the League's newspaper column.

Bulletin-Mrs. Morsh emphasized the importance of the deadline for the Voter.

Publications-Mrs. Barstis reported that 18 local subscriptions have been sold. This needs more personal contact but should be a success.

Finance-Mrs. Cockrell reported for Mrs. Lecznar that the total from the Finance Drive so far was \$1532 or 53% of the goal. Of 205 prospects 115 had contributed or refused. Membership contributions (from 35 members) totalled \$114.50.

Unit Groups-Mrs. Cockrell reported that the units were going well, particularly at Lackland and Jefferson night. The reporting has improved with the use of a prepared form.

Membership-Mrs. Koch gave the total as 215 after the drops in Nov. This time last year it was 235 and was 220 as of May 1st. The Unit strength is promising for membership.

Program-Mrs. Johnston reported good program interest. She said the proposed workshop on foreign policy for contributors was still uncertain. There has been a suggestion for training a speakers panel on foreign policy.

Jury-Mrs. Prassel did the November briefing and will lead the discussion at the Northeast group.

-Mrs. Hausman reported on the meeting of the Citizens Advisory

Committee on Constitutional Revision which she attended in Austin.

National Item I-Chr. was absent. The possibility of a foreign policy workshop was suggested.

National Item II-Mrs. Willmott announced that a membership luncheon on Jan. 28th would be addressed by Dr. Harold Vagtborg, Director of Southwest Research Institute on the subject of "Water-Texas number one problem".

Arrangements for the Legislator's luncheon were discussed.

Adjourned-12 o'clock

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. F. Willmott
Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Sec. pro tem
LWV of San Antonio

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at 9:30 A.M. on November 12, 1958, at the home of Mrs. Edwin deLand Smith.

Present were: Mmes Albert Barstis, John Willmott, William Lecznar, Leah Johnston, Gerald Ashford, Ross Irwin, J.J. Bell, Clifford Davis, Smith Kirby, E.D. Smith, Rufus Bell and Miss Frances Scarborough.

Minutes of the Board meeting of October 8, copies of which had previously been sent Board members, were approved as written.

Mr. Ralph Mello, of Stellina Enterprizes, spoke briefly to the Board on educating the public on civic problems. He proposed that: under the direction of Dr. McMahon, a list of government problems be prepared and given to students in civics and government classes in local colleges and universities, prizes being awarded for best papers; that this material be rewritten and printed in daily columns in all three newspapers, under the sponsorship of both city and county government; that material thus used by printed and bound for use in government classes and study groups. He proposed that the Arsenal be used as a Civic Center, stating that it could be given the City by the State, that it met requirements for the jail of both city and county, that it would save 4 million and cost less than the bond voted.

The Treasurer's report indicated Cash on hand October 12, 1958 \$809.54; Income \$443.70; Expenditures \$570.64, leaving a balance of \$682.60, November 12, 1958. Mrs. Smith requested that members be urged to notify her of change of address.

Mrs. Irwin reported plans to revive the League's newspaper column. She read a report from the Speaker's Bureau Chairman, Miss Rankin, of 7 League speakers in October and 5 already planned for November. Mrs. Irwin read Mrs. Ward's report on Voters Service: 14,000 Voters Guides distributed for the last election, for which \$62.00 was received in paid contributions. A plan for a letter to be sent as a basis for future distributions was discussed; a motion that such a letter be sent to a list approved by the committee at a cost not to exceed \$100.00, made by Mrs. J.J.Bell, seconded by Mrs. Leah Johnston, passed.

Mrs. Barstis moved that we start a yearly local subscription service on local, state and national publications, retroactive to include September, to cost \$2.00. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Lecznar and passed.

Mrs. Rufus Bell read a written report from Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., 2nd Vice-Pres.

Mrs. Lecznar gave a finance report as of Nov. 10. Acknowledgement cards were authorized. By common consent it was agreed that the finance chairman send League publications to contributors and prospective contributors when appropriate.

Mrs. Johnston gave a report on program. Briefing on the Jury item was set for 8 P.M. Nov. 24, at Mrs. Johnston's. Mrs. Davis suggested that her committee make plans for a workshop on foreign policy to be held in the spring and to include contributors. It was so agreed. Mrs. J.J.Bell and Miss Frances Scarborough made brief comments on their program items. Mrs. Willmott announced that Dr. Harold Vagtborg had agreed to speak at the membership meeting on January 24. It was agreed that the board meeting for Dec. 10 would be followed by a membership luncheon to which members of the legislature would be invited for a discussion on county home rule and TCR.

The resignation of Mrs. Boyd Ladd, secretary, was accepted with regret.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next Board meeting will be held Dec. 10, the place to be determined by luncheon arrangements.

(Signed) Maida Kirby, Secretary Pro Tem

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at 9:30 A. M. on October 8, 1958, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Lecznar.

Present were: Mmes. E. D. Smith, Clifford Davis, John Willmott, Francis Koch, Albert Barstis, B. H. Passmore, Edith Morsh, Leah Johnston, Robt. Hausman, Ross Irwin, Kenneth Ward, Rufus Bell, and Boyd Ladd.

Minutes of the Board meeting of September 10, copies of which had previously been sent Board members, were approved as written.

Mrs. Kenneth Ward, new Voters Service Chairman, was introduced by the President.

After some discussion of deadline for the local Voter, it was decided to leave this to Mrs. Morsh, Mrs. Irwin, and Mrs. Cheney. Mrs. Morsh requested Board members to bring news items to her at Board meetings whenever possible.

Mrs. Irwin asked that members making speeches to other organization for the League report each occasion to Speakers Bureau Chairman, Miss Georgia Rankin, for inclusion in the Voter.

The Treasurer's report indicated Cash on hand September 10, 1958, \$1,106.53, Income \$55.50, Expenditures \$270.68, leaving a balance of \$891.35 on October 7, 1958.

By common consent it was agreed to change the date of Annual Meeting to March 11, with unit meetings on March 4 and 18. This action was taken so that Annual Meeting would not conflict with State Presidents' Council.

Due to Mrs. Sid Cockrell's absence because of illness, her report was read by the Secretary. She announced the formation of a new unit, subject to Board approval, to be called the Northeast Group.

After some discussion, the briefing session for November 19 unit meetings was set for October 30, to be held at the home of Mrs. Passmore. Mrs. Passmore will present material for units on structure of County Government and the Home Rule Amendment.

Mrs. Lecznar went over her plans for the Finance Drive, to be held November 5 - 20, beginning with training sessions on Wednesday morning, Nov. 5, at Mrs. Sinkin's, and Thursday evening, November 6, at Mrs. Cockrell's. The Board approved her plans by common consent, and authorized her to spend whatever she deemed necessary for postage, etc., to execute them.

Mrs. Davis announced that her committee would be cooperating with other organizations on the UN Day dinner.

Mrs. Willmott asked for expressions of opinion on the emphasis her committee should give in preparing material for units on water. It was decided that the preliminary study which was done by the units last year should not be repeated, and that the December briefing would be assigned to the water program item. The Board agreed with her tentative plan to invite Dr. Harold Vagthorg of Southwest Research Institute to speak on water at the January membership meeting.

The President was authorized to appoint a Budget Chairman. Mrs. Harald Jensen's name was suggested.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next Board meeting will be held on November 12 at the home of Harriet Smith.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN Veterans was held in the Ballroom of the Student Union Bldg. at San Antonio College at noon on October 6, 1958. 42 members and guests were present.

The President called on Mrs. J. E. Williamson to open the meeting with the Invocation. Guests and new members were introduced; and the following Approval Committee for minutes was appointed by the President: Mrs. Arthur L. Majors, Mrs. Yetta Nelson, and Mrs. George Sparks.

Mrs. Ashford announced that the League had two TV programs scheduled, on KOFB-TV on October 18 and 19, on foreign policy.

Mrs. Leczner announced plans for the Finance Drive, which will be held November 5 - 20, including two training sessions on November 5 and 6.

Following luncheon, Mrs. A. A. Treuhart, National Board member from Cleveland, spoke on the United Nations and foreign policy.

After adjournment of the meeting, Mrs. Treuhart met with all those who could remain longer for a question and answer session on foreign policy, League organization problems, etc.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
was held in the home of Mrs. E. D. Smith at 9:30 A.M., Sept. 10, 1958.

Present were: Mes. J. J. Bell, Clifford Davis, Ross Irwin, Francis Koch, Lila Cockrell, Helen R. Hausman, Helen Nolan, Albert Barstis, E. D. Smith, Wm. Lecznar, John Willmott, Edith Morsh, Rufus Bell, Victor Frassel, and Boyd Ladd.

Minutes of the membership meeting of July 22, 1958, (copies of which had been sent to the Approval Committee), and of the Board meeting of July 9, 1958 (copies of which had been sent to Board members), were approved.

The Secretary read the resignation of Mrs. John Holden from the office of 2nd Vice-President. Mrs. Hausman moved the Board accept the resignation with regret. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Nolan, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the name of Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., for 2nd Vice-President. This nomination was accepted unanimously by the Board. Mrs. Nolan also presented the name of Mrs. Edward Cheney for the off-Board job of Unit Organization Chairman. Mrs. Cockrell moved the acceptance of this nomination. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Clifford Davis moved Mrs. Albert Barstis replace Mrs. Holden on the Nominating Committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Clifford Davis

Mrs. moved the Nominating Committee, in conference with the 1st Vice-President Mrs. Irwin, be empowered to make an appointment to the Voters Service position on the Board, and to invite her to the next Board meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

The Treasurer gave a quarterly report comparing expenditures and income with the budget. Total income was \$689.43, Cash on Hand April 1, 1958, \$2,017.84, less Expenditures of \$1,600.74, leaving a balance of \$1,106.53.

Mrs. Cockrell announced that the training for Unit Leaders and the briefing for October unit meetings would be held in one meeting on September 25, from 7:30 to 10:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall of the Grace Presbyterian Church. After some discussion, the Board decided to substitute Foreign Policy for City Survey as the October unit study.

In accordance with Board suggestions, the President will invite Mrs. A. A. Treuhart, National League Director, to have luncheon or evening meeting with our membership on Monday, October 6.

With no objection, the Board authorized Mrs. Davis to spend whatever she deemed necessary on UN publications for distribution to other groups.

Mrs. Koch, Membership Chairman announced that 36 had been invited to orientation meetings, and 12 had attended. She also announced a membership coffee to be held on Saturday, Sept. 27 10:00 to 12:00 A.M.

at the home of Mrs. Wm. Sinkin at 215 Crescent.

Mrs. Morsh reminded Board members that the deadline for the Voter is the 15th day of the month.

The next Board meeting was announced for Wednesday, October 8, at 9:30 A.M. at the home of Mrs. Leszmar, 110 City View Drive.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at the home of Mrs. Rufus Bell, at 8:00 P.M., on July 22, 1958. Approximately 100 members, husbands, friends, and candidates for local and State political offices were present for the watermelon party in the Bells' back yard garden.

Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., Veterans Service Chairman, introduced a number of local candidates to the group. A few candidates were unable to attend because of TV and other commitments.

The President then introduced several "Lionesses" who were attending as guests or new League members; and League members introduced their guests.

The following Approval Committee for minutes was appointed by the President: Mrs. Jas. Keegan, Mrs. Gertrude Jexrie, and Mrs. W. C. Sexauer.

Mrs. Robert Hausman presented to the group the speaker of the evening, State League President Mrs. H. W. Smith, whose topic was Texas Constitutional Revision.

The meeting was adjourned to the watermelon table.

Ellen J. Ladd

Mrs. Boyd Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at the home of Mrs. Ross Irwin at 9:30 A. M. on July 9, 1958.

Present were: Mesas. John Holden, Robt. Hausman, Albert Barstis, E.D. Smith, John Bell, John Willmott, Wm. Leczmar, Edith Morsh, Sid Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Rufus Bell, and Boyd Ladd.

Copies of the Secretary's Minutes of the June 11 Board meeting were distributed to Board members. The minutes were approved as written.

The Treasurer reported Cash on Hand June 11, 1958, of \$1,618.33, income of \$115.08, expenditures of ~~\$473.22~~ \$477.77, leaving Cash on Hand on July 9 of \$1455.64.

Voters Service Chairman Mrs. Cockrell reported that on July 20, 5:00 P.M., on Paul Thompson's program, the League was sponsoring, on KENS-TV, a panel of candidates for County Commissioner, Precincts 2 and 4. Mrs. Cockrell had the State League Voters Guides and the San Antonio Council of Churches "Voters Information Service" available for distribution. She suggested that in future years ~~the~~ the San Antonio League put out its own Voters Guide on local candidates, rather than using the one put out by the Council of Churches.

The new Speakers Bureau Chairman, Miss Georgia Rankin, was unable to be present at the meeting; however, the Board discussed possible topics and speakers to be offered by the Speakers Bureau, and it was decided to provide Miss Rankin with a list of all the Resource chairmen. After talking with them, Miss Rankin ~~will~~ know what the local League is in a position to offer in connection with speakers for other organizations.

Mrs. Leczmar, Finance Chairman, presented a proposed plan for the Finance Drive (copy attached). This plan was approved without objection by the Board. Mrs. Leczmar and Mrs. Barstis, Publications Chairman, were asked to decide on the contents of the workers' kit.

The President requested Mrs. Morsh and Mrs. Smith to decide on quantity and quality of paper to be ordered for the local Voter. Mrs. Morsh announced that the deadline on the next Voter would be August 15. This Voter is to be mailed by August 25.

The President appointed Mrs. Hausman to introduce Mrs. H. W. Smith, State League President, at the watermelon party.

In the absence of Mrs. Nolan, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, the Secretary read the report recommending Mrs. Victor Prassel as Chairman, and Mrs. Fred D. Orsburn as Co-Chairman, of the State Item II (Jury Service). Mrs. Leczmar moved the Board accept these recommendations. Motion seconded and carried.

The next Board meeting was announced for September 10 at the home of Mrs. E. D. Smith.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS was held at the home of Mrs. Ross Irwin at 9:30 A. M. on June 11, 1958.

Present were: Meses. Leah Johnston, W. G. Sexauer, E. D. Smith, John Helden, Clifford Davis, Wm. Lecznar, John Willmott, Francis Kesh, A. B. Nolan, Albert Barstis, Gerald Ashford, B. H. Passmore, Ross Irwin, Rufus Bell, and Boyd Ladd.

The President announced that the San Antonio League had been awarded a Certificate for "Originality of Program" by the San Antonio Council of Presidents at its annual Awards Dinner on the previous evening.

The Secretary read the minutes of the May 28 Membership meeting, and they were approved as read. Minutes of the Board meeting of May 24, copies of which had previously sent to Board members, were approved as written.

The Treasurer's report indicated Cash on Hand May 14 of \$1,857.17, Income of \$189.00, and Expenditures of \$227.84. Cash on Hand June 11, 1958, \$1,818.33.

Mrs. Willmott recommended we conform to State's recommendation and change the name of our Bulletin to San Antonio Voter. Motion seconded and carried.

In the absence of Mrs. Cockrell, the Secretary read the Voters Service report. In response to the questions about distribution of Voters Guides, the Finance Chairman agreed to contact Mrs. Cockrell about mailing Guides to contributors, and it was decided that Guides would go out to the membership with a special bulletin to be mailed in July before the watermelon party.

Mrs. Nolan, Nominating Committee Chairman, presented the name of Miss Georgia Hankin, 268 East Rosewood, Pe5-5193, for Speakers Bureau Chairman. This nomination was accepted by common consent.

With respect to the Board position for the Jury item, Mrs. Nolan stated that her Committee would have a recommendation in the fall. Until that time, Mrs. Nolan agreed to act in the position - specifically to attend the Jury Wheel drawing scheduled to take place between Aug. 1 and 15.

After considerable discussion about the Calendar, it was agreed to leave the final form to the Calendar Committee.

The July 9 Board meeting is to be held at the home of Virginia Irwin.

Ellen J. Ladd
Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO LEAGUE OF WOMEN Voters was held at the Jefferson Methodist Church at noon on May 28, 1958. Approximately 60 members and guests were present.

The President called the meeting to order, and Mrs. Archie Reeves gave the invocation.

The following Approval Committee was appointed by the President: Mrs. Hugh Breland, Mrs. Keith Rodgers, and Mrs. Victor Brassel.

Copies of the Treasurer's Annual Report were distributed to members. The Secretary read the Auditing Committee's report, and Mrs. Wm. Von Phul moved that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Summaries of the State and National conventions were given by Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., and Mrs. John Willmetts, respectively. Brief remarks were also made by the following delegates to State convention: Meses. Clifford Davis, Wame Hallmark, Albert Barstis, Francis Koch, Gerald Ashford, Robt. Ladd. The President, Mrs. Bell, told a few highlights of both State and National conventions.

Mrs. Clifford Davis explained the National Call for Action in connection with the renewal of the Trade Agreements Act, and on the State level, Mrs. Leah Johnston, speaking for Mrs. Robt. Hausman, called attention to a resolution to be presented in precincts for appropriation of funds for the Legislative Council by the State Legislature.

Mrs. Cockrell announced that there would be a panel on TV Channel 4 on June 7 at 4:00 P.M. on the jail bonds, sponsored by the League and moderated by Mrs. Cockrell.

The meeting was adjourned.

Ellen J. Ladd

Ellen J. Ladd, Secretary

The 1959 Annual Meeting of the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO was held at 7:30 p.m. on March 10th at the Central Christian Church with President Bell presiding. Mmes. Reed, Carhart and O'Hair were appointed as a committee to approve the minutes.

Annual Reports were presented by the officers and board members. A condensation of these will appear in the next Voter. Several committee chairmen were cited for their excellent work (Mmes. Reed, Cheney, Beretta, Sexauer and Hallmark) and our State Board member, Mrs. Ashford, was presented. An orchid corsage was given Mrs. Bell by Mrs. Cockrell as a token of the appreciation of the Board.

Revision of the By-Laws

It was moved by Mrs. Lecznar (seconded by Mrs. Passmore) that Art. II, Sec. 2 be amended by substituting the word "principles" for "platform". Carried. It was also moved by Mrs. Lecznar (seconded by Mrs. Holden) that Art. VI, Sec. 2-Dues-be amended by striking out "Three Dollars and Fifty cents (\$3.50)" and substituting "Five Dollars (\$5.00)". After considerable discussion it was so voted.

Budget

Mrs. Holden moved that the Budget presented in the Voter be accepted with the changes which would come about with the increase in dues-

Dues item of revenue would be \$1250 instead of \$875

Member contributions would be \$ 200 " " \$400

Non-member " " " 2690 " " \$2865

Seconded by Mrs. Jourdin and carried.

Local Current Agenda

The passage of the proposed Local Current Agenda was moved by Mrs. Johnston and seconded by Mrs. Hallmark. Mrs. Passmore moved that the item 2b be amended by substituting "Support of legislation leading to a workable Home Rule Amendment" and placing the proposed 2B on Local Continuing Responsibilities. Seconded by Mrs. Sexauer and carried as amended.

Mrs. Scott (seconded by Mrs. Passmore) moved to adopt the following items as Local Continuing Responsibilities-

1. Continued support of the Council-Manager form of government.

2. Promotion of long-term budgeting procedures.

This was passed.

Mrs. Passmore spoke regarding the work needed for the proposed County Home Rule Amendment and asked members to alert organizations to which they belong and try to get dates for speakers on the subject. She also mentioned the need for a group to attend the hearing on the amendment.

President Bell reminded members that the manager form of government may be an important issue in the forthcoming city election.

The resignation of Miss Frances Scarborough as City Survey Chairman was presented and (on the motion of Mrs. Johnston and second of Mrs. Barstis) was accepted with regret.

Election of Officers

Mrs. Barstis presented the report of the Nominating Committee and it was voted that the report be accepted and all officers elected unanimously. The new officers are:

President	Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr.
1st Vice President	Mrs. Ross Irwin
2nd " "	Mrs. W. B. Sinkin
Secretary	Mrs. V. Prassel
Directors	Mmes. K. Ward, F. Koch, J. Morsh and R. Hausman
Nominating Committee	Mmes. F. Orsburn(Chr.), W. Sexauer & C. E. Graham

Mrs. Cockrell announced the Board Training session on March 12th.

Mrs. Bell reminded the membership of the President's Council at Austin March 17 & 18. Delegates are Mmes. Cockrell and Hausman and Observers are Mmes. Barstis, Johnston, Betty Ward, Terry, Bottenberg, Koch and O'Hair.

A rising vote of thanks was given out-going President Bell who graciously responded and turned the gavel over to her successor. In accepting Mrs. Cockrell urged members to continue their high degree of interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Sec. pro tem

BOARD NOTICE

To: BOARD MEMBERS AND OFF BOARD CHAIRMEN

From: LILA COCKRELL

RE: APRIL BOARD MEETING

The April Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 8th at the home of Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr., 2155 W. Summit, at 9:30 A.M. Please arrive on time and plan to stay for the entire meeting.

A Board Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at 10:15 A.M. in Mammy's Cafeteria on March 12, 1959. The purpose of this meeting was to train new Board members.

Present were: Mmes. S.E.Cockrell, Jr., Albert Barstis, Wm. Lecznar, Robert Hausman, Kenneth Ward, Ross Irwin, Charles Erickson, Jr., Wm. Holman, Joseph Morsh, Rufus Bell, Leah Johnston, Fay Sinkin, Hazel Koch, and George Sparks. Guests were Mmes. Clayton Scott, Juliette Brockhausen and Mrs. Clifford Davis.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Cockrell who introduced Miss Christine Urban, Program Organization Secretary of the National League of Women Voters, and Mrs. Betty Pettis, State Field Organization Chairman. Mrs. Ruud, President of Austin League was called upon to introduce Mmes. Boyd, Reed and Lebowitz of the Austin League who accompanied her to the meeting.

The minutes of the Board meeting held on March 10, 1959 were read by Mrs. Barstis. They were approved and placed on file.

Mrs. Irwin suggested an outline of action to be taken by the League for city election. Under consideration was the type of Voters Service to use for the city election, and if the League had sufficient time to fill that request, it was then suggested that they might hold a candidates meeting in the N.E. School District.

Mrs. Pettis discussed the methods used to endorse Council-Manager Government without jeopardizing the Leagues' non-partisanship. Explained then was the difference between Voters Service and Program. Mrs. Sinkin moved that the League endorse a candidates meeting for Place ONE if TV time is available. Following discussion the motion carried.

Mrs. Bell moved that the League conduct a campaign of education, using any channels available, on the principles of council management, exercising all possible discretion to protect the League from charges of partisanship. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Cockrell turned the meeting over to Miss Urban who planned to teach those present to be better Board members.

After a lunch period the meeting was resumed, with Mrs. Irwin presiding.

Discussion on a candidates meeting for the North East Independent School District was opened. It was pointed out that the Alamo School District had a candidates meeting conducted by the League several years ago. Mrs. Lecznar suggested that Voters Service work would give the League good publicity outside the city. Mrs. Sinkin moved that the League be authorized to hold a candidates meeting in the N.E. School District. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar announced that all Finance Drive cards should be returned by March 25, 1959.

The next Board meeting will be held on April 8, 1959.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Volker Sparks
Secretary pro tem

BOARD NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters will meet on Wednesday, May 13th at the home of Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith, 3606 Avenue B. Coffee will be served at 9:30 A.M., and the meeting will be called to order promptly at 10:00 A.M. Every Board member is expected to be present, and to stay through the entire meeting.

If some emergency will prevent your attendance, please call Lila Cockrell, PE 3-1374, prior to the meeting.

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., 2155 W. Summit, at 9:30 A.M. on April 8, 1959.

Board members present were Mmes. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Wm. R. Sinkin, Leah Johnston, Edwin D. Smith, Victor Prassel, Joseph E. Morsh, Francis Koch, Wm. Holman, Wm. Lecznar, Gerge Sparks, Charles A. Erickson, Jr., B.H. Passmore, Rufus D. Bell, and Off-Board Chm. Mrs. John E. O'Hair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported a cash balance of \$1,763.32 on hand. This report was placed on file with the Secretary.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, reported difficulties in getting League articles printed on schedule. She has submitted two articles to Mr. Ed Ray, Editor of the Express-News which have not as yet appeared. She reported that the proposed LWV Candidates Meeting in the Northeast School District was cancelled when it was learned that another candidates meeting has already been scheduled. On Saturday, April 4th, on KENS-TV, a 30 minute candidates meeting for Place 1 of the City Council was presented by the League, moderated by Mrs. Gerald Ashford.

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Morsh, requested that in the absence of a Speakers Bureau Chm., that League speakers are requested to turn in speaking dates to her for inclusion in the bulletin. Deadline for the Bulletin is the 15th of each month.

Voters Service Chairman, Mrs. Ward, was commended on her work on the TV candidates meeting. In her absence, Mrs. Irwin suggested that the League should maintain a public relations file on all candidates who file for public office.

Publications were distributed to Board Members by Mrs. Smith, in the absence of Mrs. Barstis. A sample copy was shown the Board of a reprint of the Declaration of Independence, a large number of copies of which had been made available to the League by the American National Insurance Co. By the consent of the Board, it was agreed that these would be distributed through the units, and at the next General Membership meeting.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin, reported that she and the President were having individual conferences with Board members working in the organizational field: Unit Chm., Membership, and Finance.

Finance Chm., Mrs. Lecznar, asked that all Board members be "prospect conscious", and report to her names of good prospects for LWV contributors. She reported that \$2,078.00 of the goal of \$2,905.00 has been collected in the Non-Member campaign. The books are being held open a little longer on the drive. Mrs. Lecznar moved that the remaining cards be worked by April 15th, and that the drive be closed then.

The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Irwin moved that the Chm. of Voters Service and the Finance Chm. explore the possibility of League members serving as Poll Tax Deputies, and fees gained supplementing League finances. The motion was seconded and carried.

Membership Chm., Mrs. Koch, reported 230 members. Mrs. Koch moved that a committee be appointed to draw up a local membership tool, to be presented for approval at the next Board meeting. The motion was seconded and carried. The president appointed the following to be on the committee: Mrs. Sinkin, Chm., Mrs. Koch, Mrs. Bell, and Mrs. Irwin.

Unit Organization Chm., Mrs. Holman, reported that the briefing held last month was most successful, with about 20 leaders and unit representatives present. The next briefing will be held on Monday, April 20, at the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., at 7:45 P.M.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Johnston, reported that a meeting of board members in the program field had been held, with Mrs. Cockrell giving new Board members orientation on program. The program material for the next briefing will be prepared by Mrs. Orsburn, covering the publication on the life of Carrie Chapman Catt, and League program history. The General Membership Meeting will be held on May 20th, on the topic "You Can Be the Life of the Party". One or two speakers will be invited from each of the major political parties to discuss organizational techniques in the parties.

Foreign Policy Chm., Mrs. Erickson, reported that on March 20th a telegram was sent to Rep. Paul Kilday requesting that he support the 225 million dollar appropriation for foreign aid for the 1959 fiscal budget. On April 3rd, letters were sent to Senators Johnson and Yarbrough urging that the full amount be approved. The April unit meetings will be discussing foreign policy.

Council Manager Govt. Chm., Mrs. Bell, asked that clarification be given to the announcement in the bulletin that she was in charge of the city survey. It was pointed out that Mrs. Bell had agreed to be the representative at City Hall, including organizing a group of observers and keeping the League informed on developments and status of Council Manager government, and that someone else will complete the handbook.

County Chm., Mrs. Passmore, reported on work of the Bexar County Home Rule Assn., of which she is the Chm., and League participation in the group backing HJR 45, a proposed Constitutional Amendment providing permission for Home Rule for Bexar Co. There are now at least 30 LWV members working on various committees: telephoning to line up speaking dates with clubs, doing secretarial work, serving as speakers, etc. The Home Rule Assn. has 65 speaking engagements in a month's time. Six LWV speakers are helping to fill these dates. Mrs. Passmore mentioned the contribution of the Chamber of Commerce in providing secretarial help, supplies, office space, and other material help. Mrs. Bell moved that the LWV pay the cost of printing 2000 handbills on County Home Rule which were prepared by Mrs. Passmore. The motion was seconded and carried. (Cost: about \$33.00)

The President announced that an office would be maintained in a room in her garage to be staffed every Friday from 10:00 to 2:00 by volunteer helpers. Mrs. Koch moved that the League pay the cost of installation and monthly service charge of an extension telephone for the office. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting was adjourned by 12:00 noon.

A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the Old Heidelberg Restaurant at 12-15 on Wednesday, May 20th, 1959 with 65 members and guests in attendance.

President Cockrell presided and gave the invocation.

Material, both pro and con, on public housing was at the places with a view to the coming referendum.

Copies of the Declaration of Independence were also distributed (made available by the American Nat'l Life Insurance Co.).

The minutes of the last meeting were reported to have been approved by committee.

The new Legislative Guide was presented and it was announced that 3000 had been ordered and would be used by the Speakers Bureau. It will also be distributed by the Welcome Wagon.

A number of guests and prospective members were introduced as were Board members and those who had served on the luncheon committee.

Mrs. Jourdin, Reeves and Cheyney were appointed a minutes committee.

A call for action re Home Rule for the District of Columbia was presented by Mrs. Willmott, Chr. of Nat'l Continuing Responsibilities.

The program "The Life of the Party" was coordinated by Mrs. Johnston, 2nd Vice Pres. Mrs. Ike Kammann, Vice Chr. of the State Executive Committee of the Republican Party and one of the three southern members of the Republican Committee for Program and Progress talked for the Republicans. Mrs. R. I. Sherrod, State Executive Committee-woman from this Senatorial district represented the Democrats. They stressed the structure and operation of the parties rather than going into political philosophy and explained how people might become active in the party of their choice.

Adjourned 2-20.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. F. Willmott

Mrs. J. F. Willmott, Dec pro tem.

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the League
of Women Voters of San Antonio, Texas.

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Ross Irwin, [REDACTED], at 10 A.M. on June 10, 1959.

Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Wm. R. Sinkin, Leah Johnston, Victor Prassel, Joseph E. Morsh, Albert Barstis, Francis Koch, Wm. B. Lecznar, Wm. R. Holden, Robert Hausman, Samuel Prime, and Off-Board Chairman Mrs. John F. Willmott.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith sent her report. Balance on hand June 10, 1959, \$1,715.00.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, announced that Mrs. Melvin Sisk was the new Speakers Bureau Chairman.

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Morsh requested that all news and information be sent her by the 15th of August.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis, distributed publications to the members. Mrs. Barstis moved to increase the cost of the local subscription service from \$2.00 to \$2.50 for the coming year. Motion seconded and carried.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin called for reports of the directors working with her.

Finance, Mrs. Lecznar announced that a finance advisory committee was being set up and to consist of various prominent men in the community. She further announced that letters would be sent to these men inviting them to meet with some of the League members at a luncheon meeting on June 25th in the Ming Room of the Menger Hotel. Mrs. Sinkin moved that the League pay for the luncheon tickets of the men who would attend the luncheon. Motion seconded and carried.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported a complete comprehensive membership file with members preference of League activity. Anyone in need of committee help, please contact her.

Unit Organization, Mrs. Holman reported on those answering the questionnaire about the formation of a new Northeast night unit. It was suggested that Mrs. Holman call those not responding to the questionnaire cards and make a recommendation at the next Board Meeting.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Johnston presented the proposed local Calender for the year 1959-1960. She suggested a night membership meeting in July and invite Senator Gonzales and the Legislators and have them report to us happenings in Austin. The place and date will be announced later. She also proposed that the League participate in the community observance of United Nations Week. Mrs. Koch moved that we participate in the joint observance of the United Nations to the extent of \$10.00 with the understanding we distribute our literature and that the League and other participating organizations have recognition at the luncheon. Motion seconded and lost. Mrs. Irwin moved that our activity in United Nations week be channeled in T.V. and luncheon groups with the distribution of materials. Motion seconded and carried.

It was agreed that we have a board meeting in July, but omit the meeting in August.

Off-Board Chairman, Mrs. John F. Willmott reported a letter received from the National League answering our request for information about the Supreme Court Ruling where a health inspector could search a home without a search warrant. National League stated that they have no materials on this and the League can do nothing except encourage people to comment. She also gave a very comprehensive and instructive resume of the National Board report.

The President, distributed Policy Sheets and asked they be read and any changes desired be brought to the next Board Meeting. Since the League had been unable to recruit a Chairman for the City Hand Book, the President divided the material in sections and has secured about twenty(20) women to help gather and write the material with the deadline on August 15th for the material to be ready. A committee of three, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Ashmore, and Mrs. Passmore would edit the material. She also thanked Mrs. Koch for the arrangements for the General Membership Luncheon.

Meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Eda Prassel
Eda Prassel, secretary

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BOARD NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio will meet on Wednesday, June 10, 1959 at 9:30 A.M. at the home of Virginia Irwin, [REDACTED]. Coffee will be served from 9:30-10:00 and the meeting called to order at 10:00. Remember it is your responsibility to attend.

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, [REDACTED] B, at 10 A.M. on May 13, 1959.

Board members present were: Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Mrs. Ross Irwin, Mrs. Wm. R. Sinkin, Edwin D. Smith, Victor Prassel, Joseph E. Morsh, Wm. Holman, Wm. Lecznar, Albert Barstis and Off-Board Chairman, Mrs. John E. O'Hair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported a cash balance \$1,902.07. This report was placed on file with the secretary.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, announced that she was planning to contact Mr. Ray of the Express-News and also perhaps the Light about running an article pro and con on the Public Housing referendum of May 30.

It was proposed that copies of the publication on Carrie Chapman Catt be presented to the two speakers at the General Membership meeting.

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Morsh, announced the bulletin will not be published during the summer months unless something very important occurs.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis. Publications were distributed to the members.

Second Vice President, Mrs. Sinkin, presented sample copies of the membership tool for approval by the Board. This included a membership blank, list of elected officials - city, county, state and U.S. Senators and Representative. The cost would be \$31.40 for 2000 of these League tools or Legislative Guides. Mrs. Sinkin moved that 2000 of these Legislative Guides in yellow be purchased at the price of \$31.40. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Sinkin also announced that Mrs. Roberts of the Welcome Wagon would like free literature to be distributed to newcomers. It was agreed that new membership tool be given to Mrs. Roberts to be distributed.

Unit Organization Chairman, Mrs. Holman, moved that we organize a new Northeast night unit subject to a favorable return on questionnaire cards sent out. Motion seconded and carried.

Finance Chairman, Mrs. Lecznar, announced that \$2,183.00 of the goal \$2,905.00 has been collected and more is expected to be collected this week.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that the 1958-59 finance drive be closed as of May 20th and any money received as a contribution after the 20th be credited to next year's drive. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar reported a bill in the Legislature which might cloud the possibility of volunteer organizations selling poll taxes. It was agreed to wait until the Legislature was over and then contact Mr. Russell to ascertain the status of this bill.

Mrs. Cockrell states that the Houston League has had great success in supplementing their finances by selling poll taxes.

Mrs. Holman announced there would be a leadership training program for unit leaders in the fall. Mrs. Erickson will be the leader.

Third Vice President, Mrs. Johnston. In the absence of Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Cockrell announced a meeting of all members in the program field, as well as unit chairman, membership chairman and any vice presidents. This meeting will be on June 3rd at 10 A.M. in the home of Mrs. Johnston for the purpose of drawing up a proposed calendar for the year. This is to be presented to the Board on June 10th.

Council Manager Government Chairman, Mrs. Bell, who was out of town sent word that she was going to do a thorough research into the background of Council-Manager Government and bring any constructive criticism to the attention of Council members.

Mrs. Cockrell announced that Mrs. Passmore could not be editor of the city handbook and that someone else would be appointed.

County, Mrs. Passmore. In the absence of Mrs. Passmore, Mrs. Irwin reported that the County Home Rule for this session of the Legislature was dead.

Off-Board Chairman, Mrs. O'Hair, read newspaper clippings about a ruling of the Supreme Court 5-4 that a Health Inspector may search your home without a warrant. She stated this practically nullifies the 4th Amendment of the United States - which she read.

Mrs. Irwin moved that we direct Mrs. Willmot, National Continuing Responsibilities Chairman, to write the National League that our local League is very concerned about this ruling asking for any information they have on this. Also, write to Supreme Court asking for a copy of the statement accompanying the ruling. Motion seconded and carried.

It was announced that House Bill HCR 86, the study of the election code, passed the House Wednesday. Members were urged to write their senator.

Mrs. Irwin moved we have an additional 1000 copies of the Legislative Guide printed at an additional price of \$6.00. Motion seconded and carried.

The President asked for volunteers for the League office. There is one volunteer worker for each Friday. Another is needed.

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Eda Prassel, Secretary

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio, Texas

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED] at 10 A. M. on July 8, 1959.

Board members present were Meses: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., R. D. Bell, Wm. Sinkin, Leah Johnston, Francis Koch, Wm. Lecznar, Kenneth Ward, Robert Hausman, Albert Barstis, Edwin D. Smith, and George Sparks.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with the following changes: the name Wm. R. Holden changed to Wm. R. Holman; and in the report of the Finance Chairman, Mrs. Lecznar, wherever the word "announced" appears, to be changed to "proposed".

Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a cash balance as of July 8, 1959, \$1,735.90.

Finance Chairman, Mrs. Lecznar reported that she considered the luncheon meeting held June 25 to set up a finance advisory committee, quite successful. Many helpful suggestions were received. The following finance plan for 1959-1960 was proposed:

1. Enlarge the mailing list to at least 1000 names. Send mailing in the fall soliciting contributions by return mail. Enclose addressed envelope with mail permit. Make appeal more attractive — brief, illustrated, not necessarily in letter form. Might enclose Legislative guide.
2. Plan publicity. Especially just before and during time letters go out. Ask Ellis Shapiro for advice on public relations — publicity for League activities during fall, form of appeal for contributions, etc.
3. Set aside two weeks in February for personal calls, List to be called on to be determined from results of fall mailing.
4. Use units as basis for recruiting, etc., workers. Begin as soon as units are organized in fall by making it mandatory for each unit to have a unit finance chairman.

Mrs. Hausman moved that the proposed plan be accepted. Mrs. Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Unit Organization, Mrs. Cockrell reported for Mrs. Holman that no final report in regard to the organization of a new night unit will be made until further contact can be made with prospective members of such a unit. The September bulletin will carry an invitation to all interested prospects.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported that a general membership meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. D. Bell on the evening of July 30, 1959. Notices to members will be mailed in the near future. Mrs. Lecznar moved that the membership committee be authorized to choose the type of invitation it considers most appropriate for the September general membership meeting. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Koch also announced that new questionnaires have been prepared which will give the membership chairman clearer information pertaining to each member.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Johnston presented the proposed local calendar for 1959-1960 based on the proposal that there be one unit meeting and one general meeting per month. She moved that the proposed calendar be adopted, subject to necessary revisions as the year progresses. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bell, and carried. Mrs. Johnston reported that letters have gone out to the Legislators inviting them to attend the July 30 general meeting, and inviting each one to speak briefly on his particular interest. State Attorney General Will Wilson has been invited to speak at the September 17 general meeting. The meeting will be followed by a reception honoring new members.

Water, Mrs. Sparks had no report on water but proposed that the minutes of Board Meetings be made available to the units. Mrs. Sinkin moved that copies of Board minutes be sent to the leader of each unit, at the discretion of the president. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bell. Motion made by Mrs. Lecznar that the motion be tabled until the next Board Meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Koch. Motion lost by show of hands. Original motion carried.

City-Council -Manager Chairman, Mrs. Bell announced that an information sheet on Council-Manager government is to be prepared and given to the general membership.

Policy Sheet, Any suggested changes in the Policy Sheet are to be submitted to the president in writing so that they may be considered at the September board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys P. Barstis
Secretary pro tem.

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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 1959

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, [REDACTED] at 10 A.M. on September 9, 1959.

Board members present were: Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Mrs. Ross Irwin, Mrs. Wm. R. Sinkin, Edwin D. Smith, Joseph E. Morsh, Wm. Lecznar, Albert Barstis, Chas. A. Erickson, Jr., Robert Hausman, Francis Koch, Rufus D. Bell, Wm. R. Holman and Off-Board Chairman, Mrs. John E. O'Hair. Also present was League member, Mrs. James M. Gillespie.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported a cash balance of \$1,111.07. This report was placed on file with the secretary.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, announced that she had arranged for stories on the Will Wilson talk scheduled for the 17th of September to be covered by Sunday Editions. She stated that Maggie Lang, T V Chairman, was making arrangements for the television coverage of the speech. Mrs. Irwin said that the Speakers Bureau needed more speakers and topics of general interest, especially, speakers on Jury Service. At present, Mrs. Melvin Sisk, Chairman of the Speakers Bureau, is preparing letters listing the speakers available and the topics they are prepared to speak on. These letters will go to community organizations throughout the city.

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Morsh, urged that unit meeting places and dates be planned at least two months in advance so that the information can be sent to her ahead of the bulletin dead line of the 15th of each month.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis, announced that some 80 league members have signed up for the Publications Subscription Service with 27 of these having already sent their fee of \$2.50.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin, stated that plans were being completed for the September 17th meeting which will have as its speaker Attorney General Will Wilson with Mrs. Koch in charge of arrangements.

Membership Chairman, Mrs. Koch, described in detail the Ruth Taylor Hall at Trinity University which is to be the meeting place for the first fall membership meeting featuring the Attorney General of Texas. She stressed that Board members were to act as hostesses for the evening. Mrs. Gillespie, Refreshment Chairman, told of plans that are being made for the table decorations and refreshments. Mrs. Cockrell, president, stated that the Board owed Mrs. Koch and Mrs. Gillespie a vote of thanks for their untiring efforts in making all the preparations for entertaining the League and its guests at what is expected to be one of the outstanding events of the year for the San Antonio League of Women Voters.

Unit Organization Chairman, Mrs. Holman, reported on the extremely successful Unit Leadership Workshop which was under the direction of Mrs. Charles Erickson. This program was held on September 3rd in Mrs.

Erickson's home and proved to be one of the best meetings of its kind to come along in some while. All who attended have declared their sense of satisfaction in knowledge gained in leadership and group participation methods. Mrs. Holman also stated that a leader had been chosen for the Northeast night Unit which is now being formed. This group has made plans to meet in Mrs. Dorothy Huntress's home. There are ten members in this newest League Unit.

Finance Chairman, Mrs. Lecnazar, is drawing up a list of some 1000 names which she will use as prospective contributors during the Finance Drive. She will have a letter going out to these people in late October but will defer person to person contacts until January. She stated that if a 10 to 15% return in contributions is reached by the letters alone, she will feel that the Finance Drive will have been a success. The choice of October for the mailing was to gain some effect from the September 17th meeting.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Leah Johnston, was out of town.

Foreign Policy Chairman, Mrs. Erickson, met with her committee on the 8th of September. It was decided that two members would do the briefing on the 28th and the other members will take care of the November 4th Unit Meeting which will deal with foreign policy. This committee suggested two projects: (1) A column in the Sunday papers twice a month on suggested reading lists on Foreign policy. Mrs. Irwin is to look into the possibility of newspaper space for this idea. (2) A Foreign Policy Dinner in the spring to which League members, guests, and possibly other interested peoples. At such a dinner either a guest speaker or a panel discussion on Foreign Policy might be featured. These suggested projects were deferred for action until Leah Johnston could be consulted on correlating such events with the Calendar year for the League.

State Constitutional Revision Chairman, Mrs. Hausman, showed the pamphlet which will be used at the September meetings. She pointed out that money had been appropriated by the 56th Legislature for the constitutional revision research by the Texas Legislative Council. The total appropriated to the council was \$50,000.

Council Manager Government Chairman, Mrs. Bell, who is serving on the Charter Revision Commission, reported on her activities. She felt that all the members of the Commission should receive the National publication entitled LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT and the local publication which was prepared in 1951 entitled SUMMARY OF ESSENTIALS OF COUNCIL-MANAGER CHARTER. Not only the commission needed these two publications but also all league members, the city council, and all the heads of city government should be re-educated in Council-Manager form of government. Mrs. Bell moved that the League order 250 copies of the national publication at 5¢ per copy to be sent to all the members of the Commission, city government, and league members. Hazel Koch seconded and the motion was carried. Mrs. Bell also made a motion that the League reprint the local publication which should go out to the same group as the national statement does with an accompanying letter from the president explaining present League position. This, seconded by Mrs. Hausman, was carried. Fay Sinkin stated that a copy of this publication could be sent with the October Bulletin.

The President, Mrs. Cockrell, spoke of the welcoming letter from the Victoria League announcing the Area Conference to be held there on the 22nd of September at 10 A.M. until 3 P.M. Several members of the Board announced their plans for attending this conference, which is to have as its subject Program Making.

Two resignations were accepted with regret by the Board. These were Helen Prime, Jury Service Chairman, and Maggie War, Voters Service Chairman. These vacancies will be filled by the Nominating Committee which is headed by Mrs. Fred Orsburn.

The City Survey is now being brought together by the members who are preparing various chapters. As the chapters come into the League office, five copies of each are being typed so that the editors can each have a copy. It is hoped that publication will be started in November with final copies coming out in January.

After Fay Sinkin was named co-hostess for the October Board Meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Holman, Acting Secretary
In the absence of Eda Prassel.

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith [REDACTED], at 10 A.M., on October 19, 1959.

The president called the meeting to order. She announced the resignation of Mrs. Joseph E. Morsch, Bulletin Editor. Mrs. Barstis moved that we accept her resignation with regret. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Fred Orsburn, Chairman of the nominating committee recommended the following names for filling the Board vacancies: Voters Service, Mrs. Ben Benson; Bulletin, Mrs. R. E. Thatcher; and Mrs. John F. Willmott, National Continuing Responsibilities. Motion seconded and carried.

Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Chas A. Erickson, Rufus Bell, R. E. Thatcher, Albert Barstis, Ben Benson, Francis Koch, Wm. R. Lecznar, John F. Willmott, and Off-Board Chairman, Mrs. John E. O'Hair, Fred Orsburn, State Board member Mrs. Gerald Ashford, and National Staff member Miss Christine Urban.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a cash balance of \$1,067.30. The report was placed on file.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, reported that she with Mrs. Sinkin and Mrs. Cockrell went to see Mr. Allison of the Light paper concerning space for Council Manager Government. She later saw Mr. Riddell of the Express-News about space for the LW.V., point of view on Council Manager Government. Mr. Riddell requested copies on special issues as they arose. Mrs. Irwin also left U. N. pamphlets at the San Antonio Light, Express-News, and the Alamo Heights News. Mrs. Irwin passed along a suggestion that the League write a letter to the San Antonio Light commending them on the article "Rural Control."

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Thatcher had no report.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis announced 80 people signed the subscription service and 50 had already paid. In connection with publications, Mrs. Irwin brought to the Board's attention the figure of \$45.00 estimated on the printing of a new directory of County Officials to be inserted in left over County Hand Books. Mrs. Koch moved that we spend \$45.00 for the directory. Motion lost for want of a second.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson stated that she would work closely with Mrs. Ward, the former Voters Service Chairman. Mrs. Barstis suggested wessend Voters Service material to prospective contributors.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin was out of town.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported two new members on the membership committee, Mrs. Harry F. Patterson, meeting places, and Miss Yetta Nelson, membership-unit liason, and that we now have 240 members. She also announced that the general membership meeting for November would be on Wednesday, the 18th, at the Landa Library at 10 A.M. Coffee will be served.

Finance, Mrs. Lecznar moved that the Board authorize the Finance Committee to exceed the budget to the extent of \$90.00. Motion seconded and carried

Unit Organization, In the absence of Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Cockrell stated that we now have eight units including the new Northeast night unit.

Third Vice-President, Leah Johnston was absent and in her absence, Mrs. Cockrell reported on the District Conference in Victoria. She stated that seven from San Antonio had attended, and the techniques observed there would be used at the joint unit meeting in November. Also the next meeting would be a joint meeting of the

day groups at 10 A. M. on October 26, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Sinkin, who will also be the leader. A joint meeting of the night groups will be held on October 29, at the Grace Presbyterian Church with the leader Mrs. Gerald Ashford.

National Foreign Policy, Mrs. Chas A. Erickson reported a briefing on October 19th at the home of Mrs. Cockrell instead of at the home of Mrs. Holman who is ill. The briefing material has been prepared in the form of question and answers. The plans for the suggested Foreign Policy reading list for the newspapers had to be dropped temporarily because the committee was not able to enlist enough help to carry it through. Also there is nothing new on the foreign policy dinner.

State Constitutional Revision, In the absence of Mrs. Hausman, Mrs. Cockrell read a letter from the Community Welfare Council asking that we name a delegate or observer to a luncheon on October 22, Thursday, on Health, Education, Family, and Children, and Aged. It was asked that Mrs. O'Hair attend this luncheon as an observer on Family and Children. Mrs. Ashford, State Board Member, asked that Jury Service not be omitted from the Board.

County Home Rule, Mrs. Passmore was absent. Mrs. Cockrell reported that Mrs. Passmore had called a meeting of the steering committee of the Bexar County Home Rule Committee, and there were six at the meeting. It was the consensus of opinion that Local Home Rule would try again and would try to get it on the current agenda on the state level.

Council Manager Government Chairman, Mrs. Bell cited the need for more people to observe at the City Council meetings. She also cited the need for education on Council Manager Government for League members and the general public.

National Continuing Responsibility, Mrs. Willmott summarized the material in the recent National Board report concerning progress in the field on Continuing Responsibilities.

The President passed out kits on program procedure. She proposed we use the method as demonstrated in Victoria on National and State items. It will consist of one minute talks to propose the items, then a vote to pick three items, then have buzz sessions on these and state the item. She also announced that the Light paper had a series of luncheons of "DO" clubs and that she would attend. Also an invitation from the San Antonio Press Club for the Grid Iron Show, and that she will be in the receiving line of the Baptist Memorial Tea.

The meeting adjourned at noon, for lunch.

After lunch, informal discussions were held with Miss Urban with Board members asking questions relating to their fields.

Ella Prassel
Ella Prassel, secretary

MINUTES OF THE BOARD, NOVEMBER 9, 1959

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., at 303 Mary Louise Dr., at 10 A. M. on November 9, 1959.

Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Wm R. Sinkin, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Chas A. Erickson, Robert Hausman, Rufus Bell, R. E. Thatcher, Albert Barstis, Ben Benson, Francis Koch, Wm. B. Lecznar, John E. O'Hair, and State Board member Mrs. Gerald Ashford.

Mrs. Cockrell, president, announced the resignation of Mrs. George Sparks. Mrs. Sinkin moved that we accept her resignation with regret. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Sinkin moved that Mrs. John E. O'Hair be elected to the board, her portfolio being State Continuing Responsibilities and Jury Service. Motion seconded and carried.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a cash balance of \$571.13. The report was placed on file.

The First-Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin stated that she was preparing an article for the papers on our next general meeting, and that she was working with Mrs. Lecznar on the finance drive.

Bulletin, Mrs. Thatcher requested articles for the bulletin.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis distributed League materials to the Board members. She reported 66 paid members.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson reported she would contact merchants to offer them Voters Keys if they wished to order them.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin called for reports of the directors working with her.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported that as of October 23rd, there are now 188 members in the League. It was suggested notices of the unit meetings be put in the newspapers under the "Club Calender."

Finance, Mrs. Lecznar reported on the plan to have the local merchants mention the League of Women Voters along with their advertisements.

Unit Organization, In the absence of Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Cockrell announced that the new night unit was picking up in membership and enthusiasm.

Third Vice-President, Leah Johnston had illness in her family and in her absence, Mrs. Cockrell reported on the recommendations of the subjects on Program Making on the National and State current agenda received from joint Unit Meetings of the League. Mrs. Sinkin moved we make a study of the economic relationship existing between the United States and other countries of the world with continued support of world trade and economic development. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Sinkin moved that the rest of the five items on program making on the National current agenda be sent in for informational purposes. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Benson moved that the study of Federal Aid to Education be put on the agenda. Motion seconded and lost. Mrs. O'Hair moved that a study of Government subsidies, their origin, purpose, scope, and present and future effect on the total economy be put on the agenda. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell reported that both the day and night groups recommended Water be placed on the Continuing Responsibility list. Mrs. Lecznar moved the Water Resources Item be included in the Continuing Responsibilities. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar moved the support of United Nations be added to the list of Continuing Responsibilities. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar moved the support of a workable County Home Rule Amendment. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Irwin moved the League of Women Voters work for revision of the Texas Constitution with continuing review of specific areas of State Government such as the Judicial system, state-local relationships and the executive branch; that the scope of Judicial study be:

1. Support of a unified court system.
2. Support of a family court system.
3. Review methods of selection of judges.
4. Study of possible administrative reform in state court system.

Motion seconded and carried.

National Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson had no specific report, but was asked to plan for questions to be asked of Congressman Kilday in a proposed interview.

State Constitutional Revision, Mrs. Hausman announced the units reported on the Judicial System, stating they would like further study on this. The report from Mrs. O'Hair was given consideration and the matters now under study by the Community Welfare Council do not directly relate to League Program Items.

County Home Rule, In the absence of Mrs. Passmore, Mrs. Cockrell reported that on Thursday, November 5th, there was a luncheon meeting of the steering committee of the Bexar County Home Rule Committee with Senator Gonzales. Five members were present and much was accomplished. Senator Gonzales was more strongly in favor of Home Rule.

Council Manager Government Chairman, Mrs. Bell reported on the Charter Revision Committee. She stated the controversy still existed in the committee on the election of a mayor by the people, or the election of a mayor by the other councilmen. She said that probably two reports would be presented to the City Council. She also announced that at the General meeting on Wednesday, November 18th, she, with Mrs. Manfred Gerhardt, another member of the City Charter Revision Committee would report on the City Charter Revision and current issues in City Government.

The President outlined procedure for arriving at League consensus on the election of a mayor and other issued.

Eda Prassel
Eda Prassel, secretary

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The General Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held on Wednesday, November 18, at 10 A. M. at the Landa Library.

Mrs. Ross Irwin, First-Vice-President, presided in the absence of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., President.

The following approval committee was appointed by Mrs. Irwin: Mrs. Warren E. Bessellieu, and Mrs. Joe Ward.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance of \$624.85. The report was placed on file.

In the absence of Mrs. Leah Johnston, Mrs. Robert Hausman read the following program recommendations from the Board:

National:

Current Agenda:

1. Study of the economic relationship existing between the U. S. and other countries of the world with continued support of world trade and economic development.
2. Study of government subsidies, their origin, purpose, scope and present and future effect on the total economy.

National Continuing Responsibilities

1. Recommend water resources item be included in continuing responsibilities.
2. Support of United Nations be placed on continuing responsibilities.

State

1. Support of a workable county home rule amendment.
2. The League of Women Voters of Texas will work for revision of the Texas Constitution, with continuing review of specific areas of State Government, such as the Judicial System, State-local relationships, and the Executive Branch; also noted in this recommendation were items for study in the judicial system, such as:

a. Support of a unified court system.

b. Support of a family court system

c. Review methods of selection of judges

d. Study of possible administration reform in State court system.

Nominating Committee, Mrs. Sinkin reported for Mrs. Orsburn, Chairman of the nominating committee stating there would be the following vacancies on the Board at the end of the club year: Second Vice-president, Third Vice-president, Treasurer, and three directors. She asked that any suggested names for these openings be sent to the nominating committee chairman, Mrs. Orsburn.

Finance, Mrs. Lecznar reported that she was in the process of sending the finance mail to non member contributors.

Mrs. Irwin introduced the new Board members, Mrs. John F. Willmott, Mrs. John E. O'Hair, Mrs. R. E. Thatcher, and Mrs. Ben Benson.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson announced that she and Mrs. Ward were distributing Voters Keys and the Legislative Guides.

County Home Rule, Mrs. Passmore gave a report on the County Home Rule Amendment.

Council Manager Government, Mrs. Bell announced that her resignation as a member of the Board of the League of Women Voters has been sent to the Board, because she has accepted a place on the Board of the Good Government League. She also reminded the group of the State Convention of the League of Women Voters on March 29, 30, and 31.

Scrap Book Chairman, Mrs. J. F. Schumann asked for clippings for the scrap book.

Mrs. Irwin announced that the next briefing would be on Monday, December 8th at the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., at 303 Mary Louise Dr., at 8 P. M.

Mrs. Rufus Bell, a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Charter Revision, had charge of the program on Council Manager Government.

Mrs. Bell spoke on the history and background of Council Manager Government. She then introduced Mrs. Manfred Gerhardt who is a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Charter Revision, and also the Chairman of the Planning Board.

Mrs. Gerhardt summarized the work of the Charter Commission and its report to the City Council.

Following a discussion, a straw vote was taken which indicated support for the Charter revision Committee recommendation that there be no change in the present method of electing the mayor by the City Council.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford moved that the discussed charter changes be studied in the Units in December with a view to arriving at positions. Motion seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

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The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the home of Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith, [REDACTED], at 10 A.M. on January 13, 1960.

Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Ross Irwin, Wm. R. Sinkin, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Robert Hausman, B. H. Passmore, R. E. Thatcher, Albert Barstis, Ben Benson, Francis Koch, Wm. Lecznar, John F. Willmott, State Board member Mrs. Gerald Ashford, and Mrs. William Brockhausen representing Mrs. Charles Erickson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a cash balance of \$790.91 on hand. The report was placed on file.

The First Vice-President, Mrs. Irwin, stressed the need for new and more speakers on the Speakers Bureau. She also stressed the need of a speakers workshop. She announced that Mrs. J. C. Ellington was the new press secretary and that Mr. Wise of the Express-News would send a reporter and a photographer for the General Luncheon meeting on the 20th.

Bulletin Editor, Mrs. Thatcher, requested noteworthy news. Anyone having same, contact her before the 20th.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis, had no specific report. It was suggested that school libraries be contacted regarding the subscription service.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson, reported she took 300 Voters Keys to Frost Bros., and that Frost Bros., Wolff & Marx, and Joske's were buying Voters Keys for their employees. Mrs. Irwin presented a poster made by the Alamo Heights students advertising the Voters Key.

The possibility of having a banner calling attention to election dates and etc., was discussed. It was suggested that Mrs. Irwin investigate this and report her findings to the Board.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Sinkin, called for reports from the Directors working with her.

Membership, Mrs. Koch, announced the membership was now 195. She reported on the General membership meeting on the 20th; the speaker being City Manager Lynn Andrews who will speak on "Financing the needs of the city of San Antonio." She then introduced Mrs. Yetta Nelson who presented a pin point map of the location of individual members.

Finance, Mrs. Lecznar, stated that 28% of the goal of non-member contributions had been met, with the amount collected \$709.00; that member contributions were 33% and the amount collected \$66.97. She announced the Finance Drive "Kick Off" would be on February 17th at a downtown location and she proposed that Mr. N. E. Dunn be the speaker. With the consent of the Board the speaker for the meeting will be left to the discretion of Mrs. Lecznar.

Unit Organization, Mrs. Sinkin reported for Mrs. Holman. She stated that Mrs. Warren Bessellieu had been appointed leader for the Olmos Unit. Mrs. Sinkin moved that the Board ratify the appointment. The motion was seconded and carried.

County Home Rule, Mrs. Passmore reported on the progress of County Home Rule.

The President announced that Mrs. Reeves, an observer at City Council, would introduce Mr. Lynn Andrews at the General Meeting on the 20th. It was agreed by the Board that letters of invitation to attend this luncheon meeting be sent to the Councilmen and their wives. Mrs. Cockrell also reported on the Poll Tax project stating the meeting with Mr. Dickison proved to be fruitless as he refused to deputize League Members to sell poll taxes.

Under New Business, Mrs. Lecznar reported on the proposed budget for 1960-61. Mrs. Lecznar moved that the Board present the proposed budget to the membership. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Barstis gave an account of the report from the units for local current agenda.

Mrs. Barstis moved the Board recommend that proposed item #1 on the current agenda be: Conduct a "Know your schools" survey to further the community awareness of its responsibility for public education. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Barstis recommended the second item, Completion of "Know your City" handbook, be placed on the current agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Barstis moved that "Support of County Home Rule" be proposed as a Continuing Responsibility. The motion was seconded and carried.

Plans for delegate expenses for State convention were discussed.

Mrs. Lecznar moved we allot \$50.00 toward the president's expenses for the State Convention and we allot \$350.00 to be divided equally among the other delegates who go to the convention. The motion was seconded and carried.

Plans for the National Convention in St. Louis on April 25-29 were discussed.

Mrs. Sinkin moved we elect Mrs. Cockrell as a delegate to the National Convention with expenses paid. The motion was seconded and carried.

The President announced that at the February meeting delegates to State convention would be elected.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

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Eda Prassel, secretary

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The General Membership of the League of Women Voters met with a luncheon meeting on January 20th, 1960, at the Fellowship Hall of the Central Christian Church, at 12:30.

Mrs. Reuben Roth, president of the Council of Jewish Women, gave the invocation.

Mrs. Cockrell, president, introduced the City Council members and their wives. Other guests were also introduced.

The following approval committee for the minutes was appointed by the president: Mrs. Willis Jourdin, Mrs. L. Bonham Jones, and Mrs. Jack Allensworth.

Mrs. Koch, membership chairman, introduced the committee members working with her.

Mrs. Lecznar, finance chairman, stated the "Kick Off" date for the finance drive would be on February 17th at 9:30 A. M., the place to be announced later. She also stated there would be two report meetings on February 24th and on March 1st.

The President announced the State Convention would be on the 29th, 30th and 31st of March at Dallas and our League would be allowed 20 delegates. Any one desiring to go as a delegate, contact her.

Mrs. Koch introduced three new members, Mrs. John Fisher, Mrs. Donald Taylor, and Miss Betty McCann.

The President presented Mrs. Archie Reeves who introduced the speaker, City Manager Lynn Andrews who gave an interesting and informative talk on "Financing the needs of the City of San Antonio."


Eda Prassel, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Francis M. Koch, [REDACTED] No [REDACTED], at 10 A.M. on February 10, 1960.

In the absence of Mrs. Cockrell, president, Mrs. Wm. R. Sinkin presided.

Board members present were Mesdames: Ross Irwin, Wm. R. Sinkin, Victor Prassel, R. E. Thatcher, Albert Barstis, Ben Benson, Francis M. Koch, Wm. B. Lecznar, Wm. R. Holman, John F. Willmott, John E. O'Hair, Mrs. Wm. Brockhausen representing Mrs. Chas. Erickson, and guests Mrs. James Castleberry and Mrs. Mario Barrera.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer A report from Mrs. Smith, treasurer, was read by Mrs. Sinkin showing a balance on hand of \$758.57. The report was filed with the secretary.

First Vice-President Mrs. Irwin introduced Mrs. James Castleberry who will work with her in Public Relations. She then called for reports from the directors working with her.

Voters Service Mrs. Benson reported on her meeting with Mr. Don Baugh, Executive Secretary of the Council of Churches regarding co-operation on the Voters Guide. After much discussion, Mrs. Koch moved that we purchase State Guides and include another sheet which we will publish on local candidates. The motion was seconded and carried. It was suggested that Mrs. Benson contact the Voting Officer at the Military Posts and request registration laws in other states with the purpose of alerting military personnel on absentee voting.

Membership Mrs. Koch reported that as of February 1st, we have 205 members. She introduced Mrs. Mario Barrera, prospects chairman, who requested that names of prospective members be sent to her.

Finance Mrs. Lecznar reported we now have \$814.00 of non member contributors or about 30% and we have 38% member contributions. She also stated that Mr. Melvin Sisk will be the guest speaker at the "Kick Off" meeting which will be at 9:45, February 17th at the Travis Park Methodist Church. This will be an open meeting. Also on the 17th in the lobby of the Nix Hospital Building the League will have a collection station from 11 to 4 to collect checks from workers. Voters guides will also be distributed to the public.

Unit Organization Mrs. Holman reported on the progress of the units. The next briefing will be on Monday, February 22, at the home of Mrs. Holman.

Third Vice-President In the absence of Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Sinkin made the following report: Proposed programs have been received from National and State with deadlines for the second round of State recommendations on March 8th, and deadline for recommendations for changes in the National program April 4th. Mrs. Irwin moved that the San Antonio League submit its own wording as previously submitted: Work for revision of the Texas Constitution with continuing review of specific areas of State government such as: The Judicial System, State-Local Relationships and the Executive Branch. The motion was seconded and carried.

This permits us to pinpoint the activity.

Mrs. Irwin moved that we resubmit the County Home Rule Item, "Support of a Workable County Home Rule Amendment." The motion was seconded and carried.

Proposed State By-Law changes were read by Mrs. Sinkin. Names for the State convention were taken.

National Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Willmott read a report summarizing progress in the field of Continuing Responsibilities.

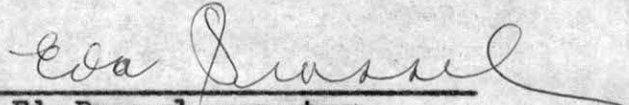
"A Brief Case for the Revision of the Texas Constitution" set for February 15th was discussed.

Water Mrs. Willmott moved that we release the publication by the National League to be publicized in the local press. The motion was seconded and carried.

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Jury On request by State for consensus on the Jury Item, Mrs. O'Hair gave a report from the local units. Mrs. O'Hair moved we notify State that we have not reached consensus in the Units on Jury Service. The motion was seconded and carried.

County Home Rule Mrs. Sinkin stated Mrs. Passmore was at work making plans to interview the announced candidates regarding their positions on Home Rule.

The meeting adjourned at noon.


Eda Prassel, secretary

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

The regular Board Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin Smith, [REDACTED], at 10 A.M., on March 9, 1960. Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, president and presiding officer, James Castleberry, Albert Barstis, William B. Lecznar, R. E. Thatcher, Charles A. Erickson, Jr., F. M. Koch, William R. Sinkin, Ben Benson, Gerald Ashford, Robert Hausman, Edwin Smith, John R. Willmott, William R. Holman, and Mrs. John E. O'Hair.

The President first called for board action on the resignations of the First Vice-President, Mrs. Ross Irwin, and State Continuing Responsibilities, Mrs. John E. O'Hair. The Board moved and carried that both resignations be accepted.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Edwin Smith reported a balance on hand of \$1247⁰³. The report was filed with the acting secretary.

First Vice-President. Mrs. James Castleberry, reporting for Mrs. Irwin, stated that the Voters Key was receiving wide publicity both from Newspapers and T. V. with some short announcements on League material receiving radio time.

Voters Service, Mrs. Ben Benson distributed to Board Members copies of the questionnaire which is being mailed to all candidates for Tax Assessor-Collector, Sheriff, and County Commissioner. Some discussion arose as to the wording but by action from the board the questionnaire was approved as written. Also, Mrs. Benson called attention to the campaign being conducted by the Rexall Drug Stores. Since its main purpose is to receive authority to have registration and voting information booths set up in their stores, she felt that the local LWV should set about placing League Material with the firms participating. The Voters Service Chairman was directed to pursue this project and report back to the Board. The Board also directed Mrs. James Castleberry to work with the Voting officer at the Lackland Air Base to place League information on Absentee Voting procedures at the disposal of the personnel there. The next area to be covered in the Voters Service field was the choice of Candidates Meeting which the Board felt would be the most effective this year. By a motion from Mrs. Sinkin it was stated that this year the San Antonio League should attempt a candidates meeting for as many candidates as possible at some downtown location. This motion was seconded and carried.

Publications, Mrs. Barstis stated that any Board members who were not serving again for the coming year were to handle their publications orders directly with her, but that officers who were continuing on the Board would automatically receive publications.

Finance, Mrs. Wm. Lecznar reported that 50% of the Finance Goal had been reached. She felt that after all collections had been returned that the total would be about the same as last year. She stated that a "mop-up" team would cover any names not reached.

Unit Chairman. Mrs. Holman reported that there is a possibility of forming two new units - one in the vicinity of Shearer Hills and the other in the south part of town. The Board moved and carried a motion that those interested in joining in those areas be allowed to meet with the authority to organize into League units.

Program Field. Mrs. Charles Erickson, Foreign Policy Chairman, announced that she is encouraging each unit to have at least one member on her committee. In April or May there will be a joint meeting with the Export-Import Club on United States Foreign Policy.

Water. Mrs. John Willmott reported on the meeting she attended along with Mrs. Cockrell which was held by the President's Study Commission on Water Resources. The League will file with the Commission bulletins and information stating the League's position on Water.

The President. Mrs. Cockrell called for the approval of delegates to the State Convention. In the event some delegates will make their decision to attend the convention after March Board meeting, it was moved and carried that the president be allowed to approve all delegates. Mrs. Cockrell called for action on the wording of the National Program and it was approved by the Board. Some questions arose as to the desire of the San Antonio League for a County Home Rule item being placed on State program. But members were not in agreement as to the procedure to be taken. There was no official action taken on the proposed By Laws Change which will come up at the convention but by an informal vote count it was found that more members favored changing the convention year that were opposed.

After further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Acting Secretary
Barbara Holman

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the Central Christian Church, 720 North Main Ave., at 8 P. M. on March 17, 1960.

The president, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, appointed Mrs. Joe Ward to be acting secretary for the annual meeting in the absence of the regular secretary, Mrs. Victor Frassel. Mrs. F. M. Koch introduced the hostesses for the annual meeting. Mrs. Cockrell appointed Mrs. Bryan Stacy, Mrs. Clifford Davis, and Mrs. John O'Hair to serve on the approval committee for the minutes of the annual meeting.

The treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Smith, presented a statement of League expenditures and income as of March 17, 1960, and reported a present cash balance of \$1,247.03. The report was approved and placed on file with the secretary.

Mrs. Cockrell called for reports from officers and board members of the past year's activities. First Vice-President Mrs. Ross Irwin discussed public relations activities of the past year, and in the absence of Voters Service Chairman, Mrs. Ben Benson, she also reported on the work done in the Voters Service area. Also reporting were Mrs. R. E. Thatcher, The San Antonio Voter; Mrs. Albert Barstis, Publications; Mrs. Melvin Sisk, Speakers Bureau; Miss Betty Ellington, Press; Mrs. F. M. Koch, Membership; Mrs. Wm. Holman, Unit Organization; Mrs. Wm Lecznar, Finance; Mrs. Charles Erickson, National Foreign Policy; Mrs. Robert Hausman, State Constitutional Revision; Mrs. John O'Hair, State Jury Service and State C.R.'s; Mrs. B. H. Passmore, County Home Rule; and Mrs. R. D. Bell, City Government. Mrs. O'Hair announced her resignation as State C.R.'s Chairman due to her husband's becoming active in politics. Mrs. Cockrell, on behalf of the League thanked Mrs. R. D. Bell for the service she has rendered to the city government and also Mrs. A. R. Reeves for being the League Observer at City Hall.

The chairman of the Budget Committee, Mrs. Robert Bottenberg, presented the Proposed 1960-1961 Budget. After discussion on the reasons for increasing non-member contributions, Mrs. Bottenberg moved that the proposed budget be adopted. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Passmore presented the Proposed Local Program for 1960-61. The proposed program consisted of Item 1. Conduct a "know Your Schools" survey to further the community's awareness of its responsibility for the public education; and Item 2. Completion of the "Citizens' Handbook of San Antonio." Mrs. Harry Patterson moved that "A Study of the Tax Policies of the City" be considered as a Local Current Agenda item. The motion was seconded but did not carry. Mrs. Joe Ward moved that "A Study of the Welfare Agencies Operating in San Antonio and Bexar County" be considered as L.C.A. The motion was seconded but did not carry. After further explanation of Item 1, Mrs. Passmore moved it be adopted. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Passmore moved adoption of Item 2. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Passmore moved that "Support of County Home Rule" be adopted as a C.R. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Fred Orsburn, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of officers drawn up by the committee as follows: First Vice-President, Mrs. James Castleberry; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Lecznar; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Gerald Ashford; Treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Smith; Directors (2 yr. term), Mrs. Herbert Soule, Mrs. R. E. Thatcher, and Mrs. Ben Benson; Directors (1 yr. unexpired term), Mrs. Charles Erickson and Mrs. John F. Willmott; and Nominating Committee, Mrs. R. D. Bell, Mrs. Wm. Holman, and Mrs. Albert Barstis. Mrs. Cockrell called for nominations from the floor. There were none. Mrs. George Smith moved that the slate be adopted as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell announced that the State Convention would be held in Dallas, March 29-31 and the National Convention in St. Louis, April 25-29. Mrs. Cockrell will be the official San Antonio League delegate.

Mrs. Castleberry announced a Candidates Meeting at McArthur Park on April 19, with talks starting at 7:00 P. M. Members were invited to bring picnic suppers at 5:30 P. M.

Briefing was announced for March 21 at Mrs. Wm. Holmans, [REDACTED], 8:00 P.M.
Subject: Public Protection.

The meeting was adjourned.

Bettie Ward, acting secretary

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A call meeting of the Board of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held March 25, 1960, at 10 A.M. in the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., [redacted] Dr.

The meeting was called to order by the president.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., James Castleberry, Victor Prassel, E. D. Smith, Ben Benson, Wm. B. Lecznar, F. M. Koch, R. E. Thatcher, John F. Willmott, Gerald Ashford, and visitors Mrs. Albert Barstis, and Mrs. A. B. Nolan.

The president announced vacancies on the Board, one in the publications field, and another in Unit Organization. She suggested the name of Mrs. George Wiederman for filling the vacancy in the Publications field. Mrs. Ashford moved that Mrs. Wiederman be appointed Publications Chairman. The motion was seconded and carried. The name of Mrs. Warren E. Bessellieu was suggested for filling the vacancy of Unit Organization Chairman. Mrs. Lecznar moved that Mrs. Warren E. Bessellieu be appointed Unit Organization Chairman. The motion was seconded and carried.

Several names were suggested for the vacancy of the Finance Chairman, but no action was taken.

A vacancy in the State Constitutional Revision was announced. Mrs. Willmott moved that Mrs. Bryan M. Stacy be appointed a director to fill the vacancy of State Constitutional Revision. The motion was seconded and carried.

The president announced that Mrs. Herbert Sewell, elected at the annual meeting would take the portfolio of School Survey.

Mrs. Benson read a list of answers to her invitations to the Legislators to attend the "Meet your Candidates" picnic meeting at McArthur Park at 7 P. M. on April 19, 1960.

Mrs. Lecznar requested permission to keep the books open till the 15th of April. Mrs. Koch moved that we leave the closing of the books to the discretion of the president, treasurer, and the finance chairman. The motion was seconded and carried.

The President announced she had the credential cards for the National Convention and requested names of anyone desiring to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45.

Eda Prassel, secretary

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The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED] Dr. at 10 A.M. on April 13, 1960.

Board members present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., James Castelberry, Wm. B. Lecznar, Gerald Ashford, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Charles A. Erickson, John F. Willmott, Ben Benson, F. M. Koch, R. E. Thatcher, Warren E. Bessellieu, George Wiederman, Herbert Soule, and State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis.

The minutes of the regular Board meeting of March 9 were read and approved as corrected.

The minutes of the call Board meeting of March 25 were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a cash balance of \$1,170.19 on hand. The report was filed with the secretary.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Castleberry announced the plans for the candidates meeting were progressing very well. There will be TV interviews with Mrs. Cockrell and Mrs. Benson on the Ed. Hyman show. There will also be radio announcements. Mrs. Castleberry distributed Voters Guides to Board members and requested ten volunteers to help fold the Voters Guides. She also read a list of the buyers of Voters Guides and stated that to date about 5,000 of the 10,000 Voters Guides have already been sold. It was agreed by the Board that as many Voters Guides as possible be sold and the distribution of free Voters Guides be left to the discretion of the Voters Service Committee.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lecznar called for reports from the Chairman of her committees.

Finance The vacancy of Finance Chairman was discussed, but no action was taken. Mrs. Lecznar moved that the League transfer its bank account from the Groos National Bank to a bank which is a contributor to the League. The motion was seconded and was carried.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford announced that on May 26 there would be a joint luncheon with the Import-Export Club at the Hilton Hotel at noon, the topic being Economic and Trade Aspect of the United States Foreign Policy.

Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson stated the topic for the next unit meetings would be Latin America. There will be no briefing meeting. The material will be sent to the unit leaders. Names of clubs that might be interested in the luncheon on May 26 were read. With the consent of the Board it was agreed that letters be sent to these clubs informing them of this luncheon meeting.

National Continuing Responsibilities, Mrs. Willmott gave a report on National Continuing Responsibilities stating there were no calls for action.

Two vacancies were announced in the program field. One being Chairman of methods of registration, and the other being Chairman of the completion of the City Hand Book. The president requested names to fill these vacancies. No action was taken.

Mrs. Ashford requested three off Board Chairman for State Continuing Responsibilities. These being Family Courts, Judicial, and Election By-laws. By consent of the Board this request was granted.

The President welcomed Mrs. Bessellieu to the Board and announced that Mrs. Barstis was on the State Board.

Under New Business, Mrs. Castleberry and Mrs. Koch were elected to serve on the nominating committee.

The president announced the appointment of Mrs. Harold Jensen as Chairman of the Auditing committee. After discussion it was agreed the president appoint two other off board members to serve on the auditing committee.

Represented at the State Convention were ten delegates from the San Antonio League plus Mrs. Rufus Bell parliamentarian, and plus Mrs. Ashford, State secretary and convention chairman. Impressions of the convention were given by Mesdames: Thatcher, Castleberry, Lecznar, Cockrell, Barstis, Koch, and Ashford. The next convention will be in Edinburgh.

The election of an alternate to the National Convention was next on the agenda. Nominated were Mesdames Thatcher, Koch, and Barstis as alternates.

Mrs. Soule moved that we pay one half of the expenses of the second delegate. The motion was seconded and was carried.

Mrs. Thatcher and Mrs. Koch were nominated for the place of second delegate. Mrs. Thatcher was elected second delegate. Mrs. Koch was elected first alternate.

Mrs. Ashford moved that if we send a visitor to the national convention the registration fee of \$15.00 be paid. The motion was seconded and was carried.

Mrs. Ashford spoke on the training session held two years ago. She suggested we combine the May Board meeting with the training session for an all day meeting. The Board approved this.

Mrs Castleberry displayed the Posters which had won second prize at the State Convention. The meeting adjourned at noon.

Eda Prassel, secretary

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The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met in the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED], at 10 A.M. on May 11, 1960.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., James Castleberry, Gerald Ashford, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Charles A. Erickson, John F. Willmott, Ben Benson, F. M. Koch, R. E. Thatcher, Warren E. Bessellieu, George Wiederman, Herbert Soule, Bryan Stacy, Off-Board member Mrs. John E. O'Hair, and State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance of \$1,428.34 on hand. The report was filed with the secretary. Mrs. Smith announced that she would close the books and then transfer the League money from the Groos National Bank to the National Bank of Commerce.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Castleberry told of plans for the luncheon on the 26th of May. She announced that the Mayor proclaimed May 15-21 as World Trade Week. The stores and newspapers are co-operating in publicizing World Trade Week. A biographical sketch of Dr. Paul Ceren, speaker for the luncheon was read by Mrs. Castleberry.

Voters Guides, Mrs. Benson reported the sale of more than 9,000 of the 10,000 Voters Guides. She announced conferences will be arranged with Mr. Zazman of Handy Andy in regard to the possibility of distributing 200,000 Voters Guides through their stores prior to the November general elections. She suggested that there be publicity about the Voters Guides. Also that the National office be written requesting the office of president and vice-president be included in the Voters Guide. With the consent of the Board it was agreed that the National office be written requesting that the office of president and vice-president be included in the Voters Guide.

Publications, Mrs. Wiederman reported that the San Antonio Junior College purchased 100 Bexar County Hand Books to be used in the Government course, and that 10 Bexar County hand books were sold at the Court House.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lecznar was out of the city.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported 210 members. She said that she and Mrs. Lecznar would work on methods of orientation during the summer.

Unit Organization, Mrs. Soule reported for Mrs. Bessellieu stating that the new night unit in the North Town area had its first meeting with a total of 10 present at the meeting. There will be another meeting on June 6th.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford called for reports from the Committee Chairman working with her. Mrs. Ashford announced that Mrs. John E. O'Hair will be chairman of Family Courts. The places of Judicial and Election By Laws have not yet been filled.

Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson reported the foreign policy committee meeting was a success. She stated the committee would meet every second Monday every other month at 8 p. m. at her home. There will be a meeting in June.

National Continuing Responsibilities, Mrs. Willmott stated there were no calls for action in this field.

School Survey, Mrs. Soule announced a meeting on May 17 with Mrs. Ashford, Sinkin, and Barrera on the School Survey. She stated that materials concerning School Survey will be gathered and professional consultation will be had.

Mrs. Cockrell, President, stated she had received a letter from Mrs. Walker of the Housing Authority asking if the League would be interested in touring the slum areas of San Antonio. The Chamber of Commerce would supply buses free of charge. The Board instructed

Mrs. Ashford to explore the amount of interest and the possibility in making urban renewal material available for summer units, if any, or for briefing preceding a bus tour of the slum areas.

Mrs. Koch announced that Mrs. Erickson and some of her committee will be among the hostesses greeting guests at the luncheon on the 26th. They will wear badges. Mrs. Ashford moved that name tags be used at the luncheon meeting. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Under Old Business, reports of the National Convention were made by Mrs. Cockrell and Mrs. Thatcher.

The meeting adjourned at noon for lunch. After lunch a very informative training session was held.

Eda Prassel, secretary.

* * * IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BOARD MEMBERS * * *

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The next Board meeting will be held Wednesday, August 2, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Lecznar, [REDACTED] Dr.; coffee at 9:30, meeting at 10:00. Please note that this is the first Wednesday of the month, instead of the usual second.

Also, the next local Voter will be published in late August. Please bring any notices, information, material, etc. you have for this Voter to the Board meeting.

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BOARD MINUTES of June 8, 1960

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met in the home of Mrs. James Castleberry, [REDACTED], at 10:00 a.m. on June 8, 1960.

Present were Mesdames: James Castleberry, Gerald Ashford, Edwin deLand Smith, Wm. B. Lecznar, Charles A. Erickson, Herbert Soule, Francis Koch, R. E. Thatcher, John F. Willmott, Warren E. Bessellieu, Raymond White, Orville P. Clark; also Mrs. William Brockhausen of the Foreign Policy Committee. In the absence of Mrs. Cockrell, President, who was out-of-town, Mrs. Castleberry presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were corrected by adding that a motion was made by Mrs. Ashford that name tags be used at the May luncheon meeting; motion seconded and passed. The minutes were approved as corrected.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lecznar that Mrs. Orville P. Clark be appointed to the Board as Finance Chairman; seconded by Mrs. Willmott; passed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ashford that Mrs. Raymond White be appointed to the Board as director for the State Voter Registration Item; seconded by Mrs. Erickson; passed.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported a balance of \$1338.23 on hand. The report was filed with the Secretary.

The Voter Editor, Mrs. Thatcher, announced there would be no issue of the local Voter until September.

Membership Chairman, Mrs. Koch, reported 212 members. Mrs. Arthur Ball is on the Membership Committee as sub-chairman for membership records; Board members should report to Mrs. Ball the names of League members serving on their committees or on special projects.

Unit Organization. A report on the orientation meeting held on June 6 for the new North Towne Unit was given.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford, announced that Mrs. Joe H. Ward, Jr. will be the coordinator on the City Survey; it is anticipated that the material will be completed and ready for editing by September. The tour of Urban Renewal Area No. 1 has been arranged for June 29; members are to meet at 10:00 a.m. at the City Auditorium; a notice is to be sent to all members to this effect.

Foreign Policy Chairman, Mrs. Erickson, reported that, due to doctor's orders, she must be inactive during the summer and that Mrs. Brockhausen will be acting chairman of the Foreign Policy Committee during that time.

It was reported that some members have suggested there be fewer introductions, especially of League committee members, at general meetings. The Board recommended that

the number of introductions of committee members be reduced, with introductions to be made at the discretion of the President.

Under New Business, Mrs. Erickson asked the Board to clarify to what extent the non-partisanship policy, specifically Section III i of the local policy sheet, applies to unit leaders. The consensus was that during the time of unit leadership, the unit leader cannot participate actively in partisan activities.

The proposed calendar was presented by Mrs. Ashford. Among items tentatively approved were: unit leader training session in August; candidates meeting in October; a membership coffee or evening meeting honoring new members, featuring the 40th Anniversary of the League, in September; unit meetings in October on State-Local relationships in cooperation with local committee on County Home Rule; participation in the UN Day luncheon in October; November unit meetings on Voter Registration, Family Courts, and Election Laws; a November general membership meeting on State issues, possibly with new legislators as guests; December unit meetings on the School Survey and local Program suggestions. Further consideration and final adoption of the calendar was deferred until the August Board meeting, with publication planned for the September local Voter.

A discussion on improving coverage of League Program included the following points: More League-prepared programs (i.e. League members as speakers or panels) at general meetings and joint-unit meetings. More opportunity for member discussion before reaching consensus. Earlier distribution of materials before meetings--specifically, calendar planning so that publications will be available for members' study prior to meetings; resource materials for unit topics distributed to unit leaders at the second previous briefing session (e.g. materials for the November topic distributed at the September briefing meeting) so that the topic leaders may be familiar with the material before coming to briefing. Better use of the briefing session by resource committees to bring out points of emphasis, amplification of material, techniques of presentation, discussion questions, etc., rather than "just going over the publication itself." More Program coverage in local Voter--resource chairmen supplying Editor with such information as basic publication, additional references, interest-provoking discussion questions, etc.; including substantive material prepared by the resource committees when space allows. Possible additional unit meetings and/or workshops for those members desiring more extensive coverage of Program item(s).

Mrs. Castleberry announced there would be no regular Board meeting in July; the next Board meeting will be held in August at Mrs. Lecznar's, [REDACTED]. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Wm. B. Lecznar,
Acting Secretary

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Wm. B. Lecznar, [REDACTED] Dr., at 10 A.M. on August 3, 1960.

Present were Mesdames S. E. Cockrell, Wm. B. Lecznar, Edwin D. Smith, Victor Prassel, Charles A. Erickson, John F. Willmott, F. M. Koch, R. E. Thatcher, Warren E. Bessellieu, Herbert Soule, Orville P. Clark, and A. B. Nolan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected. Mrs. Arthur Ball is Chairman of membership records instead of sub-chairman.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance of \$1,460.50 on hand as of August 3, and stated there were 210 members in the League. The report was filed with the secretary. Mrs. Smith read a letter of resignation from Mrs. Clifton Davis who has left the city. She also stated that the audit is in process and the deadline for dropping non-paying members is October 10th.

The name of Mrs. A. B. Nolan was recommended for the Local Continuing Responsibility on Council Manager Government. Mrs. Willmott moved that Mrs. Nolan be elected to the Board with her portfolio being Chairman of Council Manager Government. Mrs. Lecznar seconded the motion and it carried.

Bulletin, Mrs. Thatcher requested a resume of the background or League activity of new Board members. She stated the bulletin will be sent out a week early.

Voters Service In the absence of Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Cockrell stated that letters have gone out to the Republican and Constitution party candidates asking for answers to a questionnaire to be published in our Local Voters Guide which will be out on September 15th. She also stated that Mrs. Kenneth Ward is in contact with the manager of Handy Andy regarding large possible orders of the Voters Guide. The Candidates Rally will be late in October and consist of the Democratic, Republican, and Constitutional party nominees.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lecznar. The topic of non-partisanship for unit leaders as voted at the last meeting was discussed. Mrs. Erickson moved to rescind the action of the last meeting that Unit Leaders not engage in partisan activities. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Willmott and carried. Mrs. Lecznar moved that Section V be added to the Local Policy Sheet on non-partisanship to read: V Responsibilities of Unit Leaders. A Unit leader may participate in partisan political activities as an individual and outside of unit meetings. However, it is the responsibility not only of the unit leader but also of all members to refrain from any discussion or activity during or in connection with unit meetings, that Section I be added to read: e All members should refrain from partisan political discussion or activity at any official League meeting. Mrs. Bessellieu seconded the motion and it carried. The Board approved sending the non-partisan statement of the Local Board to every member with the September Voter.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported on the Fall membership reception to be in September. By consent of the Board it was agreed that the fall reception membership meeting be on Thursday, September 22, at 8 P. M. in the Memorial Hall of the Witte Museum. Mrs. Koch announced that on Monday, August 29th at 9:30 A.M. there will be a meeting in her home to address the invitations for the membership meeting. Names of guests should be sent to Mrs. Barrera or to Mrs. Koch.

Finance, Mrs. O. P. Clark, Jr., read a letter from the League of Women Voters of Missouri about their project of publishing League calendars for resale. Mrs. Smith moved we order 100 calendars from the Missouri League to sell. Mrs. Willmott seconded the motion and it carried. By consent of the Board this will be handled by the Finance Chairman.

Units, Mrs. Bessellieu announced a training school on August 25, at 7 P.M. in the parlor of the Beacon Hill Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Bessellieu requested to be hostess. All members are urged to attend. Mrs. Cockrell announced the first unit meeting will be on September 7th. Mrs. Lecznar announced the program for the first unit meeting will be on-partisanship and a training session for the State Constitutional Revision Survey. Posters will be used. Mrs. Bessellieu moved that Mrs. Lecznar working with the membership committee prepare orientation posters and material for use in the units. Mrs. Thatcher seconded the motion and it carried. It was agreed by the Board that Mrs. Lecznar give unit leaders tools and mimeograph a sheet to be of help to the leaders.

Program

Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson reported on the foreign policy meetings of her committee and requested new members for her committee. She stated tentative plans were being formed to present the topic in the form of a panel discussion with an expert as a member of the panel. There will be a question and answer period. She will have a definite plan at the next Board meeting.

With the consent of the Board the following changes in the proposed calendar were made. Mrs. Eillmott, National Continuing Responsibilities to have her program in January instead of April, and Mrs. Erickson, National Foreign Policy will have her program in April instead of January. Final approval to the program will be given at the September Board meeting. The April meeting will be a General meeting in the evening.

National Continuing Responsibilities, Mrs. Willmott stated the material from National was still forthcoming and that United Nations will be on the agenda. She said the Community luncheon on October 24th celebrating United Nations day would be in the Hilton Hotel, and the plates would be \$2.25. Mrs. Erickson moved the League participate officially in the celebrating of United Nations day. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Clark and carried. Mrs. Willmott moved that a \$10.00 contribution be given to the United Nations Day committee to help defray expenses of arrangements for the luncheon. (this expenditure is to be charged to the National Program Item in our budget.) Mrs. Bessellieu seconded the motion and it carried.

State Constitutional Revision, Mrs. Stacy. In the absence of Mrs. Stacy, Mrs. Cockrell read a letter from Mrs. Ashford telling of a request from the State Board of the League of Women Voters to interview 200 people on Citizens Opinion of the Texas Constitutional Revision. The results are to be sent to the State Board. The plan as outlined by Mrs. Ashford was approved by the Board.

Voters Registration It was announced that a meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. White on September 9th at 10 A.M..

School Survey, Mrs. Soule stated that the work is still going on.

The adoption of a Calendar was postponed and the dates will be set by the committee and they will have it ready by the next Board meeting.

The area conference will be on September 15 in Corpus Christi. The registration fee will be \$1.00 and the meeting will be from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. The topic will be: "To improve the quality of programs and techniques for building programs." Mrs. Koch moved that those attending the area conference defray their own expenses. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thatcher and carried.

The next Board meeting will be on September 14. at 10 A.M. at the home of Mrs. Nolan on 334 Nottingham.
The meeting adjourned at noon.

Eda Prassel, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. A. B. Nolan, [REDACTED] at 10 A.M. on September 14, 1960.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Wm. B. Lecznar, Edwin D. Smith, Victor Prassel, James Castleberry, Gerald Ashford, Charles A. Erickson, A. B. Nolan, F. M. Koch, O. P. Clark, Raymond White, Ben Benson, And State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance on hand of \$896.81. She also read the audit made by Mrs. Harold Jensen for the fiscal year that ended March 31, 1960. A letter from the National Bank of Commerce was read stating their appreciation of the League account.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Castleberry stated that plans are being formulated for a joint Candidates meeting with KENS. The question of when KENS-radio would be associated with the editorial policies of the San Antonio Express-News was raised. The committee was asked to clarify the point and insure a complete non-partisan approach at the joint meeting. With the consent of the Board the committee will make the arrangements for a joint Candidates meeting with KENS-radio.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson reported that Captain King at Brooks AFB has 50 vehicles on which he would like the League to furnish stickers to remind people to vote. By consent of the Board it was agreed Mrs. Benson order the stickers. An offer to assist the League in its Voters Service work has been made by the girl scouts. Mrs. Benson also stated that the Voters Guides are at the printers and will be ready next week.

Bulletin In the absence of Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Koch stated that she and Mrs. Thatcher have revised the mailing list for the local Voter.

Speakers Bureau, Mrs. Schoenbaum. Mrs. Castleberry spoke on a plan to train speakers for the Speakers Bureau with Miss Jean Longwith, instructor in speech at Jefferson High School and San Antonio College as teacher. Two plans were proposed: One consisting of two evenings with two hour sessions at the cost of \$30.00, and the other of four evenings with two hour sessions, the cost being \$50.00. The Board indicated a preference of the two evening course, but suggested the Speakers Bureau Chairman make a survey to determine if a class of about twenty members could be enrolled. Mrs. Erickson will conduct a follow up with the class. It was suggested that this public speaking course be brought up before the units and that it also be announced in the Voter in the form of an order blank.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lecznar called for reports from her Committee Chairman.

Finance, Mrs. Clark reported a tentative finance schedule had been made. Mrs. Lecznar reported to the Board on the Dallas plan on having a list of prominent citizens listed on the League letterhead stationary which is mailed to contributors and that this group is called a finance advisory committee. There was discussion as to the best title for the committee with the word "Sponsors" also suggested. Mrs. Koch moved that the matter of a list of prominent citizens and title be determined by the finance committee with consultation with the president and vice-president. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Erickson and carried. Mrs. Clark asked for volunteer typists to type the letters to be sent to the contributors. Mrs. Clark passed a sample of a "Thank You" card used by another League which contained a political calendar on the card. Mrs. Clark outlined the rest of the plan including stationary needs and with consent of the Board the Finance Committee was empowered the ordering of the necessary supplies. Mrs. Lecznar moved the Board approve the entire plan of work of the finance committee. Mrs. White seconded the motion and it carried.

Membership, Mrs. Koch stated the plans are the same for the September 22 membership meeting. She also announced that past presidents will be hostesses and that name cards with their titles be given to the members.

Unit Organization, Mrs. Bessellieu. In the absence of Mrs. Bessellieu, Mrs. Lecznar stated the unit leaders training session conflicts with the Nixon-Kenney debate. By consent of the Board it was decided to leave this matter to the discretion of the Unit Chairman. Mrs. Lecznar gave a report on the units.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford called on the Chairman of her Committees.

Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson announced that her committee meetings were once a month in the form of a workshop. All members are urged to attend, either as listeners or as participants. The General meeting will be an open meeting in April in the form of a panel discussion with League members and one expert on economics on the panel. Mrs. Ashford announced the program calendar will be in the next Voter.

National Continuing Responsibilities In the absence of Mrs. Willmott, the president announced the United Nations Day luncheon on October 24 at the Granada Hotel.

Voters Registration Mrs. White reported on a meeting at her home. She stated that on October 7, there will be another meeting in her home. She requested a representative from all units to attend.

Mrs. Ashford offered the possibility of planning the General meeting in November as a luncheon and include the newly elected legislators, the program being on State issues (election laws or possibly voters registration.) Mrs. Erickson moved that we schedule a luncheon meeting for November with the newly elected Legislators as guests, with the program being on State Issues, election laws or possibly voters registration. Mrs. Benson seconded the motion and it carried.

Constitutional Revision In the absence of Mrs. Stacy, Mrs. Ashford reported the work on the questionnaire is progressing. Mrs. Ashford outlined the programs for the year and stated the topic for October will be State-Local Relationships.

School Survey In the absence of Mrs. Soule, it was announced the schools to be surveyed will be the San Antonio Independent School District, the Alamo Heights District, and the Northeast District. Workers are needed.

City Survey Mrs. Joe Ward is acting as co-ordinator.

Council Manager Government Mrs. Nolan announced a committee meeting in her home on September 29th.

Mrs. Ashford moved that Mrs. Castleberry and Mrs. Nolan be authorized to continue their services as election officials at General Elections. Mrs. White seconded the motion and it carried.

Mrs. Ashford announced her off Board Chairman for State Continuing Responsibilities. Family Courts - Mrs. John E. O'Hair; Effective Judicial System - Mrs. Robert Hausman; Election Laws - Mrs. Raymond White. By consent of the Board these appointments were approved.

Mrs. Cockrell announced the Area workshop in Corpus Christi. She also announced that the State Board would meet in different cities for their meetings. It was suggested that the Board invite the State Board to meet in San Antonio for their January meeting. Mrs. Lecznar moved the San Antonio Board invite the State Board to hold its January meeting in San Antonio. Mrs. Benson seconded the motion and it carried.

Mrs. Lecznar moved the president be authorized to find and appoint an off-board chairman on Poll Tax. Mrs. Castleberry seconded the motion and it carried.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Eda Prassel, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, [REDACTED], at 10 A.M. on October 12, 1960.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., James Castleberry, Wm B. Lecznar, Gerald Ashford, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, Ben Benson, George Wiederman, Warren E. Bessellieu, Orville P. Clark, Francis Koch, Charles Erickson, Raymond White, A. B. Nolan, Off-Board Chairman Mrs. John E. O'Hair, State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis, and Mrs. Rufus Bell, Chairman of the nominating committee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance on hand of \$838.97 as of October 11th. The report was filed with the secretary.

The President welcomed Mrs. Rufus Bell, Chairman of the nominating committee. Mrs. Bell requested that suggestions for offices be sent to her. She stated the nominating committee would have a meeting on Tuesday October 18th.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Castleberry announced the joint Candidates meeting with KENS and that Mrs. Benson had the tickets for the Candidates Rally. Mr. Carl of KENS will handle the radio publicity and Mrs. Castleberry the newspaper publicity.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson announced the Candidates Rally on November 3rd from 7:30 to 10 at the Granada Hotel. Candidates for contested places will speak. There will be a question and answer period. Mr. Carl of KENS will be the moderator and panel members will be Paul Thompson and Ray Hunt of KENS and Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., and Mrs. James Castleberry of the League. Mrs. Ben Benson will be the timekeeper. Mrs. Benson asked for 10 women to act as guides and ushers and hand out pencils and papers for questions. By consent of the Board this was granted. Mrs. Benson stated that the Girl Scouts have folded Voters Guides and that Voters Guides were given to Mr. Carl to be distributed.

Publications, Mrs. George Wiederman reported that 56 members were taking the local subscription service and that many Texas Constitutional Revision Booklets are being sold. She plans to contact school libraries about using the county hand book. She also stated that Ken Rogers of Station KENS is using League publications in all fields on a short program 10 minutes after the hour.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lecznar called on her Committee Chairman to give their reports.

Membership, Mrs. Koch requested volunteers to telephone delinquent members before dropping them from membership. Mrs. Smith, treasurer, volunteered to do this.

Unit Chairman, Mrs. Bessellieu reported the Unit Training School session was a success with 23 in attendance. She also reported on the units.

Finance, Mrs. Clark reported that the title for the list of names of prominent citizens on League letterhead stationery is to be "Advisory Committee on Finance." She stated that 49 League calendars have been sold. She asked for volunteers to meet at her home at 131 Montpieler at 9:30 A.M. on October 20th to fold and stuff envelopes to be sent to contributors.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford moved the San Antonio League defray the travel expense of the delegates to the Area Conference at Corpus Christi. Mrs. Castleberry seconded the motion and it carried. Mrs. White and Mrs. Prassel reported on the Area Conference.

National Foreign Policy, Mrs. Erickson reported on the workshop meeting in her home with 8 members present. She requested copies of Economic Diplomacy at Home and Abroad. She stated she will speak with Dr. Horace Taylor, teacher of economics at Trinity University concerning his participating on the General meeting panel in April. Mrs. Erickson reported on the two conferences sponsored by the Carrie Chapman Catt fund. The San Antonio League is eligible to send one representative to Los Angeles with round trip air coach expenses paid. The local League pays for the meals and hotel room for the delegate. A definite decision about the local League delegate will be made at the next Board meeting. Mrs. Cockrell announced the United Nations Day luncheon on Monday October 24th in the ballroom of the Granada Hotel with Senora Acuna of Cuatamala who is an editor and author and the Woman of the Americas as a special guest of the United Nations day celebration. Mrs. Cockrell suggested the League have a Sunday Night supper at her home on October 30, at 7 P.M. honoring Senora Acuna with Board members, Off-Board members and husbands invited with the cost being 50¢ per person. Mrs. Lechner moved we entertain Senora Acuna and her party with a Sunday night reception and supper at the home of Mrs. Cockrell at 7 P.M. on October 30th with Board, and Off-Board members and husbands invited with the cost being 50¢ per person. Mrs. Erickson seconded the motion and it carried. Invitations will be sent out.

Texas Constitutional Revision In the absence of Mrs. Stacy, Mrs. Ashford stated that 91 questionnaires have been sent out with 12 more being sent immediately. There will be a follow up on the survey. A simple questionnaire on Constitutional Revision will be sent to those not having been contacted. Mrs. Ashford announced the November General meeting on the 3rd Wednesday will be a luncheon. The program will be Voters Registration with the newly elected legislators as guests. On October 20th there will be a briefing session in the home of Mrs. Raymond White.

School Survey, Lackland may be added to the school survey.

Council Manager Government, Mrs. Nolan asked for volunteers to observe at the City Council.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Eda Prassel, secretary

The Board Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held on November 9th at the home of Mrs. E. Deland Smith. It was called to order by our president Mrs. Sid Cockrell, Jr. Present were Mrs. Ashford, Mrs. Castleberry, Mrs. Erickson, Mrs. Hausman, Mrs. Lecznar, Mrs. White, and Mrs. Willmott, and Mrs. Smith.

The Treasurer's report was not read but Mrs. Smith stated that our finances were about the same.

A letter from Consul-General Albert Kepke was read thanking us for entertaining Senora Acuna, the Woman of the Americas, at the home of Mrs. Cockrell.

A letter thanking us for our work in distributing the Voters Guides was also read.

The first Vice President, Mrs. James Castleberry, reported on the Candidates Rally. She said that Radio Station KENS felt that it was a success and planned to do another in the future when the occasion arose. She also reported that nearly all of the Voters Guides had been distributed.

News for the Bulletin was called for by Mrs. Cockrell.

The second Vice President, Mrs. Lecznar, reported that our membership was about 215. The membership list is being prepared and should be ready within a week.

Announcement was made of the luncheon meeting at the Aurora Hotel on November 16 at 12 noon. Cost of the luncheon will be \$1.50. A speaker on Voter Registration will be present from the Bar Association. 21 names of people who agreed to have their names appear on the letterhead of our finance letters were read. The letters for our finance drive were mailed on Saturday, October 29 and we have already received 13 contributions. The body of the finance letters (for new and previous contributors) was read for the information of the Board members.

57 League of Women calenders have been sold to date.

Mrs. Ashford gave a report on the units. The Alamo Heights and North Towne units are presently without leaders. The North East night unit does not have enough members to have a satisfactory unit meeting. A motion was made that instructions be placed in the Bulletin for the members of the North East Night Unit to meet with another night unit until more members are available to attend. The motion was seconded and passed. A plea was made for Board members to attend some of the unit meetings in order that continued contact be had by the units with experienced league members.

PROGRAM: Mrs. Erickson announced that the next workshop on the National Item, Foreign Policy, will be on Monday evening, December 12th, at 7:45 at her home. All interested members are invited to attend. Announcement was made of Barbara Hayman as a new member of the Foreign Policy committee.

A detailed report on the supper for Mrs. Acuna was made and it was suggested that in the future occasions as this be less formal and social and allowances made so that definite questions could be asked by both sides. A definite need was felt for this type of thing.

Mrs. Cockrell brought up the meeting to be held in January under the auspices of the Carrie Chapman Catt Fund in Los Angeles. This meeting is on our Foreign Economic Policy with relation to the United Nations. The C.C.C. Fund will provide air coach fare for one delegate and a discussion was had as to whether the league could manage to finance room and board for the delegate, also who would be able to attend the meeting. Final decision was left to a committee made up of the President, Program Vice President and the National Current Agenda Item chairman.

Mrs. Cockrell made a suggestion that an informal affair be held by the League with Mr. and Mrs. Morsh giving a program on Japan. They have recently returned from a six month stay there. This was left for us to give some thought to.

Mrs. Willmott reported on National Continuing Responsibilities. Her committee is working on preparations for the breifing meeting.

On the State Level: Mrs. Stacy, our Texas Constitutional Revision chairman, sent in her resignation which was accepted with regret. On State Continuing Responsibilities, this will be considered in the coming months at the unit meetings.

Mrs. Cockrell read a communication from the State Office. A Suggestion was made for enclosure in our local "Voter" that no information be discussed about the findings of the League regarding Voter Registration, especially in terms of local consensus. It was moved and passed that his request be included in our next "Voter".

A discussion was had on the consensus of Voter Registration. It was moved and seconded that the responsibility for sending the consensus in be delegated to the Voters Registration Committee.

On the Local level: City Survey: Betty Ward is hoping to have our new city handbook by February. She reports that work is progressing very nicely.

School Survey: The committee met and is ready to start work in two sections of town. Our December unit meetings will be devoted to this subject.

The December Unit meetings will also ask for suggestions on local program for next year. These suggestions will be reported back to our Board meeting.

Helen Nolan, Council Manager Chairman. will be gone for a few months and Elsie Sexauer will take over her portfolio until she returns.

Announcement was made of the resignation of Kay White and this was accepted with regret. A motion was made and seconded that Mrs. White act as off-board chairman of Voters Registration.

As there was no further business, the meeting was closed by Mrs Cockrell.

secretary, pro-tem Mrs. R. Hausman

The general membership of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met with a luncheon meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 1960 at the Aurora Apartment Hotel.

The president called the meeting to order followed by a silent prayer.

Fifty-four members and guests were present. Among the members and guests introduced were Legislators James Barlow, John Alaniz, and Jake Johnson.

The president appointed the following approval committee for the minutes of the meeting: Mesdames Gene Brown, Carl Reed, and Charles Graham.

Mrs. Sinkin told of the meeting she attended with the Urban Renewal Board.

Mrs. Cockrell introduced the speaker, Mr. Blair Reeves who gave an informative and interesting talk on Voters Registration. A question and answer period followed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30.

Eda Prassel
Eda Prassel, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, [REDACTED] B., at 10 A.M. on December 14, 1960.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, Victor Frassel, Edwin D. Smith, Warren E. Bessellieu, Ben Benson, O. Paul Clark, Francis Koch, R. E. Thatcher, Joe H. Ward, Jr., George Wiedermann, John F. Willmott, Mario Barrera, and State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. The corrections were that Mrs. Lecznar gave the report on units instead of Mrs. Ashford.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith reported a balance on hand of \$1,256.62. The report was filed with the secretary.

Mrs. Cockrell told of the resignation of Mrs. Soule from the Board. Upon the motion made by Mrs. Koch and seconded by Mrs. Bessellieu, it was voted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Soule with regret.

Under appointments to be filled, Mrs. Ashford moved the following people be appointed to fill the following portfolios: Mrs. Mario Barrera, School Survey Chairman; Mrs. Robert Hausman, State Constitutional Revision; Mrs. Joe Ward, City Hand Book. The motion was seconded and carried.

Bulletin, Mrs. Thatcher gave her report and urged members to send bulletin information to her.

Publications, Mrs. Wiedermann stated the local subscription service subscribers numbered fifty-two.

Voters Service, Mrs. Benson. The coming bond elections were discussed. Mrs. Cockrell suggested that Mrs. Castleberry be asked to check the television time with the pros and cons of some aspect of the bond election. It was suggested that we ask Mr. Davis the new assessor-collector of taxes to come to the next Board meeting to deputize League members to sell poll taxes. They will be sold this year as a service without charge. Mrs. Benson is Chairman of the Poll Tax campaign. Also announced was the request of Mrs. Eleanor Patterson, citizenship chairman of the San Antonio Teachers Council, for workers to go to the schools to sell poll taxes to the teachers. Mrs. Thatcher moved the Board approve the poll tax plan as discussed. Mrs. Ashford seconded the motion and it carried. Mrs. Benson suggested this be put in the Voter.

Membership, Mrs. Koch reported 217 members. She reported on the membership list and Directory mailing. She announced a membership Brunch on January 17, with the local Board members as hostesses. This will be at the Granada Hotel in the Walnut room with the meeting at 10 A.M. and the Brunch at 11:30, the price being \$2.25 including the tip. Mrs. Cockrell suggested that each member of the local Board be hostess to the State Board member who has the corresponding portfolio. (Badges will be used.) Mrs. Koch moved the local League defray the cost of the Brunch plates for the State Board members who will be our guests. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Benson and carried. Mrs. Koch announced that Mrs. Richard Mottweiler will be the prospects Chairman on membership committee.

Mrs. Ashford moved that the Publications Chairman consult with the Finance and Membership Chairman and order additional supply of "Facts" before the January unit meetings if copies of Facts are needed. Mrs. Bessellieu seconded the motion and it carried.

Finance, Mrs. Clark stated the contributions to date on the finance drive are \$417.00. She asked for volunteers to help with the finance drive. She stated 69 calendars have been sold.

Units, Mrs. Bessellieu reported on the units. She stated there were 18 present at the last briefing. Mrs. Ashford announced the briefing material for the January units will be mailed.

Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ashford asked for and received volunteers to interview the seven Representatives to the State, the Senator to the State and the Representative to Congress on League program items.

National Foreign Policy, In the absence of Mrs. Erickson, Mrs. Ashford stated the National Foreign Policy December workshop had a good meeting. Plans are in the making for the April luncheon. She also stated that Betty Ellington from the San Antonio League, and Mrs. Gordon Loren from State will go to the Los Angeles Conference and will report at the January Brunch meeting.

National Continuing Responsibilities, Mrs. Willmott reported on National Continuing Responsibilities. She has had the River Basin Study mimeographed at the cost of \$24.00.

Voters Registration, In the absence of Mrs. White, it was reported the voters registration consensus from San Antonio has been sent in and the local consensus was that poll taxes as a prerequisite for voting was not advisable. A minority report was also filed.

City Survey, Mrs. Ward stated she would have the material ready for the editing board by the end of January.

Council Manager Government, Mrs. Ashford reported for Mrs. Sexhauer stating there are tentative plans for a January committee meeting.

County Home Rule, In the absence of Mrs. Passmore, Mrs. Cockrell stated there will be a meeting with Senator Gonzales and further discussions will be held.

Under New Business, Mrs. Cockrell announced two committees. They are the Budget Committee with Mesdames: Jean Graham, O. P. Clark, Edwin D. Smith, and S. E. Cockrell, Jr., The By-Laws Committee with Mesdames: Albert Barstis, Victor Frassel, and W. B. Lecznar.

The advisability of having a paid office worker each Friday from 9 to 12 and on the 4th Friday from 9 to 3 at the cost of \$25.00 per month was discussed. Mrs. Willmott moved the president be authorized to set up the new office with a secretary on a part time basis for \$25.00 a month for a three month trial period starting in January. Mrs. Bessellieu seconded the motion and it carried.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

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FEB 23 REC'D

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30.

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Mrs. James Castleberry Sec. Pro. Tem.

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To; Board of Directors, League of Women Voters of San Antonio
Re; Board meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 8th, 1961

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FEB 28 REC'D

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The meeting was called to order. The minutes of the last regular meeting and those of the called Board meeting held January 17th were approved.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported a balance on hand of \$656.94. The report was filed with the secretary. At the request of Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Smith read two notes from members of the State Board whom she had entertained at dinner during the State Board meeting.

Public Relations. Mrs. Castleberry announced the program, The Nation's Future, to be broadcast by WOAI at 8:30 P.M., March 11th, will be based on the League publication, "Hard Choices."

Voters Service. Mrs. Benson thanked the ladies who assisted in the poll tax drive. Sixteen of the seventeen members deputized participated. She reported the League had issued 1,726 poll taxes, 136 exemptions; 50 schools had been visited. Mr. Davis, Bexar County Assessor-Collector was very pleased and reports from the schools were complimentary. Distribution of the Voters Guide for the coming election for United States Senator was discussed. Mrs. Benson suggested that regular contributors to the League be given a supply of these guides for their own distribution. She feels this would be good public relations. The maximum price of the guide will be \$8.50 for lots of 1,000 or more. The President requested Mrs. Castleberry to contact the newspapers with a view to having our Voters Guide published in the newspapers in its entirety and the possibility of having tear sheets printed for our own distribution. After a discussion, Mrs. Lecznar moved that a sufficient number of Voters Guides be ordered to supply our finance needs, the membership mailing and up to 100 copies each to those firms and the Chamber of Commerce who have purchased them previously; this motion subject to the response of the press. The motion was seconded and carried.

Publications. Mrs. Wiederman gave a report on the publication service.

Bulletin. Mrs. Thatcher announced the last bulletin published had been edited in our own office. The prospects chairman requested she be furnished a supply of each bulletin to send to prospective members. The Board was again reminded the deadline for publication is the 15th of each month.

Membership. In the absence of the Membership Chairman, Mrs. Ashford reported 225 members at this time, and requested the names of new members be published in the bulletin. Mrs. Koch also requested that copies of the state and national publications catalogs be furnished new members. A motion was made by Mrs. Lecznar that the national and state publications catalogues be mailed to new members. The motion was seconded and carried.

Finance In the absence of the Finance Chairman, Mrs. Ashford reported receipt of contributions since last meeting. At this time we are working on a special drive and concentrating on \$50.00 and \$25.00 contributors. Tentative plans of the kick-off is March 21st.

Units. Mrs. Dietert and Mrs. Passur have requested that a southside unit be organized. There are four people ready to pay dues and others who are interested. They would like to meet the first Tuesday in March. A motion was made that organization of a southside unit be approved by the Board. The motion was seconded and carried.

JOHN COLEMAN

FEB 28 REC'D

Program Mrs. Erickson will hold a workshop on National Foreign Policy in her home on Monday, February 13th, at 8:00 P.M. Board members are especially urged to attend and as many others as possible. Plans for the April general meeting are going forward. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Taylor of Trinity University, and four regular committee members will make up the panel. This will be an evening meeting. The place has not been decided, but it is quite likely that two classes from Trinity will be asked to attend as well as the public. Mrs. Cockrell suggested that it might be possible to hold the meeting in Trinity University.

National Continuing Responsibilities. Mrs. Willmott reported she attended the hearing on the proposed river authority bill and explained the provisions of the bill as it is now being considered. Mrs. Ashford made a motion that the Board authorize addition of information on this bill to our March unit program and at the same time that application to National be made for permission to do this specific study and act upon this specific bill, assuming our members had reached a consensus. The motion was seconded and carried.

Voters Registration. Mrs. Ashford stated the consensus of the League of Women Voters of Texas is opposed to poll taxes. The local League is for direction on this item. The same is true of the Texas State Constitutional Revision.

Local Program. A review of Council - Manager government has been scheduled for the March meeting. It is suggested that a mimeograph sheet on this subject be prepared.

School Survey. Mrs. Barrera announced that we are to start survey of the San Antonio School system. Alamo Heights has been taken care of and Northeast is well on the way.

County Home Rule. Mrs. Cockrell reported on the action taken on county home rule by the Commissioners Court which disapproved the County Home Rule amendment offered by the County Legislative Committee. Mrs. Cockrell expressed regret at the action, particularly of Commissioner Pena who had publicly declared his support of the measure.

City Survey. Mrs. Ward reported that Mrs. Leah Johnston and Mrs. Ruth Von Puhl will act as editors of the City Handbook. It will take about two weeks to get the remaining chapters to them. We are about one week behind schedule.

Under New Business the Board decided to hold the annual meeting on Saturday, March 18th, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon. The place will be decided later. Mrs. Cockrell announced the Presidents Council will be held March 22nd and 23rd. The San Antonio League is entitled to two delegates and an unlimited number of observers. The Board elected Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., and Mrs. R. E. Thatcher as delegates, with Mrs. Robert Hausman and Mrs. Ben Benson as alternates. Mrs. Cockrell stated it is also our obligation to invite legislators to be guests of the San Antonio League at the breakfast on March 23rd. Invitation will be sent about March 1st. Mrs. Cockrell requested that all annual reports be submitted to her by February 15th, as they must reach state by March 1st. The President announced the Speakers Bureau Chairman has set up with Dr. Jean Longwith, a class in public speaking to be held March 1st and 8th. The cost of the class to those interested is \$1.00 each, the deficit, if any, to be paid by the League. In view of conflicting dates, it was decided to request the classes to be held March 8th and 15th.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Helen Nolan, secretary pro-tem.

The regular Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. Victor Prassel, [REDACTED], at 10 A.M., on March 8, 1961.

Present were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., James Castleberry, Gerald Ashford, Victor Prassel, Edwin D. Smith, O. Paul Clark, Jr., Francis Koch, A. B. Nolan, Joe H. Ward, Jr., George Wiedermann, John Willmott, State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis, Off-Board Chairman of Election Laws, Mrs. Raymond E. White, and in-coming secretary, Mrs. Donald H. Taylor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected. The corrections were: Under Membership, Mrs. Koch reported instead of Mrs. Ashford; Under Finance, Mrs. Smith reported instead of Mrs. Ashford; Under Voters Registration, after the words poll Taxes add- as a prerequisite for voting - and after the words The local League is; insert "being asked" and after the words Constitutional Revision, add the word program. Under School Survey; delete the words San Antonio School System and insert the words Northeast Independent School District. After Alamo Heights, delete the words, "has been taken care of and Northeast."

The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$384.91. The report was filed with the secretary.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Castleberry announced the program to be on WOAI on March 11th, entitled "Hard Choices" was postponed until April.

Publications, Mrs. Wiedermann reported 22 Bexar County Hand Books have been sold. Seventeen of these were sold for use in the new Southside unit.

Speakers Bureau Mrs. Castleberry reported on the workshop on public speaking. She stated there were twelve members attending this workshop.

Voters Service In the absence of Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Castleberry stated the State League would not issue a guide on the Special Senate election due to the large number of candidates. She suggested the local League gather information for a local Voters Guide for the City election on April 4th, if the newspapers will print the guide. She also suggested a pro and con on the county retirement plan. Upon motion made by Mrs. Nolan and seconded by Mrs. Ashford, it was voted to gather the information for the Voters Guide as suggested by Mrs. Castleberry. Mrs. Cockrell distributed sample questions for the Local Voters Guide which met with the approval of the Board.

Membership Mrs. Koch announced that as of today there are 230 members in the League.

Finance Mrs. Clark reported \$300.00 on advance contacts has been collected so far on the finance drive. She also stated there had been a training session in February for workers on the finance drive. This drive starts on March 21st at 9:30 at Travis Park Methodist Church. Commissioner Jorrie will speak. Mrs. Clark stated she still had eleven calendars for sale. The contribution from members was discussed. Mrs. Ashford suggested that a notice of the drive be put in the Voter with a blank to be filled out and mailed with the member's contribution. It was also suggested the finance drive for members be announced at the next briefing. The Board approved these suggestions.

Units In the absence of Mrs. Bessellieu, Mrs. Ashford reported on the new Highland Park Unit, stating there were 12 enthusiastic women present. This unit will meet in the morning on the second Tuesday of each month. Mrs. Cockrell gave an orientation to this group.

Foreign Policy In the absence of Mrs. Erickson, Mrs. Ashford reported on the arrangements for the general meeting in April stating it will be on April 11th, in the Trinity University Science Hall. This will be in the nature of a public meeting. She also announced a briefing on Foreign Policy on Monday night, March 13th.

National Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Willmott gave a report on the National Continuing Responsibilities.

State Constitutional Revision Mrs. Hausman read part of a summary of the Texas Constitutional Survey. The Presidents Council on the 22nd and 23rd of March in Austin was announced. Mrs. Ashford stated that delegates to the Presidents Council would be expected to give some direction to the Constitutional Revision study for next year. After discussion the Board agreed that an emphasis which would result in the League of Women Voters of Texas taking a position on County Home Rule would be what they would like. Such a position might result from the study of special phases of State-local relations suggested under 1 and 4 on page 6 of the Presidents Council work book.

Voters Registration Mrs. White and Mrs. Ashford asked for Board direction for State program on Voters Registration. The Board indicated a special interest in the study of registration records and administration of Poll tax, including the cost of administration.

County Home Rule Mrs. Cockrell reported on the developments of the County Home Rule, stating that there are two bills at the present time; Mr. Barlow's in the House and Mr. Gonzales in the Senate. She stated that a meeting of the Bexar County Home Rule Association was called and tended to favor the Senate bill. The League favors S.J.R. 18, and Mrs. Cockrell stated the wording was the same as that the League gave approval to in the January Board meeting.

City Survey Mrs. Ward stated her committee would follow the format used in the County Hand Book. The material is now being edited. She asked for suggestions of League people who could give technical help in art work, pricing, typing and layout.

School Survey Mrs. Ashford reported for Mrs. Barrera stating the School survey is going along well but helpers are still needed. Mrs. Cockrell announced that Mr. Portwood, superintendent of schools of the San Antonio Independent School District will be the speaker for the annual meeting on March 18th, Saturday at 9:45. She then read the names of some special guests.

Council Manager Government Mrs. Nolan reported on Council Manager Government. Mrs. Cockrell stated she had written to the City Manager and Mr. Mike Absher thanking them for the bus trip showing improvements made by the City. She also read a letter from Mr. Lynn Andrews thanking the League for the interest shown. It was suggested a pamphlet be printed containing 5 facts of County Home Rule, and 5 facts of County Manager Government, as a tool for the finance workers. It was also suggested that Constitutional Revision pamphlets be used or a list of new legislators. A discussion followed, and by consent of the Board it was agreed the matter be left to the discretion of the president, program vice-president and the finance Chairman.

Mrs. Cockrell spoke of the Presidents Council and requested written annual reports. Mrs. Cockrell called attention to the serious financial condition of the local League and asked the Board to give further consideration to the recommended pledge for State and National services. After much discussion, Mrs. Koch moved the League reduce the pledge to \$1,200.00 with the understanding that if the League does better financially, more will be given. Mrs. Ashford seconded the motion and it carried. This will be resented to the general membership meeting on March 18th. Mrs. Cockrell thanked all the Board members working with her during the year. The meeting adjourned at noon.

Eda Prassel, secretary

A call meeting of the Board of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., 303 Mary Louise Dr., March 24. The president called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, William B. Lecznar, R.E. Thatcher, A.B. Nolan, O. Paul Clark, Jr., Charles Erickson, Mario Barrera and Donald Taylor.

Six appointments to the Board remained to be filled. Mrs. Nolan moved that Mrs. George Wiedermann continue to handle publications. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Erickson and carried. A motion was made by Mrs. Lecznar and seconded by Mrs. Barrera that Mrs. R.H. Mottweiler be in charge of membership, and it carried. Mrs. Ashford moved that Mrs. John F. Willmott continue as Chairman of National Continuing Responsibilities; Mrs. Clark seconded and it carried. Mrs. Erickson moved that Mrs. Robert Hausman be Chairman of State Constitutional Revision; Mrs. Ashford seconded and it carried. Mrs. Thatcher moved that Miss Elizabeth Ellington be Chairman of Voter Registration; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Clark and carried. Mrs. Lecznar moved that Mrs. Thatcher explore the possibilities for Local Voter Editor and report her suggestions at the next Board meeting; Mrs. Erickson seconded and the motion carried.

On March 29 another Board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED] Dr., at 10:00 A.M., to consider legislation which is of interest to the League.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Harriet Taylor
Harriet Taylor, secretary

Minutes of the April, 1961, General Meeting
of the San Antonio League of Women Voters

A general meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held in the Science Lecture Hall of the MacLean Science Center at Trinity University on Tuesday, April 11.

The president called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM and appointed an Approval Committee for the minutes consisting of Mrs. Catherine Marr, Mrs. Frank A Riley and Mrs. Joe H. Ward, Jr.

The president announced two dinner meetings for Friday, April 14, which would be of special interest to League members; one which will be part of the Conference on Pan American Relations and the Theta Sigma Phi meeting related to Family Courts.

Mrs. Cockrell introduced Mrs. Charles Erickson, chairman of the Foreign Policy Committee which arranged the general meeting. Mrs. Erickson stated the National Current Agenda item and described the study of US economic policies that has taken place in units and workshops and by individuals during this League year. She introduced panelists Miss Betty Ellington, Mrs. Wm. Brockhausen and Mrs. Carl Reid, co-ordinator Mrs. Catherine Marr, and Dr. Horace Taylor economic expert now at Trinity University.

Miss Ellington described the trend in US Balance of Trade and the part that Foreign Trade plays in the economic life of the nation.

Mrs. Reid discussed US investment abroad indicating where it is invested, the difference between it and foreign investment in this country, half of which is in the form of bank drafts, bank balances, short term loans and other liquid assets.

Mrs. Brockhausen developed the history of foreign aid and pointed out the size of the benefits to humanity as well as the drain on US resources.

Dr. Taylor discussed the question, "Is America's Gold Supply in Danger?" and answered it in the affirmative. He suggested that the US gain a larger surplus in foreign trade through an increase in exports for which there is a need in countries that can pay cash for them, but that US inflation prevents successful competition. Dr. Taylor also mentioned that assumption of a larger part of mutual defense and assistance to other countries by our allies would be helpful. A question period followed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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The regular Board meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED], on April 12, 1961.

The president called the meeting to order at 10 A.M.

Copies of the names of officers and directors for 1961-62, the local program for 1961-62, and the by-laws as revised at the March, 1961, Annual Meeting were distributed.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, Warren E. Bessellieu, William B. Lecznar, John Willmott, A.B. Nolan, R.E. Thatcher, Robert Hausman, R.H. Mottweiler, A.R. Reeves, Mario Barrera, Charles Erickson, O. Paul Clark, Jr., Donald Taylor, State Board member Mrs. Albert Barstis, and Miss Betty Ellington.

The Treasurer's report of a balance of \$574.64 was given by Mrs. Nolan. It will be placed on file.

Nominating Committee Mrs. Lecznar nominated Mrs. Mottweiler to be one of the two Board representatives on the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Clark nominated Mrs. Thatcher to be the other Board representative. Mrs. Ashford moved that the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded and the nominations were approved.

Board Training The Board will request a Field Service representative from State to come and conduct a two day training session for Board members and as many unit leaders and committee members as possible.

First Vice President Mrs. Thatcher announced that Mrs. Stanley Schoenbaum is to resign as chairman of the Speakers Bureau, and a new chairman will be appointed.

Voters Service Mrs. Thatcher mentioned the lack of material to which to refer inquiring voters during the recent elections and the requests for endorsements of candidates by voters who do not know of the League's position on nonpartisanship.

Voter Editor Mrs. Cockrell announced that Mrs. Nolan has accepted the position of local Voter Editor.

Publications Mrs. Wiedermann reported that the History Department of the San Antonio Public Library is displaying TCR material, and that a report will be sent to the State Office. She will bring National Publications Catalogs to the next Board meeting.

Membership Mrs. Mottweiler announced that the membership is approximately 230 and that the Membership Committee is being organized.

Finance Mrs. Clark reported that \$1544.00 has thus far been received during the Finance drive, that many finance cards were still out, and the mop-up work is scheduled for the last week of April. Mrs. Cockrell volunteered to be a member of the Mop-up Committee.

Units Mrs. Bessellieu announced that nine units are organized and working, The Northeast without a chairman. She reported that the last three briefing sessions were well attended.

Budget Mrs. Cockrell appointed Mesdames Lecznar, Clark, and Hausman to work with Mrs. Smith as a Special Budget Committee to devise a revised budget and report at the June Board meeting. It does not appear that there will be enough money to follow the proposed budget. Mrs. Lecznar urged members to pay their dues and send in their member contributions.

Foreign Policy Mrs. Erickson reported that the April 11 General Meeting was an overall success, but that there was no interaction between the League panelists and Dr. Taylor and only a fair turnout of members.

National Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Willmott will write Senator Yarborough and Representative Kilday expressing League support of HR 4036 which grants Federal funds for the building of sewage disposal plants and for anti-pollution work. She reported that D.C. representation in the Electoral College is now law. Mrs. Willmott said that the River Authority Bill has passed the Senate. She mentioned that two bills increasing the scope of the Federal Industrial Security Program have been prepared by the House Un-American Activities Committee and were in committee.

State Constitutional Revision Mrs. Hausman stated that the Texas Legislative Council's study of the State Constitution did not reach the same conclusions on the need for revision as the League. A summary and recommendations by the Citizens Advisory Committee will be coming from State Board. In response to a Call for Action on HB 12 calling for research on the Executive Department and agencies letters of support were sent by Mrs. Cockrell.

City Survey Mrs. Ashford reported that Mrs. Ward and her committee are making progress toward the completion of the city handbook.

School Survey Mrs. Barrera announced that work is beginning on the Lackland School District and requested information pertaining to other federally supported schools.

Council-Manager Government Mrs. Reeves was introduced as chairman of this C.R. to replace Mrs. Nolan.

County Home Rule Mrs. Cockrell announced that the County Home Rule Amendment was voted out of Senate Committee favorably with no dissenting votes.

Program Unit program content for May and June was discussed. Council-Manager Government and State C.R. #3 pertaining to an effective judicial structure were suggestions offered for the May meetings. Discussion of some of the questions in "Hard Choices" using some of the material presented by Dr. Taylor at the general meeting, and the World Court and Connally Amendment were suggested for June as topics for a possible joint unit meeting.

Mrs. Thatcher recommended including a copy of the questionnaire sent to the League regarding the educational TV station in the local Voter. These could be filled in by members and collected at ubit meetings.

Mrs. Cockrell announced two dinners on Friday, April 14, at which topics of League interest would be discussed.

Mrs. Erickson suggested that 15-20 minutes be set aside at alternate Board meetings for a discussion of overall questions in which Board members share a need for help and discussion. It was agreed that this would be a useful procedure.

Mrs. Wiedermann announced that most of the Board members' National Subscription Service would be expiring shortly. In order to remove this expense from the budget Mrs. Clark moved that six new subscriptions be requested, the total cost to be shared by the Board members. Mrs. Reeves seconded the motion and it carried. Arrangements will be made by Mrs. Wiedermann.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Harriet Taylor
Harriet Taylor, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. S.E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED], on May 10, 1961.

The president called the meeting to order at 10 A.M.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Ben Benson, A.R. Reeves, R.E. Thatcher, William B. Lecznar, O. Paul Clark, Gerald Ashford, Charles Ericksen, Edwin DeLand Smith, George Wiedermann, A.B. Nolan, John Willmott, Robert Hausman, Joe Ward, Jr., Donald Taylor, Miss Betty Ellington, and State Board member, Mrs. Albert Barstis.

Minutes of the regular April Board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Smith reported a balance of \$1091.75. Her report was placed on file.

First Vice President Mrs. Thatcher met with Mesdames Barstis, Benson, and Nolan to discuss the functions of the Public Relations area. Suggestions were made to offer the newspapers a Voter's Guide for the Senatorial run-off election, that there were too few Voters Service volunteers, monthly general meetings might produce stronger identification with League as a whole, that the League did not receive enough publicity, public awareness of the League might be stimulated through increasing contacts by methods such as neighborhood poll-taking, and that insufficient amounts of materials were being given to contributors. Mrs. Reeves moved that the Voter's Guide be mimeographed and sent to members. Mrs. Clark seconded the motion and it carried. A letter of appreciation for the League's poll tax paying service for teachers in the San Antonio Independent School District was read by Mrs. Benson.

A letter requesting the date for the T.V. Program centering about "Hard Choices" was sent to the executive producer by Mrs. Thatcher. The Board agreed that she fill in the questionnaire about the type of programs the League would be interested in having presented by the educational T.V. station KLRN.

Local Voter Mrs. Nolan recommended that the stencils be checked as well as the copy in an effort to reduce errors.

Publications Mrs. Wiedermann estimated that sharing the special subscription service would cost each Board member \$2.44.

Second Vice President Mrs. Lecznar reported for Mrs. Mottweiler that the Membership Committee is not yet completely organized. It is anticipated that each member will be a unit representative and function in a position on the Committee as well.

Units Mrs. Lecznar announced that Mrs. Bessellieu has sent in a resignation as Unit Organization Chairman. Mrs. Cockrell suggested it not be accepted until Mrs. Bessellieu's status is clarified and it is known whether she may still serve on the Board. The Northeast Day Unit now has Mrs. Jefferson as leader and Mrs. O'Hair as assistant. Mrs. Bessellieu has resigned as chairman of the Olmos Unit. The Highland Park Unit will nominate for Board approval a leader, co-leader and membership chairman. The next briefing will be held at the home of Mrs. Lecznar.

Finance Mrs. Clark noted that almost all the units are represented on the new Finance Committee. She mentioned the two chief problems encountered in the last Finance Drive; (1) that it lasted too long because cards were held without being worked and (2) there was a lack of workers. A report of the 1961 Finance Drive up to this point was passed among members; 147 of the 186 cards assigned have been completed, and \$2042.00 of the \$2750.00 goal has been obtained. Volunteers were requested to contact prospects in order to reach \$500.00 more. Mrs. Cockrell reminded the Board that the \$1500.00 commitment for state and national services must be met.

Foreign Policy Mrs. Ericksen has prepared briefing material for the June joint unit meetings. The meetings will be primarily of a discussion type since background has already been given, and assistance in discussion techniques will be provided for unit leaders.

National Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Willmott reported that she has written Representative Kilday expressing League support of HR 4036 granting federal funds for the building of sewage disposal plants and for anti-pollution measures.

State Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Hausman mentioned that some units spent so much of their last unit meetings on Council-Manager Government that they did not review the judicial system at all. Mrs. Ashford said that the final recommendations of the Citizens' Advisory Committee suggest that legislation dealing with State Constitutional Revision include an amendment providing for the amendment of the State Constitution to remove the deadwood, as well as legislation establishing a Constitutional Commission.

Voter Registration Miss Ellington has written a letter of support for proposed amendments to abolish the poll tax as a method of registration for voting and to adopt a uniform method of voter registration throughout the state to Representatives Berry and Alaniz on the House Constitutional Amendments Committee.

County Home Rule Mrs. Ashford reported that SJR 18 has yet to pass a third reading in the Senate. No agreement could be reached with Representative Barlow about the content of his County Home Rule Amendment. Mrs. Cockrell referred to a newspaper article in which Representative Barlow is said to have suggested that 1951 enabling legislation would permit a county-wide vote for Home Rule without a constitutional amendment. She concluded that it is doubtful that a workable, constitutionally acceptable charter could be worked out without constitutional amendment.

Board Training May 24 and 25 are the dates set for Board training. Many questions were suggested to ask the State Board representative. Some centered around the development of effective unit organization, the relationship between the units and the Membership Committee, the time lag between adoption of the budget and the Finance Drive, and stimulating members to active participation.

Despite the numerous problems mentioned, Mrs. Cockrell observed that over the past year the San Antonio League has acquired 25 additional members, maintained nine working units and its briefings have improved in both presentation and representation.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M.

Harriet Taylor
Harriet Taylor, secretary

The regular Board meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. William B. Lecznar, [REDACTED], on July 12, 1961.

The president called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, R.E. Thatcher, Wm. B. Lecznar, O. Paul Clark, George Wiedermann, and Donald Taylor and Miss Elizabeth Ellington.

Treasurer's Report A balance of \$1068.78 was reported and the report will be placed on file.

Resignations Mrs. Cockrell announced that two letters of resignation have been received. Mrs. Ashford moved that the Board accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Charles Erickson; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Clark and carried. Miss Ellington moved that the resignation of Mrs. Nolan be accepted with regret, Mrs. Wiedermann seconded, and it carried. Letters of acceptance will be sent to the former Foreign Policy chairman and to the former local Voter editor.

Second Vice President Mrs. Lecznar distributed copies of the proposed revised budget drawn up by her committee to review the budget. A 10 % cut in almost all items of the Adopted 1961-62 budget as suggested by the committee would result in a total decrease of \$900.00 in expenditures. The changes proposed would be a one year program to build up the depleted reserve fund. Mrs. Clark moved that the revised budget of the revision committee be accepted and the motion carried. Copies of the revision will be sent to absent Board members.

Units Reorganization of units to all have two officers, a unit chairman responsible for the physical arrangement of unit meetings including phoning, making reports, general announcements, etc. and a discussion leader who would attend briefings, lead discussion and have no administrative functions was suggested. Persons would receive training for each of the two types of functions at separate workshops.

Finance Mrs. Clark's Finance Committee met on July 6 and set up a schedule for 1961-62. It suggested training team captains who would in turn train finance workers. The Board expressed doubt about the committee's ordering 100 calendars because the profit is very small and the labor considerable. Mrs. Wiedermann moved that the plan of the Finance Committee be approved subject to final calendar arrangements and with the reservation that a decision concerning the ordering of calendars be withheld until the August Board meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

First Vice President Mrs. Cockrell reported for Mrs. Thatcher. Mrs. Cockrell suggested that the handbook, "Key to the City", be entered in competition to receive the Club Project Award of the Express and News. Mrs. Lecznar moved that the San Antonio league submit an entry, Mrs. Clark seconded and the motion carried. A statement describing the project will be composed by Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Thatcher will prepare a scrapbook of clippings, statements by officials, etc., concerning the project.

The need to plan promotion for the handbook was mentioned. Mrs. Wiedermann reported the number of orders thusfar received from places where the handbook would be sold. She announced plans for making further contacts. Mrs. Cockrell suggested that Mrs. Ward be praised for her work on the handbook in the next Voter.

Third Vice President Mrs. Ashford reported that new Board members are needed in the program areas of Voter Registration, the Local Welfare item, two county items and a Legislative chairman.

Foreign Policy Miss Ellington urged members to contact their congressmen and others in the community in support of the adoption of President Kennedy's Foreign Aid program.

Miss Ellington announced that Foreign Policy meetings will be held the second Monday of each month with livlier meetings characterized by debates and discussion. Each member will be responsible for a particular aspect of League's stand on Foreign Policy.

The chairman of the U.N. Luncheon will be contacted about plans to participate in that event.

County Home Rule Mrs. Cockrell reported that Representative Barlow plans to ask the Texas Legislative Council to study the 1933 Home Rule Amendment. Mrs. Ashford suggested letting Representative Barlow know that the League is interested in his plan in order to keep the issue alive. Mrs. Cockrell will write him.

Americanism Seminar On Sept. 22 and 23 the Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a seminar program on Americanism which is to be in the nature of national defense. The League has been asked to co-sponsor the project along with other groups including the Army, D.A.R., Business and Professional Women, American Legion, and others. Speakers are associated with the F.B.I. and national security. Topics include "The Threat We Face, American Communist Activity, Collectivism in Education, National Sovereignty vs. International Socialism." Members expressed an interest in participating in a project with other groups in the community, but a decision will be withheld until further information about the program is obtained. Participation will be considered at the August Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Janet Taylor,
secretary

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Minutes of August 9, 1961

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The regular Board meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith, [REDACTED], on August 9, 1961.

The president called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, R.H. Mottweiler, William B. Lecznar, A.R. Reeves, Edwin DeLand Smith, John Willmott, Mario Barrera, Robert Hausman, Donald Taylor and guests Mrs. Carl Reed and Mrs. John Holden.

Minutes of the regular May Board meeting were read and approved. The second line of the report of the Second Vice President was amended to read, "The revised 1961-62 budget as suggested by the committee would result in a total decrease of \$900.00 in expenditures," in the minutes of the regular July Board meeting. The July minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Smith reported that there was a \$1159.88 balance in the treasury. Half the cost of the city handbook has been paid and \$306.00 is due September 1. The pledge payment for the first quarter of the State pledge is to be sent in.

First Vice President A scrapbook and letter describing League work on "Key to the City" has been submitted to the Club Project competition of the San Antonio Express and News.

Voters Service Because no Congressional election date has been set, no definite plans for a Voters Guide have yet been made.

Finance Mrs. Lecznar described Finance Committee interest in a Member Contribution Drive. Mrs. Reeves moved that the committee proceed with plans for a member contribution drive. The motion was seconded and carried.

There was no Board sentiment in favor of reordering calendars because there was so little profit last year.

Members still holding cards for the Special Finance Drive were urged to return them because the drive has become so extended.

Membership Mrs. Mottweiler announced that Thelma Barr is to be the Records Chairman of the Membership Committee. An orientation meeting is planned for the beginning of the year. The committee has suggested a brief orientation period at the beginning of unit meetings dealing with the topics to be discussed. The Membership Committee will be represented at general meetings in order to provide information and take names of persons interested in League membership. There will also be work on the unit and individual levels on increasing membership and following up interested individuals.

Units Mrs. Holden and Mrs. Reed discussed the possibility of reactivating the Northeast Night unit and concluded that a plan of stimulating neighborhood interest in a less formal manner would be a suitable alternative.

Program Mrs. Ashford announced that program would need to be planned at all levels. It was agreed that October would be reserved for national issues, November for State items, and December and January for local topics. Unit orientation and organization was suggested for the September meetings. Because the U.S. Study Commission report is yet to come Mrs. Willmott mentioned February or March for a program on water: she also indicated the need for members on the Water Committee.

State Continuing Responsibilities Mrs. Hausman announced that material on methods of constitutional revision will be available for November meetings. She said that the TCR Committee needs to be activated.

Voter Registration Voter Registration will be studied this year and a chairman is still needed.

School Survey Mrs. Barrera announced that the Alamo Heights survey will be published this fall. The Northeast Independent School District and the Lackland district are still being studied. The San Antonio Independent School District will be begun in the fall.

Council Manager Government Mrs. Reeves mentioned that a new member, Mrs. Jack Bryant, has begun substituting for her as Council observer when necessary.

Americanism Seminar Because no further information has been made available to the League concerning the exact nature of the Americanism Seminar sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce Mrs. Lecznar moved that that San Antonio League express its regrets at being unable because its policy limits such participation to co-sponsor the project. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell announced a meeting for August 17 to fill vacancies.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

*Harriet Taylor,
secretary*

Minutes of September 13, 1961

The regular September meeting of the Board of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith, [REDACTED], on Wednesday, September 13, 1961.

The president called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Present were Mesdames: S.E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, R.E. Thatcher, William B. Lecznar, John Willmott, Edwin DeLand Smith, Robert Hausman, R.H. Mottweiler, R.L. Massar, Donald Taylor, Miss Betty Ellington, and Mrs. Albert Barstis.

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Smith reported a balance of \$667.04. One-fourth of the state pledge is paid. A six months' analysis of the budget will be prepared for October.

Board Appointments Mrs. Lecznar moved and Mrs. Smith seconded approval of the appointment of Mrs. Massar as local Voter Editor, Mrs. Harold Vexsler as chairman of the local welfare item and Mrs. Barstis as temporary chairman of Voters Service.

Publications Public schools in the city will be contacted concerning the distribution of the city handbook.

Voters Service Mrs. Barstis described plans for distribution of the new Voter's Key. Mrs. Willmott moved that the type and distribution of order blanks be left up to Mrs. Barstis and Mrs. Thatcher. Mrs. Lecznar seconded and the motion carried. Mrs. Barstis moved that an initial order of 2000 copies of the Voter's Key be placed; Mrs. Ashford seconded and this motion also carried.

Suggestions for the questionnaire to be answered by candidates for State offices in the spring were proposed. Questions about Texas' fiscal problems, water plan, revision legislation and permanent voter registration were suggested for candidates for the Legislature, Governor, Lt. Governor, etc. Candidates for Commissioners' posts would describe problems of their offices and their proposed solutions. Judges could be asked to suggest how they would improve the Texas court system.

Mrs. Thatcher is to make arrangements for the collection of poll taxes. She also announced that booths will be set up at shopping centers for the sale of "Key to the City".

Voter Editor Mrs. Massar urged members to submit material that they wish to have published to her. The Board agreed that publication and distribution of the local Voter be moved up to a few days before the first of the month.

Units Mrs. Lecznar mentioned that units will be strongly urged to submit dates for their meetings far enough in advance that they not hold up publication of the Voter. She announced a briefing on September 25 at the home of Mrs. J.C. Ellington for the October unit meetings and a briefing for the November meetings on October 23 at the home of Mrs. Robert Hausman. A workshop on the subject of discussion techniques will be held on October 30.

Membership Representatives of the Membership Committee will appear at general meetings wearing name tags so that they may be easily identified.

Finance A luncheon will be held for Finance team captains following Board meeting on a regular Board meeting day this fall. They will be responsible for recruiting five team members each and meeting with and training these members for finance work.

Third Vice President Mrs. Ashford announced the following October Calendar dates:

October 9 Foreign Policy Workshop

October 11 Board Meeting

October 23 Briefing

October 24 UN Luncheon and tea from 4-6 PM at Mrs. Cockrell's honoring Mrs. Dial, UN Day chairman, and presidents of co-operating women's organizations

Foreign Policy Miss Ellington announced that the next meeting of the Foreign Policy committee would cover program plans, and that it and all subsequent meetings through June would be held at the home of Mrs. George Widemann, 123 E. Cheryl.

General Meeting Many topics were suggested for League Panel to consider at the September General meeting; some of those included were disarmament, foreign policy, water, orientation on the manner in which the League makes its program. It is hoped that through member discussion ideas and areas of concern at the national level will be brought out.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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The General Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met at the Madison Square Presbyterian Church, 319 Camden, on September 27, 1961 at 10:00 a.m.

Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr. President presided.

The Minutes Approval Committee included Mrs. Clayton Scott, Mrs. James Barlow and Mrs. William Preddy.

Mrs. Cockrell, explained the change in the budget and indicated that members would receive a copy of the revision.

Mrs. R. H. Mottweiler introduced the visitors, Mrs. Allen Chessher, and Miss Anne Vogelsang and new members Mrs. Malcolm McDougal and Mrs. Louis White.

Miss Betty Ellington presented aspects of foreign policy: "Where it is and Where it might Go." Mrs. John Willmott gave a review of "Continuing Responsibilities," with particular emphasis on "Loyalty-Security." Mrs. Gerald Ashford gave ideas as to what might be done in studying "The Role of the Federal Government in Education" or "Disarmament" if either are chosen as National Study Topics.

A question period followed the program.

Announcements made by Mrs. Cockrell concerned League attendance at a closed circuit TV program on the U.N. and a U.N. Day Luncheon at Villita Assembly Hall on October 24, 1961 to be followed by a tea at the home of Mrs. Cockrell, 303 Mary Louise Dr. honoring Mrs. Preston Bial, who has served for many years as Chairman of the U. N. Day activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully,

Mrs. R. E. White
Acting Secretary

MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

The regular November meeting of the Board of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., [REDACTED], on Wednesday, November 8, 1961. The President called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Present were Mesdames; S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Gerald Ashford, William B. Lecznar, Albert Barstis, R. S. Massar, O. P. Clark, Jr., Archie Reeves, John Wilmott, Robert Hausman, R. H. Mottweiler, R. E. Thatcher, Carl Reed, Harold Vexler, Raymond White.

Treasurer's Report: In the absence of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., presented the Treasurer's report, noting that \$75 had been received from dues and contributions; that one-half of the state pledge had been paid; and that the present balance was approximately \$600.

Board Resignation and Appointment: The Board accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Donald Taylor from her position as Board Secretary.

The appointment of Mrs. M. L. McDougall to the position vacated by Mrs. Taylor was moved by Mrs. Lecznar, seconded by Mrs. Massar, and accepted unanimously by the Board.

I FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Cockrell, on behalf of the San Antonio League, extended thanks to Mrs. R. E. Thatcher and her committee for their fine contribution to the success of the Candidates Meeting of the Air, broadcast in cooperation with KENS radio November 13, 1961.

Mrs. Thatcher announced that Mr. Herb Carl, representing KENS radio suggested that the League cooperate with KENS radio in future Candidates Meetings of the Air on the eve of every election.

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AVoters Service

Mrs. Barstis announced that approximately 5000-6000 Voters Keys had been distributed with the help of Sears and the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Barstis announced further that deputies to sell poll taxes to the San Antonio Independent Schools had been recruited from among League members, and that an orientation meeting would be held for them at the home of Mrs. Robert Hausman on November 29.

Mrs. Cockrell suggested that a mock precinct convention be arranged by the Voters Service Committee as a Spring project.

No report from Publications or Voter editor.

II SECOND VICE PRESIDENT A. Membership

Mrs. Mottweiler announced that the membership list will be distributed with the December Voter.

B. Finance

Mrs. O. Paul Clark, Jr., suggested that letters to contributors be printed rather than hand typed, as previously planned. The cost of printing was estimated as \$17.50 for 300. Mrs. Clark also announced that there would be a luncheon given by the Finance Committee following the November meeting to acquaint board members with their duties as Finance Drive Captains.

C. Units

Mrs. Cockrell reminded Board members of the General Meeting to be held November 13 at which luncheon will be served and at which State Legislators and their wives will be invited guests.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford reported that the November Briefing was well attended and well

presented.

Mrs. Lecznar posed the problem of changing Briefings and asked for discussion from the Board. Three alternatives for changing the time of Briefings were presented, as follows: a) A Day Briefing b) An Evening Briefing, or, c) alternating between day and evening briefings, so that one month the Briefing would be during the day, and the next month would be in the evening. No consensus was reached.

III THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

Members of the Board were requested to suggest names of people who could refill the vacancy left by Mrs. Barrera as School Survey Chairman and to present them at the November Briefing.

National Program Suggestions

At the request of Mrs. Ashford, a committee was appointed by Mrs. Cockrell to study suggestions submitted by local units to reach a consensus. The committee as appointed is to consist of Miss Elizabeth Ellington, Mrs. Willmott, Mrs. Wiedermann, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. Ashford. A special Board meeting was arranged for 10:00 AM November 13 to vote on the suggestions submitted by the committee.

Mrs. Ashford read and discussed National Program suggestions submitted by local units.

Mrs. Cockrell suggested that Board members think of candidates for vacancies that will occur on the Board and to submit their suggestions to Mrs. Thatcher or Mrs. Mottweiler, Board representatives on the Nominating Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

The above minutes were read at December 13, 1961 Board Meeting.

There were no corrections or additions and minutes stand approved as read.

JAN 5 REC'D

The Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met at 11 A.M. on November 16, 1961, at the Grace Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, President, presiding. Those present were: Mesdames S. E. Cockrell, Jr., Wm. B. Lecznar, Gerald Ashford, Malcolm McDougall, George Wiederman, John Willmott, H. Mottweiler, R. S. Massar, Carl Reed, O. Paul Clark, Jr., and Miss Betty Ellington.

Mrs. Cockrell asked the Board Members for further suggestions or changes after hearing the report of the Program Committee on suggested National program, in which Mrs. Ashford, Chairman of the Program Committee, brought to the Board the thinking of her committee as represented in the report. After discussion some slight revision of Item #1 was made. It now reads as follows:

"Continued support of U.S. Economic Policies which promote world development and maintain a sound U.S. economy.

- a. Study the impact of regional economic organizations and blocs on U.S. Economic Policy.
- b. Study the effect of agricultural subsidies on regional trade arrangements and world economic development.
- c. Promote citizen understanding of the importance of world trade in the Cold War."

It was moved by Mrs. Ashford that this item be adopted. Motion was carried.

A second Current Agenda item was recommended by the Program Committee with the understanding that the San Antonio League would approve a 2-item Current Agenda if the second item was a domestic one, and a fresh new one, designed to attract new members, such as:

A study of government programs for consumer protection.

After discussion by the Board Members Mrs. Ashford moved that this item be adopted. The motion failed to pass.

It was recommended by the Program Committee that the Continuing Responsibilities 1 through 7 be continued and if the Foreign Policy item is dropped from the Current Agenda, that it be included in the Continuing Responsibilities. The C.R.'s are as follows:

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| C.R.1- Water Resources | CR 4 - Self Government for D.C. |
| CR 2- United Nations | CR 5 - Item Veto |
| CR 3- Loyalty-Security | CR 6 - Limitations on Tax Rates |
| CR 7 - Opposition to constitutional changes
limiting existing powers. | |

Motion to this effect was made by Mrs. Ashford. Motion was carried.

Runners up for proposed Current Agenda are as follows:

1. Study of the role of Federal Government in education.
2. Study of Presidential Election Process.

This will be noted in the report to National.

During the program-making members frequently expressed the wish that the League could find a way to provide leadership in emphasizing the values and responsibilities of the American way of life in answer to the threats posed by Communism. The Board is working on proposals for an expanded Voters Service Program which will be sent to National office along with our Program suggestions. While we propose this as a National League undertaking, one of the important suggestions will be

that each League search out and use opportunities for citizenship activities at the Local level.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted

Marguerite McDougall

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall
Secretary

The above minutes were read at December
13, 1961 Board Meeting.

There were no corrections or additions
and minutes stand approved as read.

JAN 31 REC'D

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of the San Antonio League met on December 13, 1961, at the home of Mrs. Edwin Smith. The President, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, Jr., called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M.

Present at the meeting were Mesdames: S. E. Cockrell, Jr., R. E. Thatcher, William B. Lecznar, M. L. McDougall, Edwin Smith, Albert Barstis, George Wiedermann, R. S. Massar, O. Paul Clark, Jr., R. W. Mottweiler, John Willmott and Robert Hausman.

The minutes of the November 8 regular Board meeting and those of the Special Board meeting of November 16 were read by the Secretary. Minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Edwin D. Smith reported cash on hand November 8, 1961 \$581.24.

Income

Dues, Contributions, publications, Voters' Key and Handbooks\$148.00

Expenditures

Postage, Finance, Public Relations, supplies
Voters, Voters' Service and Publications 348.91
Balance on Hand \$380.33

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Public Relations

Mrs. Thatcher announced the Candidates' Meeting on Friday, December 15, when people will be needed to answer the telephones at KENS Radio Station between the hours of 6:10 and 7 P.M. Mrs. Thatcher reported that more activity is anticipated on publicity during January.

Voters Service

National recommendations have been sent in regarding Voters Service. Mrs. Barstis reported that to date 27 persons have been deputized for the collection of the poll taxes; all schedules have been assigned, totaling 135, which includes San Antonio College, day and night sessions.

Publications

Mrs. Wiedermann announced that most schools in the city, both public and parochial, and librarians, have been contacted on the "Key" with no response to date. A follow-up letter will be sent. Fifty-two persons have indicated they wanted the Local Subscription Service and, up to date, 39 have subscribed. Six Special Subscriptions are being shared by the board members.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Briefing Meeting

Mrs. Lecznar announced that the January Briefing meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Massar. Mrs. Lecznar commended members of the Resource Committee on their excellent work.

Membership

Mrs. Mottweiler reported that plans are under way to revise the membership questionnaire and bring the membership file up to date with a current record of the entire membership, if possible. Mrs. Mottweiler would like suggestions for the improvement of the questionnaire.

Finance

Mrs. Clark announced that there will be a training session in January for Finance Drive solicitors.

Mrs. Clark reported that since there were only two or three people available to distribute the "Key" they would be mailed out to past contributors.

Units

Mrs. Lecznar reported on the Units as follows:

Olmos - Attendance has improved but have no leader.

Midtown - Remains pretty much the same.

San Pedro - Doing very well--attendance has improved.

Jefferson - The best organized and functioning unit we have.

Alamo Heights - Doing extremely well--attendance good.

North Town - Doing pretty well--attendance average.

Highland Park - No leader as such but at last two meetings have done their own arranging of material presentation. Need orientation on policies and procedures.

Lackland - Requested they be put on an inactive basis. Would like to meet with Jefferson Unit for a while.

Northeast - Should be de-activated. Membership has been down for about a year. In the light of Mrs. Lecznar's evaluation of Lackland and Northeast Units--one to be put on a deactivated status and the other to disband, it is the consent of the Board that these recommendations be carried out and we shall consider the above matter acted upon.

THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

Following is Mrs. Ashford's report sent to the meeting because of her absence:

REPORT of Suggestions for State Current Agenda

Suggestions for State Current Agenda were discussed at Unit meetings in November and at the November general meeting, November 16. Suggestions submitted as a result are:

- I. Work Toward Revision of the Texas Constitution by:
 - A. Stimulating citizen interest and participation
 - B. Continued support for a thorough research program
 - C. Study of Constitutional provisions relating to state-local relations.

- II. Support of a permanent personal Voter Registration system for Texas.

Also discussed were water problems and support of County Home Rule. It was recommended that we retain CR's as presently worded.

National CR'S

Mrs. Willmott reported that Mr. Victor Braunig of the San Antonio River Authority, has accepted our invitation to be the speaker at the April meeting.

Local Program

Council Manager Government

In Mrs. Reeves' absence, Mrs. Cockrell reported that this committee is functioning. They are observing at City Hall where an attempt is being made to reactivate the Citizens' Charter Group with recommendations to revise the City Charter so that the office of Mayor can be put on the ballot for popular vote. Should this happen the League will be committed to opposing the action.

Welfare Item

Mrs. Vedler reported that this subject should be broken down into long and short range study. The long range project would do as a continuation of the project. However, as a starting point her recommendation is the study of one agency operation; do one item well and then see what is to be done in all fields, with emphasis on services. Concentrate on the one most important agency, i.e., City-County Public Welfare Department.

At 12 o'clock Mrs. Hausman moved that if there was no further business to come before the Board that the meeting be adjourned.

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall

Recording Secretary

The January meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held in the home of Mrs. R.S. Massar, [REDACTED], on January 17, 1962.

The president called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M.

Those present were Mesdames Ashford, Clark, Cockrell, Hausman, Lecznar, Massar, McDougall, Mottweiler, Read, Vexler and Willmott. Off-board Meetings Chairman, Mrs. Francis Koch was present as an observer.

The secretary read the minutes of the December 13, 1961 meeting, which were approved as read.

The president announced the resignation of Mrs. R. E. Thatcher as first vice-president, due to illness in her family. The resignation was accepted with regret by the Board.

Special Business and Reports

By-Laws Committee: Mrs. Lecznar reported for the By-Laws Committee. The complete report is attached to the minutes. Mrs. Lecznar explained the proposed changes and moved that the board recommend the proposed changes to the membership. The motion was seconded and carried. After further discussion, in which it was pointed out that Article V, Section 3, was still not in conformity with the recommended local League by-laws, Mrs. Lecznar moved that the previous motion, as it applied to Article V, Section 3, be rescinded. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Lecznar then moved that the board recommend the following amendment to Article V, Section 3, by substituting: "Section 3, the Vice-Presidents. The three Vice-Presidents, in the order of their rank, shall, in the event of the absence, disability, or death of the President, possess all the powers and perform all the duties of that office, until such time as the Board of Directors shall elect one of its members to fill the vacancy. The Vice-Presidents shall perform such other duties as the President and Board may designate." The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell requested that the board members think about the duties of the vice presidents between now and the next board meeting. The question has been raised as to whether the present plan of the vice-presidents serving in a supervisory capacity should be continued, or whether they should be assigned specific portfolios.

Budget Committee: Mrs. Clark gave the report of the budget committee, which is attached to the minutes. The total proposed budget for 1962-63 is \$3450.00. In reviewing the proposed budget, the board agreed informally, to change two items--raise the Units from \$10 to \$25, and lower Membership from \$50 to \$35, the totals being the same. Mrs. Clark moved that this revised budget be recommended to the membership. Motion was seconded and carried. Board discussion was held on bookkeeping practices in regards to Publications, and it was agreed that publications ordered for use in the units should be charged to units or resource committees. The hope was expressed that with continued sale of the City Handbooks, the deficit in that account at the present time could be reduced.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Clark reported on final plans for the finance campaign, with the Kick-Off Coffee on February 6th. All contributors have received a copy of "Key to the City", some of which were distributed by hand and some were mailed. The finance letter has been mailed to all prospects. Mrs. Clark reported that recruitment of finance workers is not coming up to her expectations, and she hopes for fullest board cooperation.

Nominating Committee Report: Mrs. Cockrell stated that Mrs. B. H. Passmore, Chairman, would file the report of the Nominating Committee with the Voter Editor for publication in the February Voter.

Program Committee Report: Mrs. Ashford, Program Vice-President, reviewed the suggestions for local program which had been received from units and individual members. The majority seemed to favor a continuation of the present program for another year. Mrs. Ashford moved that the board recommend to the membership the present program as the proposed program for 1962-63. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Ashford then reviewed current status of these items and possible scope in the future.

Annual Meeting: The president asked the board to set the date of the Annual Meeting. After some discussion, it was moved by Mrs. Massar that the Annual Meeting be held Thursday, March 22, at 7:30 P.M. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Koch, Meetings Chairman, was asked to make the arrangements with the help of Mrs. Lecznar and Mrs. Cockrell. Mrs. Harold Vexler offered her home.

State Convention: The president announced that State Convention would be held March 27-29 in Edinburg. She called attention to some matters which were pending.

State By-Laws Changes--most of the proposed amendments would bring the State by-Laws into conformity with National standards. There is one controversial proposal which will be brought up - shall State Convention be held in the ODD numbered years. Our board members and delegates should study the pros and cons.

Delegates to State Convention--The president announced that the San Antonio League would be entitled to twenty voting delegates in addition to the President. She called attention to the fact that we have only \$50 appropriated for this purpose. Mrs. Willmott moved that we allocate \$200 which had been earmarked for National, to State Convention delegates. Motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Lecznar moved that we allow \$25 expense money to each of ten delegates, and if fewer went, the money would be further divided. The motion was seconded and carried.

State Pledge--The president stated that the San Antonio League has been asked to pledge \$1500 to State and National services. It is assumed that we will be able to make this pledge, provided the proposed budget is approved at the Annual Meeting.

Other Reports:

Units: Mrs. Lecznar reported that the next briefing session will be at the home of Mrs. Harold Vexler on Monday, January 22, at 9:30 A.M.

Membership: Mrs. Mottweiler reported that the questionnaires would be mimeographed soon; there had been no changes in the form. An Orientation Coffee will be held in early March.

County Items: The County Budget hearing will be held on Monday, Jan. 22, at 10:00 A.M. The League will be represented by Mrs. Passmore and Mrs. Cockrell.

Mrs. Cockrell reminded the board members to submit their annual reports at the February Board Meeting. Also, those who have blue sheets -- part of the State and National report should have those in by the February Board Meeting also. The February Board Meeting will be at Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith's home.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall
Secretary

San Antonio

File

Minutes of the Board Meeting -- February 14, 1962

The February meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, 606 [redacted], on February 14, 1962.

In the absence of the President, the Second Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. B. Lecznar, called the meeting to order at 10 A.M.

Those present were Mesdames Ashford, Barstis, Clark, Hausman, Lecznar, McDougall, Mottweiler, Reeves, Smith and Vexler. Two visitors were present, Mrs. William Brockhausen of the Alamo Heights Unit and Mrs. Arthur L. Majors of the Lackland Unit.

The minutes, which had been mailed to the members of the Board, were approved as recorded.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Smith reported that the yearly income has been \$3793.36; the expenditures were \$2697.71, leaving a balance on hand of \$1095.65.

Finance Committee:

Mrs. Clark reported that after one week \$1605.50 was collected from 104 contributors. Mop-up dates will be February 27 and 28 and the drive will close March 1st with a Victory Coffee at Oak Hills Country Club.

Membership Committee:

Mrs. Mottweiler reported that the committee had met and discussed plans for a coffee to be held at the home of Mrs. Cockrell on March 16, which would honor members who had joined the League during the past year. Mrs. Fay Sinkin will be asked to talk informally about the League in general and its accomplishments in San Antonio. Members of the Board will also be present to greet the new members.

Units:

The next briefing session will be held on Monday, February 19 at the home of Mrs. Lecznar. The subject: "State Program" and "Looking towards State Convention."

Voters Service:

Mrs. Barstis reported the results of the poll tax drive. 28 deputies wrote a total of 4,643 poll tax receipts. Mrs. Barstis questioned whether our efforts are being put to the best use. Shall we go into chain stores and other public places where more people congregate?

The consensus of members of the Voters Service Committee was that it would be inadvisable to do a Voters Guide on the Primary Elections inasmuch as there are approximately 100 candidates and the cost would be prohibitive.

The Women's Federated Club president, Mrs. Frank Galusha, has asked if the League would furnish some sort of citizenship booklet or material to the newly naturalized citizens in early March, when the Federation holds its regular reception for these new citizens. Motion was made by Mrs. Ashford that the Voters' Service Committee be authorized to furnish Voters' Keys to the Federated Club if this is the most practical way to co-operate. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Barstis reported plans which are in progress for a political fair. The purpose of the fair would be to inform voters on how to participate in a precinct convention. The Granada Ballroom will be available on Thursday, April 12 at a cost of \$200. It is hoped that income from the rental of candidates' booths would

defray the cost of rent. A both for League publications and League membership should not be overlooked. The tentative plans as presented by Mrs. Barstis were acceptable to the Board.

Publications:

There have been recent sales but checks have not yet been received.

In the Area of Third Vice President:

Mrs. Ashford reported subject matter for the March meetings will be: Workbook for State Convention, especially By-Laws changes, review of State-Local relations, and review of election laws.

Continuing Responsibilities will be - Voter Registration and Constitutional Revision.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ashford that the Board indicate to the State Office our approval of the proposed program. Motion was seconded and carried.

On the National Level we have a two-part proposed Current Agenda: 1) Evaluation of the United Nations, 2) Continuation of our study of world economic policies.

All National Continuing Responsibilities are proposed be kept in effect as now.

The Foreign Policy Workshop met Monday, February 12. Miss Ellington is preparing a letter reflecting our thinking as regards the Trade consensus.

C.A. Item -- Local School Survey

Mrs. Arthur L. Majors of the Lackland Unit reported on the Lackland School situation. Mrs. Majors is willing to record the results of her findings for League information and study. The Board requested Mrs. Majors to prepare an immediate draft.

Mrs. Willmott reported that the U.S. Study Commission Report is still not available. Mr. Victor Braunig will speak on "Texas Water Problems and Possible Solutions" at the April general meeting.

Mrs. Hausman reported on results of members' thinking regarding methods of constitutional revision. The majority of the units agreed that the constitutional convention was the best method. All units were willing to accept a compromise.

Mrs. Reeves reported that all Council meetings were covered by Mrs. Jack Bryant.

There was discussion as to ways of promoting attendance at the annual meeting, such as speaker, social time, humorous skit or reports.

The March Board Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Clark.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall
Recording Secretary

MINUTES OF MARCH 14 BOARD MEETING
HELD AT HOME OF MRS. O. PAUL CLARK, JR.

San Antonio

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Meeting opened at 10:00 AM and was presided over by Mrs. William Lecznar in the absence of Mrs. Sid Cockrell.

Mrs. Lecznar announced that in the absence of the Secretary, minutes of the February board meeting would be mimeographed and sent to each board member by the President.

Present at the meeting were Mesdames Ashford, Barstis, Brockhausen, Clark, Hausman Lecznar, Massar, Mottweiler, Reed and Smith.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Mrs. Edwin Smith announced that the balance on hand is \$1,938.06.

AREA OF THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Voter's Service--Mrs. Albert Barstis gave a report on the progress of plans for the Political Fair to be held April 12. Letters had been mailed to 119 candidates which included ground rules, map of the ballroom, etc. Eleven of the 39 booths had already been rented to date, indicating lively response to the letters. State candidates were among those renting booths.

Dr. Claunch had accepted our request for him to be guest speaker, four members of the panel had been arranged for, and 19 press releases had been sent out.

It was decided by the board to make available a Publications table at the Fair, and to include among the publications the CITY HANDBOOK, COUNTY HANDBOOK and YOU AND YOUR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

Mrs. Barstis also announced that the Federation of Women's Clubs had been supplied with 500 Voters Keys for their voter's education classes.

AREA OF THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Upon the motion of Mrs. Lecznar, the Board unanimously passed the request that the League incur the expenses for the Victory Coffee at Oak Hills Country Club rather than having the Finance Committee pay, as had been previously arranged by the Finance Committee.

Finance Mrs. Clark announced that the League expected to go over its goal of \$2250 for non-member contributions. She announced also that member contributions had been very good this year, having exceeded the goal of \$100 by \$76.

MEMBERSHIP Mrs. Richard Mottweiler announced that a coffee given by herself and Mrs. Carl Reed had been enthusiastically received by prospective members, and suggested that similar private coffees be planned by other board members interested in recruiting new League members. It provides an opportunity to answer questions informally and to acquaint prospective members with League policy.

Mrs. Mottweiler also announced that a coffee would be given on Friday, March 16, for all new members to the League, at the home of Mrs. S. E. Cockrell. 17-20 guests were expected, and that members of both the Membership Committee and Board were expected to act as hostesses.

UNITS Briefing will be held at Mrs. Leah Johnston's, Monday morning, March 26, on National Continuing Responsibilities.

AREA OF THE THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

Foreign Policy Committee. Miss Betty Ellington suggested on the request of the Foreign Policy Committee that the May General Meeting deal with the subject "San Antonio and World Trade" employing a speaker from San Antonio familiar with the subject. It was decided that the May General meeting will be open to guests, coffee will be served, and it will be held in the evening. The date and the meeting place are to be arranged for at the April Board meeting.

April Briefing for May meetings will be held at 7:30 PM at the home of Mrs. Robert Hausman on April 16.

It was moved, seconded and approved by the Board that a publications table be set up for the March General Meeting.

Mrs. R. S. Massar, Acting Rec. Secretary

File

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO
MARCH 22, 1962

The annual meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met on the evening of March 22, 1962 at the home of Mrs. Harold G. Vexler, [REDACTED].

The President, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, called the meeting to order at 7:50 P.M.

The first order of business was the appointment of an approval committee for the minutes of the meeting. Mrs. Leah O. Johnston, Mrs. Clayton Scott, and Mrs. Joe Ward were asked to serve in this capacity.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Edwin Deland Smith, reported total yearly income to date \$4860.11, less expenditures of \$3013.78, leaving a cash balance of \$1846.33. The Treasurer's report was placed on file.

The publication of our City Handbook cost \$631.06 with sales of \$207.60, leaving \$423.46 outstanding on that account. On the income side, over \$2500 was collected on our non-member finance campaign. The books will be closed on April 21 and submitted for audit.

Report of the Budget Committee for 1962

The attached report of the Budget Committee was read item by item by Mrs. O. Paul Clark, Jr., noting two changes which had been made, i.e., raising allocation to the units from \$10 to \$25 and decreasing allocation to Membership from \$50 to \$35, the totals remaining the same. Mrs. Clark moved the adoption of the budget in the amount of \$3450 for 1962-1963.

Mrs. William B. Lecznar moved to amend the proposed budget by increasing the following accounts as indicated:

<u>Committees:</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Total</u>
Resources	\$ 20	\$ 10	\$ 30
Units	25	10	30
Membership	35	15	50
Finance	100	25	125
<u>Publications</u>			
State & National (net)	50	80	130
Local Voter	225	25	250
<u>Action in the Community</u>			
Local Program	25	30	55
State & Nat'l Program	25	30	55
Voters Service	100	75	175

This will make the budget total \$3750 instead of \$3450.

The motion to amend the proposed budget was seconded and carried.

The motion to adopt the proposed budget, as amended, was passed.

Mrs. William B. Lecznar gave the report of the By-Laws Committee, which had been sent to the members with the February San Antonio Voter.

Report of the By-Laws Committee

Mrs. Lecznar moved to amend Article V, Section 3, substituting: "The Vice-President. The three Vice-Presidents, in the order of their rank, shall, in the event of absence, disability or death of the President, possess all the powers and perform all the duties of that office, until such time as the Board of Directors shall elect one of its members to fill the vacancy. The Vice-Presidents shall perform such other duties as the President and Board may designate."

Mrs. Lecznar explained that this substitution defines the duties of the three Vice-Presidents more clearly and would make official our usual practice of assigning regular duties to the Vice-Presidents. This change is also in conformity with the recommended National by-laws for a local league.

Mrs. Lecznar moved the adoption of Article V, Section 3 with the above substitutions. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Lecznar moved to amend Article VIII, Section 1 by inserting before the last sentence: "Any vacancy on the Nominating Committee shall be filled by the Board of Directors." This provision appears in the Standard By-Laws and with this amendment there will be an official record of filling such vacancies should they occur. The motion as presented was approved and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar made the motion that Article IX, Section 2, 3 and 4 under "Program" be revised to read as follows: Section 2. Program. The Program of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio shall consist of Current Agenda and Continuing Responsibilities as hereinafter defined.

- a) The Current Agenda shall consist of such current local governmental issues as the membership shall choose for concerted action.
- b) The Continuing Responsibilities shall consist of those positions on local governmental issues to which the League of Women Voters of San Antonio has given sustained attention and on which it may continue to act.

Section 3. The Annual Meeting shall act upon the Program using the following procedures:

- 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 voting 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 considered 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.
- e) Changes in the Program, in the case of altered conditions, may be made provided that: (1) information concerning the proposed changes has been sent to all members at least two weeks prior to a general membership meeting at which the change is to be discussed, and (2) final action by the membership is taken at a succeeding meeting.

Section 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.

Mrs. Lecznar explained that this revision would provide the same method for adoption of Continuing Responsibilities as we have for Current Agenda items. As of now, CRs may stand as originally adopted, except that they are to be reviewed once every six years. Under this proposed amendment, CRs would be adopted (or re-adopted, as the case may be) each year at the Annual Meeting, just as the CA items are. The only other difference would be the removal from Section 3 (e) of a requirement we now have that any interim changes in the Program have a two-thirds vote for actual adoption.

The question regarding the use of the word "proper" in the second line of Section 4 arose and the explanation was that it means "proper level" when you are called to action on a local item.

The motion to amend Article IX, Section 2, 3 and 4 was seconded and carried.

Report of the Nominating Committee

This report was given by the Chairman, Mrs. B. H. Passmore, who presented the following slate for 1962-1963:

1st Vice-President -- Mrs. O. Paul Clark, Jr.	1 year
2nd Vice-President -- Mrs. Robert Hausman	2 years
3rd Vice-President -- Mrs. Wm. Brockhausen	2 years
Secretary -- Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall	1 year
Treasurer -- Mrs. Edwin DeLand Smith	2 years

Directors for 2 year terms:

Mrs. Carl M. Reed, Jr.
Mrs. Louis Bohls
Mrs. R. S. Massar

Directors for 1 year term:

Miss Elizabeth Ellington
Mrs. A. R. Reeves
Mrs. John Willmott

The 1962-63 Nominating Committee:

Mrs. Catherine Marr, Chairman
Mrs. Gerald Ashford
Mrs. Herbert Soule

The Nominating Committee consisted of the following members: Mesdames Charles Graham, R. H. Mottweiler, R. E. Thatcher, Raymond White and B. H. Passmore, Chairman.

Since there were no nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed. By a voice vote the entire slate was elected.

Program

Mrs. Cockrell outlined the procedure to be followed in adopting our local program for 1962-63. First, the Program Vice-President would be asked to make a brief statement regarding the status of our present program items. Second, motions would be in order for the consideration of not-recommended program items, and third, after full discussion on all items up for consideration, motions for

adoption of program items would be in order.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford was called upon by the Chairman to give a background report on the status of the Current Local Program. Her report follows: 1) "The Know Your School survey Item went on our Current Agenda two years ago. During that time we have had a membership on this committee of 15 all together, with two different chairmen. We planned to make surveys of Lackland, Northeast and Alamo Heights. Up until this fall there was no LWV guide to use (one has since been published by the National League). In compiling a questionnaire the Survey Committee attempted to find out the make-up of the school system, size of enrollment, number of teachers, physical facilities, school program--features which they thought non-professionals would be interested in." The study was to go on until the majority of the schools in the San Antonio area had been completed.

The material for Lackland will be published within the next two or three months and will be available to all League members. This study is being prepared by Mrs. Joan Majors and is now in its final phase.

Alamo Heights District survey is under the leadership of Mrs. Fay Sinkin. It is expected that this material, too, will be published within the next two or three months.

In addition to the school survey, the committee has completed the compilation of a chapter of Key to the City.

The School Survey Committee also worked up a Fact Sheet on text book adoption in Texas. Permission was asked by members of the Texas House Textbook Committee to distribute the Fact Sheet at their April 2nd hearings in the community, when the matter of patriotism as presented in history texts in Texas will be examined. The Know Your School Survey Committee made some arrangements for study in Northeast. They are in possession of a large amount of material which was printed by the District and more is available. The committee has no chairman in that district and has not had a city chairman for the Survey since last August. No interviews have been held. Cordial relationships have been established and that is as far as it has gone.

The second item on Current Agenda is the study of the role of government in local Welfare programs with special emphasis on programs for neglected and dependent children. We have not gone far enough into this matter to hold a position on either of these topics. If this item continues on the program emphasis would have to be put on some special phase. If dropped, it does not go on Continuing Responsibilities.

We have three Continuing Responsibilities: 1) Support of basic principles of Council-Manager Government. If threatened at any point we would take action. 2) Support of long-term budgeting procedures for Bexar County. We prefer long-term budgeting procedures for Bexar County. This continues to be a program item based on studies made three years ago. 3) Support of County Home Rule.

The non-recommended items are: 1) Support of increased appropriations of public library, 2) Study of relocating families displaced by Urban Renewal. 3) Study of assessment and tax collection in Bexar County. 4) Citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures. 5) Further study of the probable effects of proposed charter revision on the basic principles of council-manager government in San Antonio. 6) Continued study of public welfare programs in Bexar County.

Mrs. Cockrell explained that the report of the Program Committee, which appeared in the February Voter, automatically places these items on the floor at this time. If anyone wishes to discuss one of these non-recommended items the way to do so is to move for consideration. Then it is discussed along with those items which were proposed by the Board and final action will come after the discussion.

Under non-recommended Item #2, Mrs. Carl Reed moved that we consider the item of studying the problem of relocating families displaced by the Urban Renewal Program.

The motion was seconded and carried and the item was up for consideration.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford moved consideration of non-recommended item #4 of citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures. This item would tie in with our activities on behalf of County Home Rule. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell stated that there were now up for consideration four items, two recommended and two not-recommended, with a limit of five minutes discussion for each item.

Discussion followed on Proposed Current Agenda Item 1) Continue the "Know Your School Survey." The original intent of this item was that more consolidation of school districts might come out of it. Another thought was, comparison of one district with another.

The conclusion reached was that all schools could not be reached. Information would be out of date before the survey was completed. We should finish the work already started. Finish Northeast, Alamo Heights and Lackland and if we went ahead we should have a comparison of economic values of this survey.

Current Agenda Item 2) Study the role of government in local welfare programs with special emphasis on programs for dependent and neglected children. Is there enough interest to continue this item? There is interest, but do we have the woman power? The study we did this year might be called an orientation; we cannot take action on this item yet as we cannot take a position. We are not fully enough informed. Could we take one phase, such as "drop-outs" and "causes"? Is there any discussion for or against?

The third item pending is study of the problem of families displaced by Urban Renewal. This item encompasses housing, welfare and urban renewal. This item has to be fairly close to the way it was proposed, but to open it up would seem to be contrary to our program procedure. Could we limit it? Begin with the study of the field of urban renewal? Would we be duplicating efforts that are taking place elsewhere?

Discussion of the final program item was "Citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures." There is material available such as auditor's report, material on which the Research and Planning Council worked, our study of about four years ago. The role of the auditor in county government should be strengthened. He could prepare a long range budget. He has been appointed by the judges--he is not elected.

We have the capacity to act on Continuing Responsibilities. If this item were moved to Current Agenda, then it would be dropped from C.R.

Mrs. Lecznar spoke in favor of narrowing the program on the local level. A straw vote was taken which indicated league members prefer to have the local current agenda limited to one item. The majority were overwhelmingly in favor of limiting.

The chair stated that a motion to adopt any one of the four items would be considered. Motion was made by Mrs. O. Paul Clark, Jr. that we adopt study of citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures, a non-recommended item. Motion was seconded and failed for want of a 2/3 majority.

Mrs. Mario Barrera moved the adoption of "Know your School Survey" with the idea that at least one school of a different level than that of Alamo Heights and North-east be made. Include San Antonio School System. Limit the scope because of lack of woman power.

Motion was made by Mrs. O. Paul Clark, Jr. that debate be closed because of lack of time. Motion was seconded and carried.

Motion to adopt our C.A. Item 1, Know Your School Survey failed.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford moved the adoption of the local welfare item. An amendment by Mrs. Harold Vexler was offered to the motion, as follows: "Study the adequacy of local welfare programs for neglected and dependent children." A second to the amendment was made. The motion to amend failed. (A majority was needed.)

There was now a motion before the members to adopt the Welfare Item. The item was defeated.

Mrs. Raymond White moved for reconsideration of citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures, which had previously lost for want of a 2/3 majority. Motion to reconsider was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that Item 3, citizen education on county fiscal problems with support for long-term budgeting procedures be adopted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Clark moved that we adopt one item on local Current Agenda. Motion was seconded and passed.

This brought us to the Continuing Responsibilities.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford moved the adoption of CR 1) Support of basic principles of Council-Manager government. Motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Cockrell stated that since the Local Current Agenda which we have just adopted incorporates the former local Continuing Responsibilities #2): support of long-term budgeting procedures for Bexar County, that with the consent of the body it would be dropped as a Continuing Responsibility.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford then moved that the former Continuing Responsibility #3) become C.R. #2: "Support of County Home Rule." Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Cockrell stated that since the hour was getting late her report would be mailed to the membership. She said that the League image has increased in stature in the community...our finance drive showed this....She expressed her appreciation to the two outgoing vice presidents, Mrs. Gerald Ashford and Mrs. William B. Lecznar, and all other officers who had served this past year.

Announcements

There will be a briefing Monday morning, March 26, 9:30, at the home of Mrs. Leah Johnston, [REDACTED].

The State Convention will be held March 27, 28 and 29 at the Echo Motor Hotel, Edinburg, Texas. The following members of the San Antonio League will attend: Mesdames Hausman, Brockhausen, Mottweiler, Clark, Koch, Cockrell, Nolan, Bell, Barstis and Reed.

April 12th will be the date of our Political fair. It will be held in the evening in the Grand Ballroom of the Granada Hotel.

The San Antonio League has been asked to supply ten judges for the Regional Inter-scholastic League debate contest to be held at San Antonio College on Saturday morning, April 14. The subject of the debate will be "Federal Aid to Education".

Texas House Textbook hearings will be held at 10 A.M., April 2 at 10 A.M. at the Lanier High School in San Antonio.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Refreshments were served after the meeting in Mrs. Vexler's lovely home.

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall
Secretary

CCs sent to: 1 - Mrs. Leah O. Johnston
1 - Mrs. Clayton Scott
1 - Mrs. Joe Ward

with the notation - If you have any changes in the above minutes please call the secretary (Marge McDougall) TA 4-1940 within five days. If we do not hear from you we shall assume the minutes are correct.

3 CCs sent to LWV of Texas, 612 North 18th Street, Waco, Texas

Friday, May 25, 1962

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JUN 25 1962

Board Meeting - May 9, 1962--LWV of San Antonio

The May Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio met on May 9, 1962 at the home of Mrs. Louis Bohls, [REDACTED].

The President, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell, called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M.

Those present were Mesdames Ashford, Barstis, Bessellieu, Bohls, Brockhausen, Clark, Cockrell, Ellington, Fox, Hausman, Jefferson, Koch, Lecznar, Massar, McDougall, Reed, Smith, Vexler and Willmott.

The minutes of the April Board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Cash on hand April 11, 1962, \$2585.76; income, \$368.00, making a total of \$2953.76. Expenditures for April, \$722.55, leaving a balance on hand on May 9, 1962 of \$2231.21. After the dues are paid we will have a balance of approximately \$2000. The Treasurer's report was placed on file.

The next order of business was to approve the appointment of a new Board member, Mrs. Henry L. Fox, (Ann) as chairman of State Continuing Responsibilities. It was moved by Mrs. Vexler that Mrs. Fox be appointed to this position. Motion was seconded and carried.

Local Current Agenda

The portfolio of Finance has been assigned to Mrs. Louis Bohls (Cleo) and that of National Current Agenda has been assigned to Miss Elizabeth Ellington.

That part of the meeting pertaining to Board Procedures and Training

Mrs. Cockrell explained that the Local League Handbook is the guide which is used by officers and members of the board and she briefly reviewed the first five sections of the book, beginning with "What the Board Does," "What the League is," "How we may work together most effectively."

She said the League is an association of members and the effectiveness of our local League will depend upon the extent to which we can involve our members. The most successful leagues are those in which the board reflects their ideas. Our first responsibility as a Board is to try to involve the highest degree of participation by the most members. In joining the League you belong not only to the League of Women Voters of the United States, but to the State and Local Leagues as well. Our National convention, which meets biennially, sets the policy and adopts the program for the League of the United States. Our State League also meets biennially and does the same job, for the State and the Local League is the voice of the membership in electing officers, amending bylaws, etc.

Mrs. Cockrell continued by saying that one of the important things to keep in mind is that as a member of the Board we must have a larger vision than just the one task we have accepted to do. We are first board members and policy makers for the Local League, and then chairmen in the Local League.

One of the important policies is our non-partisanship policy. The National Board has standards and criteria which are set forth in our Local League Handbook, but some of the final decisions are the prerogative of the Local League. Board members agree not to work actively, either for a party or candidate; we keep our opinions for the most part to ourselves.

Questions arise from time to time concerning non-partisan problems. Shall League Board members attend candidate's coffees? The Board members of more Leagues do not attend than attend. Shall Board members attend precinct meetings? Whether or not to attend precinct meetings has been left to the local Board to spell out.

The reason we continually go over these matters is in order to make them clear to the new members.

Work of the Board

In the Local League the success of the board hinges on its giving the members the opportunity to play their part. The more members we can involve, the better our League will be.

Communications

Copies of material which might be of interest to their counterpart in the State League should be sent by the local chairmen. The Local League is the connecting link between the State and National Boards. The local Board divides the work to be done. Its responsibility is that all jobs are covered. In San Antonio we have divided the areas of responsibility. The three vice presidents share with the president the responsibility of the operation of the local league. At the beginning of each year we either do the board training ourselves or we ask a member of the state board to come if we feel it necessary.

Program Committee

The Program Committee will meet and draw up the program for the year.

Duties of the officers

The duties of the president, vice-presidents, the secretary and the treasurer are outlined in the Handbook.

At this point the board members divided into three discussion groups--Program, Organization and Public Relations after which the meeting reconvened to learn the results of the thinking of each group.

In the area of Public Relations

Mrs. Clark reported her group thought Membership should be coordinated closely with publications in order to get League materials into the hands of new members quickly after they join.

Notices which are to appear in the Bulletin should be given to the chairman well in advance of the deadline date.

Resource people should let the Publications chairman know two months prior to the briefing session what publications will be needed for their meetings.

In the area of Organization

Mrs. Lecznar reported the thinking of her group as follows: Both the Membership and Finance meetings should be held before the Calendar Committee meets and the program is drawn up for the Board.

There have been difficulties in the past in getting items budgeted correctly. Invoices should go to the person who ordered the materials instead of to the Treasurer. Then the invoices should be checked by the purchaser to determine whether or not the billing is correct and then the invoice should be forwarded to the Treasurer who will then know where to credit or debit the item.

How does a chairman know where to charge publications? Each committee has a certain amount of money for "action in the community." It becomes the job of the publications chairman to decide how the charges are divided.

In the area of Program

Mrs. Ashford said a date should be set up for the Program Committee meeting. As a guide she suggested using "Community and Legislative Action Year." The program should be set up according to months.

Foreign Policy

Miss Ellington announced "Time for Action" on the Trade matter and on the UN Bond issue. This brought up the question of proper procedures to follow when writing your congressmen. Write as an individual, not in the name of the League. The president only writes letters in the name of the League.

Miss Ellington announced that the next meeting of the Foreign Policy committee will be

Monday, May 14 at 8 P.M. at the home of Mrs. George Wiedermann.

Miscellaneous

Who has authority to collect dues when they are offered, especially in unit meetings?
Any Board member may take dues and send them to the Treasurer.

Each member of the League is responsible for the total membership, welcoming them, receiving dues, getting them to the Treasurer and notifying the proper person whose job it is to integrate the new members into the work of the League.

Every member is an ex officio member of the Membership Committee.

Names of contributors should be given to the Finance Committee members all during the year.

Summer Seminar

A decision was reached by the Board to go ahead with plans for three summer meetings, using the League Publication "You and Your National Government" as a basis of study.

Motion was made by Mrs. Clark that we arrange for three informal general meetings during the summer for the purpose of studying and discussing the League booklet "You and Your National Government." The motion was seconded and carried.

The Program Area Vice President, the Voters Service Chairman and the President will draw up more definite plans for the summer meetings.

The June Board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Edwin D. Smith, [REDACTED] on Wednesday, June 13, 1962.

The meeting was adjourned at 12.05 P.M.

Mrs. Malcolm L. McDougall
Recording Secretary

1-CC sent to Mrs. S. E. Cockrell

3-CCs sent to LWV of Texas, 612 North 18th Street, Waco

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JUN 25 1962

General Meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio

A general meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held on Thursday evening, May 17, 1962 at Central Christian Church, 720 N. Main Avenue, San Antonio.

After an informal social hour the president, Mrs. S. E. Cockrell called the meeting to order at 8 P.M.

Mrs. Cockrell appointed an approval committee for the minutes of the meeting, naming Mrs. Jack Allensworth, Mrs. J. J. Ralft and Mrs. Joe H. Ward.

Announcements An invitation was received from the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Hospital inviting the members of the League to the dedication ceremonies and a tour of the hospital at the opening of the new building on May 26 at 2:30 P.M. Another invitation was received inviting us to attend an Open House at Kelly Air Force Base in honor of Armed Forces Day at the Air Force Base on Sunday, May 20, starting at 12 Noon.

Summer Seminar The response to the inquiry in the last League bulletin asking whether our members would be interested in a summer seminar based on the League publication, "You and Your National Government," met with such favorable response that the Board has authorized a committee to plan the meetings.

WOAI-LMV Simulcast of Debate On May 28 WOAI-TV will provide us with one hour's time on the air, from 6:30 to 7:30, when the two candidates for District Attorney, Mr. James Barlow and Mr. Richard Woods, will appear in a public debate. Mrs. Cockrell will act as moderator and three League members, Needmes Eugene Gill, Carl W. Reed and C. Paul Clark will direct questions to the candidates on campaign issues. The members were urged to send in questions to either or both of the candidates. San Antonio's Stake in World Trade

Program for the Evening Mrs. Cockrell presented the chairman of National current agenda, Miss Elizabeth Ellington, who was in charge of the program. Miss Ellington is a recent law school graduate and the San Antonio League has benefited from her excellent services during the past year as chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee.

Miss Ellington welcomed the two speakers, Mr. Andres Rivera, Vice President of the National Bank of Commerce, and Mr. Edward C. Sullivan, President of Wolff and Marx, both outstanding civic leaders in San Antonio.

Miss Ellington said that for many years the League has supported the liberal trade program and welcomed the opportunity to present this meeting in observance of World Trade Week.

Mr. Rivera pointed out that San Antonio has an important stake in foreign trade, principally because it is a large producer and exporter of cotton, cattle, oil and other agricultural products.

Mr. Sullivan said that San Antonio especially has benefited because of the purchase of merchandise by foreign customers, principally from Mexico. He also said we have a whole new challenge to our economy in the European World Market.

In summary, both speakers were in favor of a liberal trade policy, such as the League supports in the Trade Expansion Act.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

CC to: Mrs. Jack Allensworth
Mrs. J. J. Ralft
Mrs. Joe H. Ward

Mrs. Malcolm L. McLaughlin
Secretary

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Saturday, June 16, 1962

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OCT 10 1962

To : Board of Directors, League of Women Voters of San Antonio
From: Lila Cockrell, President.

Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 10, at the home of Mrs Louis Bohls, [REDACTED]; coffee at 9:30 A.M., meeting at 10:00 A.M. Board members and finance chairmen are invited to stay for luncheon as guests of the finance committee.

Minutes of September 16, 1962

The September meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was called to order by the President, Mrs S.E. Cockrell, Jr. at 10:00 A.M. on September 16, 1962, at the home of the President.

Present were Mesdames S.E. Cockrell, E.D. Smith, William Brockhausen, Louis Bohls, R.H. Massae, F.M. Koch, Samuel Young, Robert Hausman, Harold Vexler, H.L. Fox, O.P. Clark, and W.E. Bessellieu. Also present were Off-Board Chm., Mrs G.M. Isbell and Mrs Lee Fountain, and visitor, Mrs J.E. Morsh.

Mrs Smith, Treasurer, reported cash on hand totals \$601.88

The resignation of Mrs M.L. McDougall as Secretary was accepted with regret.

Mrs Koch, Voters Service Chairman, announced that State and Local Voters Guides are now available at her home and explained the method of distribution.

Mrs Cockrell announced that WOAI-TV has given the League one hour of prime time for the debate between James Barlow and Howard Hunt, candidates for the office of Criminal District Attorney for Bexar County. The debate will be on Oct. 29 from 6:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

The Public Relations Committee was asked to contact KENS to request time for another Town Meeting of the Air.

Mrs Cockrell read a letter going out to club president offering the services of the Speaker's Bureau.

Mrs Vexler, United Nations Chm. announced the U.N. briefing at her home on the evening of Sept. 24. By the consent of the board, the U.N. Committee was authorized to spend up to \$10.00 to place U.N. materials at the Landa Library. Tickets for the Community U.N. Day luncheon will be available at the door for all who have made reservations with Mrs Vexler before Oct. 17.

In response to the Call for Action on the Foreign Aid bill in Congress, Miss Betty Ellington is sending a wire to Washington.

Mrs Isbell reported for Mrs Reed, Membership Chm., that the proposed Orientation will be delayed until Mrs Reed returns to San Antonio.

Mrs Fox, State C.R.'s Chm., reported plans are under way for the October briefing on Voter Registration and Election Laws, and introduced Mrs Lee Fountain, Chairman of these two items.

Mrs Bohls, Finance Chm. reported on plan for the finance drive. The finance letter to members was read and approved. Mrs Bohls announced a luncheon for Board members and Team Captains after the next board meeting at her home.

Mrs Hausman, Second Vice-President, announced the General Membership Meeting on November 28 will be a luncheon to which County officials will be invited. Mrs Koch moved, and it was seconded and carried, that a committee consisting of the President, 2nd Vice-Pres., and Meetings Places Chm, be authorized to decide on the location of the luncheon meeting and the menu.

Mrs Bessillieu, Publications, stressed literature she has available and asked that the local suscription service be stressed. She will order 10 copies of the revised "Local League Handbook".

Mrs Koch distributed booklets on the Pros and Cons of the Proposed Constitutional Amendments,

The meeting was then adjourned by the President.

(Anne Fox)
Mrs H.L. Fox
Secretary Pro-Tem

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO

STATEMENT OF POSITION ON COUNTY HOME RULE - Jan. 11, 1963

The League of Women Voters of San Antonio has been interested in County Home Rule for many years. In its "Survey of Bexar County", published in January, 1954, and revised in 1957, the League included a discussion of the advantages of County Home Rule. It has been the position of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio that the best method for obtaining Home Rule is through a new Constitutional Amendment, replacing the amendment adopted in 1933. Authorities in county government point to the difficulties in obtaining Home Rule under the present Constitutional Amendment, and the fact that no county has ever been able to achieve Home Rule under its provisions.

In 1959, the League joined with representatives of other civic organizations to form the Bexar County Home Rule Association. The League has supported two County Home Rule Amendments: one submitted in the 1959 session of the Legislature by State Representative Raymond Russell, and the other introduced in the 1961 session by State Senator Henry B. Gonzalez.

Recently, a group known as the Citizens Committee for Home Rule was formed, and, without consultation with any of the civic organizations known to be working for County Home Rule, has taken the necessary steps under the present amendment which required Commissioners Court to call precinct conventions for Saturday, January 26, for the purpose of electing one delegate and one alternate from each precinct to a County Convention, set for February 9, 1963.

While this method was not the one supported by the League, and while we did not join in the action of petitioning Commissioner's Court to put this procedure into motion, we nevertheless urge our members, and all citizens, to take part in their precinct conventions. The League urges that each precinct elect delegates who are qualified, regardless of political party affiliation, and that a non-partisan civic leader be elected as Chairman of the Convention. Since the Chairman of the Convention appoints the nominating committee which nominates the Charter Writing Commissioners, it is obviously necessary to have a Chairman who will represent the best interests of all the citizens in our county.

LWV/SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

February, 1963

PROPOSED 1963-1964 BUDGET

EXPENDITURES	Adopted Budget 1962-63	Actual Figures 1/14/63*	Proposed Budget 1963-64
<u>General Administration</u>			
President's Account	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00
Committees:			
Resource	30.00	20.00	35.00
Units	35.00	15.00	25.00
Membership	50.00	16.07	35.00
Finance	125.00	72.25	150.00
Public Relations	10.00	9.91	10.00
Delegates	250.00	83.17	250.00
Operating Costs:			
Supplies	125.00	117.37	150.00 200.00
Postage	85.00	38.64	85.00 100.00
Office Rent	- - -	- - -	300.00 330.00
Telephone & Telegraph	40.00	20.04	250.00 160.00
Repairs to Equipment	10.00	20.03	10.00 20.00
<u>Publications</u>			
State & National Pub: Cost		710.00	
less Sales		489.60	
Net	130.00	220.40	150.00
Local Publications	- - -	- - -	- - -
Bulletin	250.00	161.53	225.00 275.00
<u>Action in Community</u>			
Meetings	25.00	27.24	50.00 60.00
Local Program	55.00	29.25	75.00 100.00
State & National Program	55.00	84.23	75.00
Voter Service	175.00	30.15	150.00
<u>Reserve</u>	750.00	750.00	100.00
<u>State and National Services</u>	1500.00	1500.00	1600.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 3750.00</u>	<u>\$ 3265.28</u>	<u>\$ 3800.00 3900.00</u>
INCOME			
<u>Dues</u>	\$1000.00	\$1085.00	\$ 1100.00
<u>Contributions</u>			
Members	150.00	172.00	175.00
Non-members	2500.00	67.00**	2500.00 2600.00
<u>Other Sources</u>			
Memorial Fund-County Handbook	100.00	138.09	25.00
Keys to City-Misc.			
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$3750.00</u>	<u>\$1462.09</u>	<u>\$ 3800.00 3900.00</u>

* Some of these figures will increase before the books are closed, March 31, 1963.

** The Finance Drive for this year is not yet completed.

APR 25 1963

League of Women Voters of San Antonio - Board Meeting Mar.13, 1963.

The March meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the League Office 117 Ave. A on March 13, 1963.

The meeting was called to order by the President Mrs. O. P. Clark Jr. at 10:05 A. M.

Present were Mesdames Clark, Morsh, Smith, Fox, Ishbell, Koch, Reeves, Bohls, Young, Besselieu, Willmott, Brockhausen, Hausman and ^{off board member Mrs.} Lecznar.

Minutes of the February meeting were accepted with two corrections.

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Smith stated that there was \$166.83 available for delegates going to the Presidents' Council in Austin this month. Reporting on the County Home Rule Acct. the League of Women Voters' owes \$60 which can be paid out of surplus in other accounts. The consensus of opinion was that the matter of payment be left up to the Treasurer.

Area of the First Vice President Mrs. Koch reported that fourteen cents had come in for the Voters' Service this morning. Mrs. Fox asked the question whether or not the League should do anything for the coming city election April 2. Because Mrs. Cockrell now a candidate for the Council in Place 5 was recently the League of Women Voters' president it was felt that the League must avoid the appearance of partisanship. The field of TV or Radio would probably be the best medium. In past city campaigns of recent years the League has done very little. Mrs. Koch made a motion that the League work through the publicity of TV, Radio or newspapers in an education program showing the pros and cons of Council Manager form of government. She thought we should do something to keep the League in the minds of the contributors to our financial drive. The Motion was seconded. In the discussion that followed it was brought out that the election was so close to our recent finance drive that publicity was not needed. The fact that the time is so short and the slate so little contested that work by the League is not necessary. As to publicity for the League, the County Home Rule Committee will probably furnish that. Motion defeated.

Voter Editor, Mrs. Massar had sent in her absence a request for any news.

Area of the Second Vice President

Mrs. Ishbell, Membership Chairman, brought up the point that the prospective names for members are needed promptly. When unit reports are late in coming in it delays follow-up for new members. She urged that these be sent as promptly as possible.

Mrs. Besselieu, Publications Chairman reported that she finds there is considerable lag in payment for material picked up at briefing meetings for sale at unit meetings. Mrs. Koch recalled her experience in this area and her handling of it by requiring payment in advance for material taken for sale and refunds for those copies not sold. There is a new publication out on Know Your Government - subject County Government. It is 60 cents and three copies have been ordered. She reminded ex-board members to return League Handbooks. Recently 100 copies of Keys to the City were sold to SAV.

The President announced the resignation of Mrs. Smyrl, Chairman of Press, Radio, TV as she has taken a job at the Express-News.

There is a group in Shavano Park which may be interested in forming a unit and this information will be forward to the Speakers' Bureau Chairman, Mrs. Massar.

Finance Chairman, Mrs. Bohls reported that a total of \$2449 has been collected to date during the finance drive with approximately \$200 more outstanding in promised funds. Because of the rise in postage costs and the fact that enough flyers were ordered to

last three years the budget was exceeded and the entire costs of the finance campaign were approximately \$165 whereas the budget figure was \$125. However, next year there will be no guides, no flyers. Thirty dollars paid by the publication budget will reduce this deficit. The question where this amount can be taken was raised and the answer seemed to be that out of surplus from other items the amount can be met. A budget is only an estimate. The exact details can be left to the budget committee.

Area of the Third Vice President

Mrs. Willmott, Chairman Nat. CR reported that she had not sent the letter to the National Board requesting permission for action if necessary regarding Water Resources. At present there is nothing pending on this subject in the legislature so that it seems best to wait a while as it is a very complicated process to go through to get the proper sanction for action. The scheduled meeting on Water for the general meeting in April has been cancelled and because of the current interest in County Home Rule the subject for the April general meeting will be on that subject. Mr. John Willmott will be asked to speak. The meeting will be held on April 17.

Mrs. Brockhausen said there had been a good briefing session on State CR. She stressed that there had been a call for action. Representative Segrest is in favor of creating a Little Hoover Commission. A night letter from Senator Spears urged that we send letters stating our position on permanent registration of voters. He wants letters that he can show indicating that his constituents are against annual registration which is Creighton's bill and are for permanent registration for voters. There will be a need for education of the public on permanent vs. annual registration. Radio or TV time might be used. Some members from the San Antonio League attended the Senate Hearing on voter registration in Austin.

Mrs. Brockhausen asked if anyone were going to the charter commission meetings. There are public hearings - We should watch this carefully and some one should go whenever the hearings are open. There is no program set up for May unit meetings and it might be used for a study of Home Rule. Might have a series of three talks. Some members felt that the topic had been well handled and that some might be getting tired of it. Especially new members might like a variety and we are in danger of running the subject into the ground. In fact a little boredom has already been shown. It will be necessary to reword the Home Rule topic for next year's program.

Water is an important subject today and it should be a topic of unit or general meeting program. Another general meeting in May would be too much. It was the feeling of the board that Water should be discussed at a unit meeting but not at a general meeting this spring. The suggestion was made that Mr. Braunig whom we expected to ask to speak at a general meeting might be invited to talk on Water at the briefing meeting. Mrs. Willmott said that she hesitated to ask him to speak to so few people and the matter was dropped.

The Home Rule Committee under Mrs. Ashford's leadership. Mrs. Ashford plans are made for the briefing session - an outline has been made and will be mimeographed in sections.

Mrs. Meczner, chairman of the Budget Committee gave a report on the County Home Rule financial account handled by the League. Since in last year's budget no item was budgeted for Office Expense the money for this can be taken from unexpended funds in other accounts and applied to this account. A motion was made by Mrs. Hausman and seconded and passed that we appropriate the necessary monies from unexpended surplus funds to defray our expenses incurred in the new item.

The President presented for approval of the board the agenda for the March General meeting. It was moved by Mrs. Young, seconded and passed that it be accepted.

The Board approved the speaker for the April general Meeting - Mr. John Willmott.

The annual reports from the board members are now due - a carbon copy should be kept to pass on to incoming members.

The National Board has asked for more contributions from each state. The State President has asked for a directive on this from local leagues. The San Antonio League has increased its pledge to the State this year already. It was suggested that if there were a surplus in State funds such could be applied to the contribution to the National Board. This will be brought up at the Presidents' Council in Austin this month.

Observers going to the Presidents' Council will meet prior to the trip on Monday Mar. 25 at 10:00 A. M. at the home of Mrs. Louis Bohls. A list of those going will be sent to the treasurer for disbursements of available travel funds.

The President called on Mrs. Fox to inform the Board of a new location for the League Office. The present office is somewhat inconvenient and the fact that the building may be sold at any time and the League asked to vacate on short notice makes it seem desirable to find another place. After looking at a number of possibilities the best facilities seem to be at 2510 West Ave. just north of the point where the Northwest Expressway crosses West Ave. There is parking space and an evaporative air cooler. It is several feet smaller than the present office. There would be no cost of moving as the husband of one member has offered to do this. The owner is willing to rent to the League for \$27.50 per month although the original rental was \$50 but she would prefer tenants who would be permanent. It is the type of location where a woman alone would not be afraid to go even at night. Mrs. Koch had reported that one of the contributors had said he would rent an office to the League for \$25 a month and a motion was made by Mrs. Brockhausen that this be investigated before a decision is made.

The President suggested that the office be staffed Monday through Friday from ten to 2 p. m. Each board member might give one day or half a day every month or members off the board may be enlisted. A chair and desk are needed, also additional chairs for meetings. It was suggested that a notice might be put in the Voter next month. The motion made by Mrs. Bohls that we accept the office on West Ave. was second^{ed} but then withdrawn and power was given to the Executive Committee to make the final decision after looking at the office offered by the contributor.

Board members were asked to look through the files and become familiar with the material in their fields.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 A. M.

Recording Secretary

APR 25 1963

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN ANTONIO: Board Meeting, April 3, 1963

A called board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the office, [REDACTED], at 10:00 a.m. on April 3, 1963. Present were Mesdames Clark, Hausman, Willmott, Smith, Brockhausen, Massar, and Lecznar.

Mrs. Willmott moved that the Board appoint as directors the following: Mrs. F. M. Koch, Mrs. A. R. Reeves, Mrs. Gerald Ashford, Mrs. George Church, Mrs. Carl Reed, and Mrs. Frank Hall. Motion was seconded and passed.

Organization of the Board was discussed and it was decided that the vice-presidents would coordinate portfolios as follows: 1st vice-president: voters service, speakers bureau, scrapbook, office manager; 2nd vice-president: meetings, membership, finance, unit organization, local Voter, telephone committee; 3rd vice-president: all program items.

Mrs. Willmott moved portfolios be assigned as follows:

Mrs. Gerald Ashford	Local Current Agenda
Mrs. Louis Bohls	Finance
Mrs. George Church	State Current Agenda
Miss Betty Ellington	National CA: Foreign Policy
Mrs. Frank Hall	Publications
Mrs. F. M. Koch	Voters Service
Mrs. William Lecznar	Unit Organization
Mrs. R. S. Massar	Local Voter Editor
Mrs. Richard Mottweiler	State CRs & Legislative Chairman
Mrs. Carl W. Reed	Membership
Mrs. A. R. Reeves	Council-Manager
Mrs. John Willmott	National CRs

Motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Brockhausen moved that the president appoint two or more members of the executive committee to buy a desk for the League office. Motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Hausman moved that we invite Mr. Julius Grossenbacher, chairman of the County Charter Commission, to be our guest at the April 17th luncheon meeting and that we notify other members of the Commission that they would also be welcome. Motion was seconded. It was pointed out that because of space limitations we would not be able to invite numbers of outsiders. Motion was passed.

Mrs. Hausman moved that we ask Mr. Grossenbacher to give a brief report on the progress of the charter-writing commission. Motion was seconded and passed.

The agenda for the April 10th Board meeting and copies of the local policy sheet were distributed to those present, and will be mailed to all other directors, and officers.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

San Antonio
MAY 14 1963

The May meeting and Board Training session of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held at the Town and Country Motel, 6901 San Pedro, on May 9, 1963.

Present were: Mesdames Brockhausen, Hausman, Fox, Clark, Ashford, Mottweiler, Bohls, Willmott, Koch, Reed, Hall, Church, Lecznar, Massar, and Reeves. Also present were Offboard Chairmen, Mesdames Barr, Cotner, Groves, McGrimmon and Kitchen; State Board members, Mrs. Albert Barstis and Mrs. Colin MacDonald; Unit Leaders, Mrs. Soule and Mrs. Passur; and past President, Mrs. Cockrell.

The President, Mrs. O.P. Clark, Jr., introduced State Board Vice President, Mrs. Colin MacDonald, who spoke for half an hour on the organization and responsibilities of the Local Board. She stressed the following points:

1. All Board members have total responsibility for all decisions of the Board.
2. A Board member's first concern must be for the work of the Board as a whole, then for her own portfolio.
3. In the League of Women Voters, Program is mandatory, of primary importance, since the members have directed this. Voters Service should be done on the basis of what time, money and woman power is not needed to carry out Program.
4. A Committee Chairman should turn first to her Vice President for help and direction. Each Vice President should inform herself on the job of each of her chairmen in order to be able to act as consultant when needed, and should be invited to attend all committee meetings in her area of responsibility.

The meeting was then opened to questions and discussion for an hour.

The President, Mrs. Clark, called the Board meeting to order at 2:30 pm.

Since there was no objection, it was decided to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and the Treasurer's report, due to lack of time.

Mrs. Clark presented the proposed organizational chart of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio, with suggested changes returning Voter Editor and Publicity to the area of the First Vice President, since they properly belong in this area and the job of running the office will not take as much time as had been anticipated. Mrs. Bohls moved and it was seconded and carried that the chart be accepted as changed.

The date for the meeting to plan the 1963-64 Calendar was set for Wednesday, May 29, at 10:00 am at Mrs. Brockhausen's home. All Board members, Resource Chairmen, Unit Leaders, and anyone else interested were asked to attend.

Mrs. Gerald Ashford reported on the Local CA Item that the County Home Rule Committee submitted to the May Unit Meetings five questions for discussion and consensus, in order to be able to express conclusions on the subject when called upon to do so. The committee will meet again on Friday, May 17th, at the home of Mrs. Passmore.

Mrs. Ashford moved that the County Home Rule Committee be empowered to begin study of this subject in the June meetings, with discussion of two main topics:

the office of Administrator and charter provisions pertaining to the Legislative body or council

The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. W.B. Lecznar reported that the members have indicated a desire for joint summer meetings, possibly a workshop idea, and moved we have two such meetings in June, one day and one night, about two weeks apart. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Ashford stated that the Home Rule Committee would function as a panel and supply mimeographed material as well. She asked that the Voter continue through the summer ~~in~~ order to facilitate this study.

Mrs. R.H. Mottweiler moved that we have a Legislative meeting in June, to which all our legislators would be invited. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Robert Hausman offered to have such a function in her back yard.

Mrs. Massar moved that the event be held the evening of June 19th in the Hausmans' yard, and that husbands and guests be included. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was decided to ask the Meetings Chairman to make arrangements for the June meetings.

The Board approved Mrs. Clark's appointment of Mrs. George Church and Mrs. Carl Reed, Jr., to the Nominating Committee.

Mrs. Clark asked that each Board member who does not have an official, 3-ring notebook for her portfolio please notify the Publications Chairman so that they will be ready at the next Board meeting. At that time the basic ingredients which should be in such a notebook will be explained and provided for those who do not have them.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to purchase a typewriter for the Office. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Clark asked the Board to indicate what should go into the next issue of the Voter, and announced this would be done at every Board meeting from now on. There was good response and many items were promised to the Voter Editor.

Mrs. Lecznar asked and received permission for the San Pedro and Northeast Units to decide their future course of action in regard to organization.

Mrs. Ashford reported that the committee which was appointed to reexamine the Local Policy Sheet would report at the next Board meeting, and asked members to study section 3c on the present sheet and the appropriate section in the Local Leaders Handbook in order to make a decision on this at that time.

Mrs. Louis Bohls, Finance Chairman, announced that she was passing around a list for Board members to suggest new prospects for Finance and that she would continue to do this at future meetings.

Mrs. J.L. Barr, Membership Records Chairman, asked that she be notified of special interests of members when discovered, to be entered on her cards.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Minutes of June 12, 1963

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AUG 16 1963

The June Board Meeting of the San Antonio League of Women Voters was held on June 12, 1963 at the home of the President, Mrs. O. P. Clark, Jr. The meeting was called to order at 9:50 A. M. by the President.

Present were: Mesdames, Clark, Fox, Smith, Morsh, Church, Brockhausen, Willmott, Bohls, Hall, Lecznar, Mottweiler, Ashford and Koch.

The minutes of the May board meeting were read by the Secretary and approved as read.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. (Cash on hand \$2184.78).

Old business was first taken up. The President called on Mrs. Frank Hall, Publications' Chairman to check the notebooks of League Board Members. Each member should have a looseleaf notebook to hold certain League data which can be kept up to date as new material comes out. The National Subscription Service is given to all board members and it was suggested that after reading new publications, a board member might pass this on unless her portfolio required her keeping it. The United Nations' Chairman especially can use material on her subject. Mrs. Brockhausen asked why the United Nations' Chairman could not be put on the Subscription Service List. It was pointed out by the President that it was unusual for each board member to receive this service and additional expense would be too much for the budget. A clearing house, operated by Mrs. Hall, would make available many publications which off board chairman might use. Mrs. Hall reminded the board members that when a member resigns her notebook should be passed on to her successor. The pamphlet "Facts about the League of Women Voters" should be in the hands of every League member. The Speakers' Bureau should have a supply. Mrs. Koch said that it was good to keep one in one's purse, handy when an individual is questioned about the League and its activities.

A report on the Local Policy Sheet was given by Mrs. Ashford, - recommendations made by the committee, consisting of Mesdames Ashford, Lecznar and Reed. Under Id the committee suggested that the words "or write" be included in this item. Under III c that the words "resignation in time for the Board to make the first public announcement" be added. In the discussion that followed the question of a definite length of time was brought up. Also considered was the length of time to elapse before a member who has held public office could return to the Board. Mrs. Koch felt that each instance should be considered as a separate case by the Board. The type of position held varies in the degree of partisanship, publicity and prominence. It might be left to the discretion of the nominating committee. In many leagues restrictions have been given by-law status. This might be considered by the League as an amendment to Article IV, section 2 of the By-Laws.

Mrs. Ashford then moved, the motion was seconded and passed that in the Local Policy Sheet on Non-Partisanship under Item II following section b that section c be added "That the nominating committees should assure itself of the non-partisanship status and intention of prospective board members."

Mrs. Ashford then moved that under Item I, section d that the words "or write" be inserted following "to speak". This motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Ashford also moved that under Item III, section c following the words "she must offer her resignation to the Board" in ample time for the Board to make the first public announcement of her resignation to become a candidate for public office be added. This was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Ashford then moved that the By-Laws Committee be instructed by the Board to consider the time limit in the return of some one as a member of the Board from serving in a public office.

Reporting on the League's program for the month, Mrs. Mottweiler stated that on June 19 our Legislative Meeting will be held in the backyard of Mrs. Hausman's home. Senator Spears has been asked to give the keynote speech. So far only one legislator, Mr. Red Berry, has declined. It is planned to have a question and answer period following Mr. Spears' speech. League topics need not necessarily be brought up. The legislators' pet project might be the focus. During the past session the League has been interested in several bills and it will be interesting to the members to hear reports on these. In the main, subjects are geared to the League program are desirable but others are not excluded.

Such information should be published in the Voter as many members do not respond to a call for action in writing representatives. It was suggested that perhaps when such occasion rises that one member from each unit could be delegated to write a letter with any help she wished. A different member would be asked to write each time.

Letters will be written to our legislators informing them about the proposed panel discussion. Members can be notified by phone. All board members are asked to be present.

On June 27 at the Unitarian Church a second meeting on County Home Rule has been arranged. It is hoped there will be a good attendance.

Reporting on Local Current Agenda, Mrs. Ashford said that the first meeting on the Specifics in a Home Rule Charter was held at McCreeles Shopping Center in May. A panel of three gave an excellent presentation of the subject to an audience of ~~only~~ 15 people. However, the participation was good, but it was unfortunate that more were not there. This brings up the question, Should these meetings continue this summer? Probably one meeting in July would be enough. Should it be a daytime meeting or in the evening? Mrs. Fox stated that she felt judging from last year's experience evening meetings are preferable.

A tentative date Of July 17 was suggested as it would allow time for consensus before public hearings on the charter. This was moved, seconded and passed. League members should be represented at every open charter meeting. The Committee will take the responsibility of participation.

Again the question was brought up of bringing the County Handbook up to date and publishing it again. Prices of printing have increased; it will cost more to put out a new edition and therefore the the price will have to be raised. However, it is impossible to estimate the cost until the changes to be made are known.

Should it be done at all? Will a revised County Handbook be out of date even by the time it is published? Mrs. Mottweiler suggested that a committee go over the present handbook and update it for the next meeting and then submit it for estimates. Mesdames Clark, Passmore and Cockrell are already a tentative committee nucleus. The project involves much time and expense but there is a great need for this handbook. It was decided to leave the matter up to the County Home Rule Committee.

Mrs. Ashford reported agreement in the units in five broad areas, - centralized administrative head, policy making council elected by voters, coordination of fiscal procedures along modern practices, shorter ballots and a more flexible structure.

rs. Ashford then presented the following nine points for Bexar County Government.

1. Bexar County should have a central administrator
2. There should be a policy-determining County Council, elected by the voters and responsible to them
3. The County Council should truly represent all of the people of the county.
4. The County Ballot should be a shorter ballot.
5. Some County administrative offices should be eliminated, some consolidated and some reorganized.

6. County administrative functions need more clearly defined lines of authority and responsibility
7. Bexar County should install modern methods and quipment in budgeting, purchasing, record keeping and all fiscal operations.
8. A County Charter should be flexible enough to adjust to changing situations without frequent amendements.

Mrs. Ashford moved that the Board accept these nine points as representing the consensus of the League Board. This was seconded and passed. She also suggested that these points be mimeographed as part of the County Home Rule Project.

New Business. There have been statements from State and National Boards that all Leagues increase their memberships. A realistic approach to this should be made. It needs attention of individuals, not only the membership committee. Selling the subscription service to members helps to keep them oriented to the League's work. Perhaps ten minutes of orientation at every unit meeting where there are guests would create more interest. This would be the responsibility of the unit leaders. Many join the League but then leave it. An increase of 20 per cent is the quote suggested. In the San Antonio League this would mean from 40 to 50. Since the chairman of the membership committee was not present it was suggested that the matter be tabled.

Mrs. Fox asked whether a Voter should be brought out in July. This is not customary but might be a good idea since there is so much activity this summer in the League. Members should be informed by sending out cards. Would the Voter be a cheaper way? Could we mimeograph our own Voter for this issue if one is put out? One of our members is in Washington, Mrs. Joe Ward, and it was suggested that she might write a short article on An Eyewitness in Washington. The Board agreed that a summer edition of the Voter, mimeographed at our office, would be worthwhile.

The Calendar for next year will not be discussed until the next board meeting.

An invitation to a meeting re TB Control was read. This will be June 26 and Mrs. Fox agreed to represent the League

Miss Linda Miller has asked for a LWV list of membership. The board was against releasing the list of membership to anyone who might use it for commercial purposes.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 A. M.

Recording Secretary.

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LWV/San Antonio, Texas

BOARD MEETING for JULY 15, 1963

The regular July Board meeting of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was held on July 15, 1963 at the home of Mrs. William Lecznar. Present were Mesdames Clark, Brockhausen, Fox, Church, Morsh, Lecznar, Bohls, Ashford, and Koch. The meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m. by the President, Mrs. Clark.

County Home Rule. The President announced that the chief purpose of the meeting was to get Board approval for action at public hearings on the proposed county home rule charter. Mrs. Ashford, County Home Rule Chairman, reported that two debates have already been held on county home rule by the League. Discussion was good at both meetings, although the attendance was small at the first one. An attempt was made to get as much consensus as possible from the group on these topics: partisan vs. nonpartisan election of councilmen, basis of representation on the council, and appointment vs. election of the executive. Consensus was reached only on appointment of the executive. Mrs. Ashford felt that small discussion groups are best for reaching consensus, i. e. the traditional unit approach.

It was moved by Mrs. Ashford and seconded by Mrs. Lecznar that, based on consensus of the June meetings, Point 1 of the nine points of consensus previously adopted be revised to read: "Bexar County should have a professionally trained central administrator appointed by the county council." This motion was carried. Mrs. Ashford then moved that Point 2 be amended to read: "There should be a policy-determining county council elected by the voters and responsible to them. The council should choose its own chairman." The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fox and passed.

Mrs. Ashford further reported that, in accordance with the enabling legislation, the proposed county charter was published (in the San Antonio Light) twice, and five public hearings scheduled (July 11, 16, 18, 24, and 26). League observers attended the hearing on July 11 and the Home Rule Committee met on July 12 and worked out a recommended schedule of League speakers and their topics for the ensuing hearings: July 16, Mrs. Clark on the 9 points of consensus and Mrs. Ashford on the background of home rule and its support by the League; July 18, Mrs. Fox on the importance of an appointed central administrator; July 24, Mrs. Lecznar on provision for better county fiscal procedures. This general plan was approved, and it was the consensus of the Board that the Home Rule Committee should be granted some flexibility in deciding details of testifying as long as it were within League positions.

Mrs. Lecznar moved that we issue a call to action for members to attend the hearings. The motion was seconded and passed. Members are to be notified by telephone and mail, with the expense to be charged to Action in the Community.

Civil Rights. Mrs. Clark mentioned the letter from Mrs. Phillips, National LWV President, asking what the League can do in the present civil rights crisis. The Board felt that San Antonio is making considerable progress in this area. They wanted to give more thought to what the League could do. There did not seem to be a need to take immediate action.

In response to a question as to whether there are any Negro members in the San Antonio League, it was pointed out that there have been some in the past but not now. There was discussion as to whether we should try to organize a unit in any of the predominantly Negro areas. It was the consensus of the Board that any new Negro members we can get should be assigned into whichever regular units are closest to them.

Mrs. Brockhausen introduced the topic of the National CA Item on Foreign Economic Policy. Miss Betty Ellington is Chairman of this committee but is reported to be not in favor of the League's position on the foreign aid aspect of the item. Mrs. Ashford moved that since there is a question of whether Miss Ellington is in agreement with the League of Women Voters' position on foreign aid and since her career prevents her attendance at some Board meetings, she be asked by Mrs. Brockhausen whether she wishes to resign as Foreign Economic Policy Chairman. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Clark suggested that Mrs. Keith Rodgers be asked to be local Voter Editor. The Board agreed.

It was decided the calendar for the year should be taken up at the August Board meeting.

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14, at Mrs. Lecznar's.

The closing minutes of the meeting were given to comments on various topics:

Mrs. Brockhausen asked for any suggestions from Board members as to how to handle National Program items. She hoped that the League would watch for attacks on the UN on radio, in newspapers, and by people. It might be a project for the year to formulate answers to these criticisms.

Mrs. Lecznar wondered if voters service materials might be translated into Spanish for the benefit of the Latin American groups. The Voter's Key to '64 might be done. It was suggested we devote some voters service funds for free distribution of such materials. The President was asked to send a letter from the local Board to the State Board requesting that such materials be made available to us.

Mrs. Bohls, Finance Chairman, asked for new names of prospective contributors. She reported that thank-you notes have been sent to the men and women on the Advisory Committee on Finance telling of the success of this past year's drive and asking for names of prospective contributors.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

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BOARD MEETING for August 14, 1963

The regular August meeting of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Antonio was called to order by the President, Mrs. O. P. Clark, Jr., at 10:00 a.m., August 14, at the home of Mrs. W. B. Lecznar. Present were Mesdames Clark, Fox, Lecznar, Ashford, Brockhausen, McCrimmon, Mottweiler, Hall, Reeves, Church, Bohls, Reed, Rodgers and State Board member, Mrs. Prashner.

The minutes of the June Board Meeting were read and approved. Because of their unusual length, the President asked that the minutes of the July meeting be checked by a committee consisting of Mrs. Ashford and Mrs. Lecznar, with an eye to rewriting them in a briefer form.

The report of the Treasurer was postponed until later in the meeting.

Mrs. Clark reported that 5 people attended the Membership meeting at San Marcos and that Mrs. Ashford was one of the leaders of the workshop. She outlined the purpose of the meeting and brought the following ideas for Board consideration -

1. We might let up on orientation on League structure for a year and concentrate on orientation in government.
2. The "big sister" idea could be helpful
3. Some Leagues give new members a folder or handbook of materials.
4. New members should be involved immediately in Program.
5. Help new members write a letter to a legislator.
6. Put them on a Program Committee.
7. Have regular meetings of Program Committees.

Mrs. Reed suggested that a list be compiled of "baby sitters" who would be willing to free members to observe at governmental sessions. Mrs. Clark displayed pencils with the League name on them which can be ordered individually or by the Membership Committee at 25 for \$1.00.

Membership Chairman, Mrs. Carl Reed, Jr., announced that rehearsals are under way for the League O Rama production. She urged that the membership drive begin immediately, working toward a climax in October. It was decided to charge League members admission to the League O Rama of one guest per member. Mrs. Reed made a motion that the goal of 300 members be set for the end of the '63 - '64 year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashford. Mrs. Ashford made a motion to amend the previous motion to add that this be considered an every-member responsibility. The amendment was seconded by Mrs. Church. The motion as amended was carried. Mrs. Ashford made a motion that the League of Women Voters of San Antonio try a Big Sister plan to help get and keep new members. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hall and carried. There was discussion of which committee should be responsible for the arrangements for observers at governmental sessions, Program or Membership. There was considerable difference of opinion on this and more study is to be made.

Local C.A. Chairman, Mrs. Gerald Ashford, announced that the County Home Rule Commission has completed a charter and presented it to the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners are suing the charter writers and the Charter Commission is talking of bringing a mandamus suit against the County Commissioners to force an election. The County Home Rule Committee will meet soon to decide on further action. It does not seem necessary for the League to express itself at this time on the Charter.

The proposed calendar for the year 1963 - 64 was adopted and will go out with the September Voter. Units Chairman, Mrs. W. B. Lecznar, moved that the following Unit Leaders for 1963-64 be approved: Highland Park, Mrs. Mike Passur; Midtown, Mrs. George Smith; North Towne, Mrs. Herbert Soule; Olmos, Mrs. Eugene Prashner; San Pedro, Mrs. Samuel Young. Leaders for Jefferson and Alamo Heights have yet to be found. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Reeves and carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ashford and seconded by Mrs. Church that Mrs. Keith Rodgers be appointed by the Board as Voter Editor. The motion carried. The motion was made by Mrs. Lecznar that the Voter format be changed to letter-sized paper, in off-set printing by June's Print Shop, 1620 Fredericksburg Road. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Ashford made a motion that the name "The Voter" be studied for possible change by the Editor and her committee. The motion was seconded and carried. It was decided that each Voter would carry a condensed version of the briefing material for the coming month.

Mrs. Reeves made a motion that the Board accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Robert Hausman. The motion was seconded and carried. The nomination of Mrs. W. B. Lecznar to fill the position of 2nd Vice President vacated by Mrs. Hausman was approved by acclamation.

Mrs. Ashford made the motion that the Board accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Joseph Morsh. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Lecznar made the motion that Mrs. Fred Benke, Jr., be appointed as Secretary to fill the position vacated by Mrs. Morsh. The motion was seconded and carried.

United Nations Chairman, Mrs. H. P. McCrimmon, reported on the meeting called to plan the U.N. Day Community Luncheon. Every member of the Board is asked to attend, with as many others as care to go. The day begins with Brunch at 9:30 with guest, Jinx Falkenberg. Luncheon is at noon, \$2.50 a plate, with speaker Gen. Jark. Mrs. Ashford made a motion that the LNV of San Antonio contribute the \$10.00 requested as a donation for this affair. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bohls and carried.

Mrs. Reed made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to pay expenses for delegates to the Membership meeting in San Marcos. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Church and carried.

State C. R.s Chairman, Mrs. R. H. Mottweiler, announced a meeting in Austin on September 9 to kick off the Poll Tax Amendment drive. She and Mrs. Clark are planning to attend and urge anyone else interested to join them. Mrs. Ashford made the motion that all or part of the expenses of these delegates be paid, the amount to be determined at the next Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hall and carried.

The Treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Smith, made her Quarterly report and announced a Balance of \$1548.51.

Publications Chairman, Mrs. Frank Hall, announced that material for U. N. and State-Local Relations has been ordered and that the drive for the Local Subscription Service is under way. She also suggested that the President write a page for the Voter each month.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Anne Fox (Mrs. H. L.)
Secretary Pro Tem

The September Board Meeting will be held September 11th, 9:30, at the home of Hazel Koch, 231 Northridge Drive.

September 11, 1963

SEP 17 1963

At a regular meeting of the League of Women Voters Board of Directors held in the home of Mrs. F. M. Koch, [REDACTED], Sept 11, 1963. The meeting was called to order at 10: A.M. by the President, Mrs. O. Paul Clark. Board Members present were Mesdames Clark, Fox, Lecznar, Brockhausen, Koch, Rodgers, Bohls, Reed, Church, Mottweiler, Ashford, Reeves, Hall, Benke, Smith and Frashner.

July Board Minutes were approved. August Board Minutes were approved as corrected. The sentence "County Commissioners are suing the charter writers and the Charter Commission is talking of bringing a mandamus suit against the County Commissioners to force an election", was changed to read, "County Commissioners brought suit for a declaratory judgement against the Charter Writing Commission, challenging the legality of the Charter and the Charter Commission, in turn, asked for a writ of mandamus to force the County Commissioners to call for a charter election."

Treasurer's quarterly report was given. Copy attached.

Poll Tax Repeal-Mrs. Mottweiler gave report on the State Committee for Poll Tax Repeal Meeting in Austin. After discussion on organizing a local committee, on motion made by Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Mottweiler's committee was authorized to set up a steering committee to make plans for county wide repeal of Poll Tax Campaign. Mrs. Ashford suggested former Pres. Eisenhower as speaker for county wide meeting on Oct. 24th. Board approved general plans brought back from State Meeting.

It was moved by Mrs. Bohls that all expenses for delegates to Sept. 9th. meeting in Austin be paid by League. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Lecznar moved Mrs. Nolan be appointed to Board as Unit Organization Chairman. Seconded and carried. The Board agreed that Mrs. Nolan could continue to serve as election judge for elections other than primaries.

The Board approved Mrs. Lecznar's plan to divide responsibilities in the Units. Thus creating a Unit Administrator and a Discussion Leader. ~~Plans attached.~~

Mrs. Koch suggested each member receive a copy of the duties of each Unit Office.

Plans for the Unit Leaders workshop on Sept. 16th were approved by the Board.

The Board approved a request by some members of the Jefferson Unit to allow them to divide into a day and night group.

Mrs. Ashford moved that each Unit be supplied with a Local League Hand Book. Seconded and carried. The Board agreed that this book would be Unit property and should be passed on to next Unit Leader.

Mrs. Ashford moved and it was seconded that each Unit Leader receive a local subscription service. Motion carried.

The Board approved Orientation Plans for new members presented by Mrs. Reed. The Orientation will stress government rather than League structure.

She presented two locations available for "League o Rama Game" Membership Drive, Jewish Community Center ~~sponsoring~~ costing \$27.50 and El Antonio Country Club who will charge sixty cents per person.

The Jewish Community Centers price did not include refreshments.

Mrs. Reeves suggested the Women's Club but was not considered since negroes were not allowed there. After lengthy discussion, it was moved by Mrs. Lecznar that the League pay total cost of the membership drive meeting to be held at night at El Antonio on Oct. 17th. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Fox reported on Publicity Plans for the "League O Rama Game", which includes a fifteen minute T.V. spot on the Joan Bryant Show, radio and T.V. announcements and a flyer going out with the voter. These plans were approved by the Board. The Joan Bryant Show will include a panel of League Members who will speak on Repeal the Poll Tax.

State Local Relations, Mrs. Church ~~in~~ outlined plans for the two unit meetings in Oct. and explained that her committee was now working on the best possible way to present Finance and Alternate Approaches to the Units. She told the group her plans are to interview several business men in the city to obtain their ideas. Among those mentioned were Tax Assessor-Collector, Davis, Commissioner Jorrie, and Truett Chance, Professor of Govt. at San Antonio College. The Board approved the sum of thirty to thirty-five dollars to mail "alternate Approaches" and "Finance" to interested citizens in the community. These publications will be sent to out contributors by Mrs. Bohls.

Mrs. Bohls reported her plan to send out membership contribution letters with the voter for Membership Drive in Oct.

The Board approved a new letterhead for the Voter designed by Mrs. Fox. Since a change to professional services to print the Voter would exceed the budget allowance, the Voter Editor, Mrs. Rogers and First Vice Pres. volunteered to do this work ~~themselves~~. Mrs. Fox

The Pres. read a letter from Mr. Grossebacher, thanking members for their interest in the County Home Rule Charter and asked if it should be sent to each member. The Board decided against this since the Voter already had so many enclosures for the coming month.

Mrs. Rodgers reported that the Post Office Dept. was unable to send the Voter under non-profit organization mailing.

Due to the Repeal of the Poll Tax Campaign, the Board decided that League members would be unable to assist Mrs. Schmidt in the Tax-Assessors Collectors Office in ~~issuing~~ issuing overage exemption certificates during the month of Oct.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. Fred Benke, jr.
Secretary

Budget Report-----April 1, 1963----- Sept 30, 1963

Expenditures	1963-64 Budget	Actual Expenditures	
Presidents Acct.	75.00	25.00	50.00
Committees			
Resources	35.00	-----	35.00
Units	25.00	10.00	15.00
Membership	35.00	13.04	21.96
Finance	150.00	5.00	145.00
Public Relations	10.00	8.00	2.00
Delegates	250.00	6.80	243.20

Operating Costs			
Supplies	200.00	96.20	103.80
Postage	100.00	45.00	55.00
Telephones & Telegraph	160.00	68.34	91.66
Office Rent	330.00	165.00	165.00
Repairs to Eqpt.	20.00	-----	20.00
Office Furniture		217.92	

Publications			
State & Natl Pub. Cost	236.24		
Less * <u>36.40</u>	150.00	199.84	- 49.84
Voter	275.00	122.11	152.89
Action in Community			
Meetings	60.00	6.30	53.61
Local Program	100.00	-----	100.00
State & Natl			
Program	75.00	39.47	35.53
Voter Service	150.00	-----	150.00
Reserve	100.00	-----	-----
State & Natl			
Service	<u>1600.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>
	<u>3900.00</u>	<u>1828.01</u>	

	Budget 1963-64	Actual
Income		
Dues	1100.00	905.00
Contributions		
Members	175.00	46.00
Contributions		
Non Members	2600.00	5.00
Other Sources	<u>25.00</u>	<u>9.25</u>
	<u>3900.00</u>	<u>965.25</u>
Cash on Hand March 31, 1963		<u>2018.49</u>
		<u>2983.74</u>
Less Expenditures		<u>1828.01</u>
Cash on Hand Sept. 30, 1963		<u>1155.73</u>
Reserve-Savings Account		<u>750.00</u>
		<u>1905.73</u>

RICHARDSON LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS.
Executive Board Meeting - March 13, 1964

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The first meeting of the new Board was held following the annual meeting at Dallas Federal Community Room on March 13th. Present were Mes. Knie, Anderson, Pohl, Connors, Wilson, Eichholz, Schaefer and Stewart.

After the members posed for a picture for the newspaper, Mrs. Knie informed the Board of past difficulties with Mr. Heaton, the editor of the Richardson Digest. She reported that he had neglected to run the announcement of Mrs. Sloan's resignation from the Board because of her husband's candidacy for school board for two issues. She specifically asked him to run it in the next issue.

9:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month seems to be a convenient time for the Board to meet. The next meeting will be on April 7th at the home of Mrs. Knie.

The members discussed the assignments that were of particular interest to them in picking their portfolios. Mrs. Connors was interested in Program, Mrs. Pohl in Membership, Mrs. Wilson will be the Treasurer, Mrs. Schaefer, the Secretary and Mrs. Eichholz was interested in a National item.

Mrs. Knie was instructed to ask Mrs. Schloss to take over the bulletin as an off-Board position, and Mrs. Berry to continue with the School Item and Mrs. MacPherson the Sanitation Item. The last two will be Board positions.

Adjournment by agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Vernon H. Schaefer
Secretary

Board Meeting
Provisional League of Women Voters
San Marcos, Texas

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AUG 10 1962

June 18, 1962, at the home of Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, 211 West Woods, the newly elected officers and board members of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met for the primary purpose of selecting six additional board members. Present were Mrs. William H. Crook, president, Dr. Emmie Craddock, 1st vice president, Mrs. John Woodard, 2nd vice president, Miss Kay Farquhar, secretary, and the board members, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Robert B. Reed, Mrs. Katherine Hardeman, and Mrs. Bob A. Cooper. The treasurer, Mrs. Russell Munson, and Mrs. Marvin C. Midkiff and Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez were unable to attend.

The first business was a report from Mrs. Munson's budget committee. Mrs. C. B. Parmon gave the report, explaining that the budget had been set up on the assumption that there would be a membership of fifty at five dollars apiece or two hundred and fifty dollars. Membership has already surpassed the initial estimate, however, so it was decided that all additional money was to be listed as miscellaneous, pending Mrs. M. S. Braunegel's advice. The budget provided for:

\$10.00	President and Board
20.00	Committees
10.00	Observers
25.00	Supplies
8.00	Postage
2.00	Bank charges
35.00	Publications
45.00	Local voters guides
15.00	Monthly bulletin
10.00	Activities
50.00	Initial pledge
20.00	Miscellaneous
<u>\$250.00</u>	Total

Dr. Craddock moved that thereport be accepted with the revision that a fund for the President's use of the telephone and for other emergencies be made possible if funds were available. The budget was accepted unanimously with Dr. Craddock's amendment.

Other topics discussed included potential membership and suggested methods for sustaining interest in the organization.

The main order of business was the selection of six additional board members. Mrs. Crook read the list submitted by the nominating committee and other names were mentioned from the floor. A list of all officers, board members and their positions, and addresses is attached.

The next board meeting was set for 2:00 P.M., July 19, at the home of Mrs. William Crook, 227 Mitchell. The next general meeting was set for 7:30 P.M., July 19, at Carson's Restaurant.

Kay Farquhar
Kay Farquhar
Secretary

Mrs. William Crook
President

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Board Meeting
Provisional League of Women Voters
San Marcos, Texas

July 19, 1962, at the home of Mrs. William H. Crook, 227 Mitchell, the provisional board met with its advisor, Mrs. M. S. Braunagel of Temple, and the state president, Mrs. Maurice Brown of waco. All the members were present except Mrs. Marvin Midkiff, Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez, and Mrs. John Woodard.

Mrs. Crook, the president, first recognized our guests and then the new board members, Mrs. William C. Allbright, Mrs. William C. Pool, Mrs. W.E. Norris, and Mrs. Charles Ramsay. She then went on to point out that the responsibility in the League rests with the board as a whole, not with any single individual. Mrs. Braunagel followed with a few remarks on committees, their function and membership. Most important of all seems to be the necessity to involve everyone who joins with some task. The answer here, according to Mrs. Braunagel, lies in advance planning.

A large portion of the meeting was given over to a discussion of nonpartisanship.

In closing Mrs. Braunagel explained the League "calendar," and the next board meeting was set for August 21, 1962, at Mrs. Crook's. The third Tuesday in every month at 7:30 P.M. is to be the permanent board date.

Mrs. William H. Crook
President

Kay Farquhar

Kay Farquhar
Secretary

Mrs. William Crook
President

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AUG 10 1962

General Meeting
Provisional League of Women Voters
San Marcos, Texas

July 19, 1962, at 7:30 P.M. at Carson's Restaurant the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met, for the second time.

The president, Mrs. William H. Crook, began the meeting by introducing the state president, Mrs. Maurice Brown, and our advisor, Mrs. M.S. Braunagel.

The next order of business was the adoption of the by-laws. The motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Secondly, Mrs. C.B. Parman of the budget committee gave its report, and the motion was made that the budget be accepted. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.

Mrs. Crook then introduced the new board members and the new committee assignments,, and a discussion followed concerning our choice of program. Two decisions were made: first, that we would begin with continuing responsibilities on the state level, and second, that our next general meeting be given over to a review in civics. The next general meeting was scheduled for August 23 at the Hays County Court House at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting closed with an address by the state president, Mrs. Brown. It was her first official appearance before a local league, and she welcomed us as a provisional league.

Mrs. William H. Crook
President

Kay Farquhar

Kay Farquhar
Secretary

Mrs. William Crook
President

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MINUTES OF THE PRE-PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, AUGUST 23, 1962


The Pre-Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos held a general meeting in the Hays County Court Room at 7:30 p.m., August 23, 1962, with Mrs. William Crook presiding. About 30 members were present, and several men.

The President introduced officers and board members and briefly described their duties. Several board members named the members of their committees and introduced those present.

Unit Meetings were announced for the 2nd and 4th Tuesday nights, 2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings, and 1st and 3rd Thursday nights. Members were asked to choose the most convenient time and register on a schedule that was passed around. All Units will be studying "Know Your Town" and "Know Your County" during the Fall.

Mrs. Crook introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Richard Henderson, professor of Social Science at Southwest Texas State College, whose topic was "Party Structure and Voter Participation". A question and answer and discussion period followed his talk, with general participation.

Respectfully submitted,


Dorothy O. Yorrell
Acting Secretary

Mrs. William Crook, Pres

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PRE-PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 10, 1962

Present: Mrs. William Crook, President
Dr. Emmie Craddock, First Vice-president
Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary
Board Members: Mrs. William Allbright,
Mrs. Katherine Hardeman, Mrs. Bob Cooper,
Mrs. William Pool, Mrs. W.E. Norris, Mrs. Robert Reed,
Mrs. Charles Ramsay and Mrs. Marvin Midkiff.

Absent: Mrs. John Woodard, 2nd Vice-president; Mrs. Russell
Munson, Treasurer; Board Members Mrs. Spurgeon
Smith and Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez.

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the
dining room of her home at 227 Mitchell Street.

Materials were distributed to the various members of the Board.

The Area Conference in Victoria on October 16-17 was announced and
all Board Members urged to attend.

The first Unit Meeting, held at the home of Mrs. H. Garland Stokes
on Sept. 6 was evaluated and it was decided to change the presentation
of material at the other two scheduled meetings that week. Four members
of the Board had participated in the first Unit Meeting, and a lively
discussion on its merits was held.

The President then read the following statement to the Board:

"It is with real regret and after much deliberation that I submit to
you my resignation as President of the San Marcos Pre-Provisional
League of Women Voters in order to be free to assume an active role
in the party of my choice. My decision has been made easier by the
tremendous amount of leadership I know to be available both within
the board and membership as a whole. I will of course continue as an
active member of the League and will be happy to serve in any non-board
position where I may be of help.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Crook."

Mrs. Crook explained that she had agreed to have her name placed
in nomination at the State Democratic Convention Sept. 18 for
Democratic Committeewoman of Senatorial District 19.

After the first shock of the announcement had passed, Board Members
took up the business of filling the office left vacant by Mrs. Crook's
resignation. Mrs. Reed moved that Mrs. Crook's resignation be accepted.
Dr. Craddock seconded the motion, which carried. Mrs. Norris proposed
that Dr. Craddock be named president. Mrs. Crook stated that according
to the By-Laws, Dr. Craddock, as vice-president, would automatically
assume the office of president. This action was nevertheless given a
unanimous vote of approval. Mrs. Ramsay moved that Mrs. W.E. Norris
be named vice-president. Mrs. Bob Cooper seconded the motion and
Mrs. Norris was elected by acclamation.

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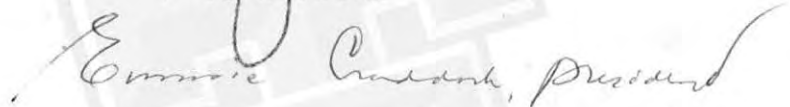
Various names were then proposed and discussed for Unit Chairman, to fill the vacancy created by Mrs. Norris' election as vice-president. On motion of Mrs. Ramsay and second of Mrs. Allbright, it was unanimously voted to have the secretary telephone Mrs. Hollis Smith and ask her if she would accept the post of Unit Chairman. She graciously accepted and was named to the Board.

The meeting adjourned after many expressions of appreciation for Mrs. Crook's outstanding leadership in the organization of the League in San Marcos.

The next Board Meeting was set for October 8, 1962.

Respectfully submitted,


Dorothy O. Worrell


Emmie Crook, President

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS

OCTOBER 8, 1962

Present: Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, Vice-president
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Board Members Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman,
Mrs. William C. Allbright, Mrs. Bob A. Cooper,
Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Robert B.
Reed, Mrs. Charles A. Ramsay and Mrs. Marvin Midkiff

Absent: Mrs. Russell W. Munson, Mrs. William C. Pool and
Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez

The Board met at the home of the President, 1235 Belvin Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., October 8, 1962.

The minutes of the September 10 meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Craddock announced that the San Marcos Pre-Provisional League had met all requirements of the first phase of organization and as of September 25, 1962, is a Provisional League of Women Voters. Mrs. M.S. Braunegal of Temple will serve as Advisor to the local League.

The President announced the resignation of Mrs. John Woodward as 2nd Vice-president and Chairman of Public Relations. A general discussion on the duties of the 2nd Vice-president was held and Mrs. Allbright was asked if she would accept the office when the "Know Your Town Survey" is completed. Further discussion was held on the duties and responsibilities of the office and Public Relations.

Mrs. Reed moved that Mrs. Allbright be appointed to the Board as 2nd Vice-president. Mrs. Hardeman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The President spoke of the need to publicize the fact that the League is still open to new members. A story in the RECORD was suggested. Dr. Craddock called attention to a League publication "Tips on Reaching the Public."

The LWV Area Conference in Victoria was discussed. Mrs. Cooper said she planned to go, and was named official San Marcos delegate.

The Finance Drive was introduced for discussion. Mrs. Ramsay reminded members that Mrs. Braunegal had said the drive could not be conducted until after the January election. It was agreed that Mrs. Joe Holleran would be the best possible choice for Finance Chairman. Mrs. Allbright moved that the President be authorized to approach Mrs. Holleran about serving on the Board as Finance Chairman. Mrs. Hardeman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dr. Craddock commented on the "fluctuating membership" and the poor attendance at the Thursday night Unit Meetings. The President asked Board Members to take the initiative at Unit Meetings in introducing new members or visitors. This should be done before the program starts. It was agreed that "Orientation" sessions should be held frequently, in order to acquaint new members with the League objectives.

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Mrs. Hardeman suggested that Mrs. Eugene Sample might be elected to the Board to assist Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez with "Publications".

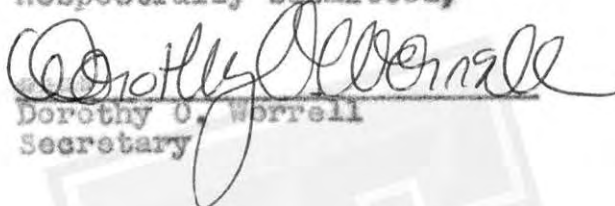
Mrs. Reed gave a report on her work as Chairman of "Voter Service". Plans for the distribution of "Voters' Guide" prior to the November 6 General Election were announced. Mrs. Hardeman offered to take a number of copies for distribution at a meeting of Better Citizens for Better Government. Dr. Craddock offered to distribute copies at the Faculty Meeting of Southwest State College.

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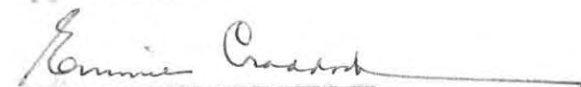
At the conclusion of the business session, Dr. Craddock distributed LNW materials to the members.

The next Board Meeting was scheduled at Dr. Craddock's home, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 20. Members were asked to notify Dr. Craddock or the Secretary, if unable to attend.

Respectfully submitted,


Dorothy O. Worrell
Secretary

Approved:


Emmie Craddock,
President

Approved by Board:

Corrections:

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DEC 20 1962

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, NOV. 20, 1962

Present: Dr. Emmie Graddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, Vice-president
Mrs. Dorothy C. Worrell, Secretary
Mrs. Russell W. Munson, Treasurer
Board Members Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman,
Mrs. Bob A. Cooper, Mrs. Wm. C. Pool, Mrs.
Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Robert B.
Reed, Mrs. Charles A. Ramsay, Mrs. Marvin Midkiff
and Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. M.S. Braunegal of Temple.
Absent: Mrs. Wm. C. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president, and
Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez

The Board met at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 20, 1962, at the home of
the President. Mrs. Braunegal was welcomed by the President.

The Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved,
subject to a correction in paragraph 8: "November election",
instead of "January".

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$168.70 in the treasury.

Mrs. Pool moved that the members be asked for approval of
using the \$100 over and above the budgeted funds, for publicity.
The request would be made at the general meeting in January.
Mrs. Reed seconded the motion, which carried.

It was decided to continue with the Thursday night Unit Meetings,
Mrs. David Conrad having agreed to take Mrs. Lowman's place.
Mrs. Holleran offered to be responsible for the key to the
Blair Room in First National Bank, where meetings are held.

The Spring Program was discussed. State-Local Relations will
be the theme for the January Membership Meeting. Unit Meetings
will take up the study of Foreign Relations and the Common Market.

Dr. Graddock agreed to provide a speaker for the January 17
General Meeting, which will be held at the Blair Room.

Publications
Under "New Business", it was announced that Mrs. Braunegal
had met with the ~~Publications~~ Committee on Nov. 26. Mrs. Hardeman
had agreed to serve as Co-Chairman with Mrs. Rodriguez. Mrs.
Hardeman moved that Mrs. Eugene Sample be named to the Board as
a member of the Publications Committee. The By-Laws were checked
and it was found that seventeen women could serve on the Board.
Mrs. Munson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

It was announced that Mrs. Hugh Meredith, Publications Committee,
would attend the Tuesday morning unit meetings.

The Committee appointed to draw up a tentative Policy Sheet
for the local League was scheduled to meet on Nov. 21 at the
home of Mrs. Wm. H. Crook.

It was announced that the Finance Committee had met with Mrs.
Braunegal on Nov. 20. Mrs. Holleran reported that the Finance

Drive would start in February following a Proclamation by the Governor. She will need about 30 members of the League to solicit gifts from about 80 prospects. Contributions may not be accepted from elected officials, or candidates for office. Possible members for the Finance Committee were suggested. Mrs. Holleran was asked to get price estimates on printed stationery and letters for the drive.

The President proposed that the material gathered in the "Know Your Town" and "Know Your County" surveys be published in booklet form.

Mrs. Pool moved that the President be authorized to get estimates on the cost of printing 500 such booklets. Mrs. Morris seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Establishment of a League Speakers Bureau was discussed. It was decided to send out notices to the service clubs that speakers would be available for programs.

Appointment of a Budget Committee was discussed. It was brought out that all members do not have to be board members to serve on committees. The Treasurer and the Chairman of the Finance Committee should serve on the Budget Committee. Members suggested for the Budget Committee were Miss Lillian Barclay, Mrs. Wm. H. Crook, Mrs. C.D. Parman, Mrs. Munson and Mrs. Holleran.

The President requested that anyone wishing to make a purchase for needed supplies for League work, to check first with the Treasurer, and also to sign the charge slip and identify the committee or office for which the purchase was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Dorothy C. Worrell
Secretary

Approved:


Emmie Craddock, President

Corrections:

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JAN 16 1963

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, DEC. 18, 1962

Present: Dr. Bamie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, First Vice-president
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary
Mrs. Russell W. Munson, Treasurer

Board Members Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman,
Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Lupe Rodriguez,
Mrs. Marvin Midkiff and Mrs. Joe Holleran

Absent: Mrs. W.E. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president;
Mrs. Bob A. Cooper, Mrs. Wm. G. Pool,
Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Robert B. Reed, and
Mrs. Charles A. Ramsay

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos, Texas, met at the home of the President, 1235 Belvin Street, at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 18, 1962. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$155.07 as of Nov. 30, 1962.

The President read a letter from Mrs. Eugene Sample, declining with regret her appointment to the Board. She said she would be glad to help in any other capacity. It was agreed that the vacancy on the Board would not be filled immediately.

Mrs. Holleran reported that Feb. 20, 1963 had been set as a tentative date to start the Finance Drive. She announced that Mrs. Tom Oliver, Mrs. Tom Brasher and Mrs. Elizabeth Wells had agreed to serve with her on the Finance Committee. Plans include a "kick-off" coffee. Mrs. Holleran will need the assistance of board members in getting out letters, typing two sets of filing cards for prospective donors, etc.

The President reported that work is progressing on preparation of the data of the Know Your City and Know Your County Surveys with the prospect of publishing a booklet for distribution.

The Policy Sheet was presented by the Committee and after discussion of each section, and two additions, it was accepted by the Board.

Mrs. Norris led a discussion on whether members should have to be notified of Unit Meetings. She said it seemed generally agreed that the "Buddy System" is preferable to having a calling committee. Under this plan, each member makes herself responsible for calling members informally, and perhaps offering to pick them up.

Matters to be placed on the agenda of the Jan. 17, 1963 Membership Meeting at the Blair Room were discussed. It was agreed to hold the business meeting at 7:30, and ask the speaker, Dan Harlow, to speak at 8:15. His topic was announced as "The Lt. Governorship of Texas". Mrs. Munson was asked to prepare a summarized treasurer's report. Coffee will be served at the meeting.

Mrs. Hardeman distributed material on Foreign Policy, which is "Current Agenda" for the League.
The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Eleanor President
Dorothy O. Worrell, Secy

FEB 25 1963

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, JAN. 15 '63

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met in regular session at the home of the President, Dr. Emmie Craddock, on Jan. 15, 1963.

The Board endorsed Mrs. Bob Cooper's suggestion that her committee and any other interested League members attend County Commissioners Court and City Council meetings.

The resignation of Mrs. Robert Reed as Voters Service Chairman was accepted with regret. It was decided to leave the vacancy on the Board for the present.

Mrs. David Conrad accepted the responsibility of heading the Poll Tax Drive.

Mrs. Bob Cooper reported on the State Convention of the League. The 1964 Convention will be held in Corpus Christi.

It was suggested that County Judge Max Smith be asked to speak on "Special Districts" at the April 18 General Meeting.

Mrs. Charles Ramsay moved that the The Local Voter be issued in February instead of January. The motion carried.

The Board reconsidered and decided not to serve coffee at the Jan. 17 General Meeting.

The Board approved \$10 toward Mrs. Cooper's expenses to Victoria, as provided in the budget.

Mrs. Joe Holleran was authorized by the Board to purchase the necessary supplies for the Finance Drive.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Russell Munson
Acting Secretary

Approved:

Emmie Craddock
Emmie Craddock
President

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MAR 22 1963

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, FEB. 19, '63

Present: Dr. Essie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Morris, First Vice-president
Mrs. Russell W. Munson, Treasurer

Board Members: Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman,
Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. Charles A. Ramsay, and
Mrs. William C. Pool; and Mrs. C.D. Parman, member.

Absent: Mrs. W.E. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president; Mrs.
Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary, Mrs. Hollis Smith
and Mrs. ~~Bob A. Pool~~, *Grove Smith, Mrs. Mickitt.*

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of
San Marcos met at the home of the President at 7:30 p.m.,
Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1963. The Minutes of the previous meeting
were approved as read.

The President reminded members that the Hays County Commissioners
Court and the City Council would meet on March 11 and March 12,
respectively, and urged that as many as possible attend.

Mrs. David Conrad was extended a vote of thanks for her excellent
job on poll tax promotion and sales. It was announced that
there were about 200 exemptions handled.

^{^ poll tax applications and}
It was suggested that the League start a scrap book of clippings
pertaining to League activities. Mrs. Wilma Reed was suggested
for the post of Historian.

Mrs. Joe Holleran reported that the Finance Drive would get
underway at a breakfast meeting the next day, Feb. 20.

It was suggested that the next Voters' Guide include a reminder
of the two elections to be held in April.

Mrs. Parman was directed to start work on the budget on the
basis of a membership figure of 60.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wells and Mrs. Helen Allen were suggested
as prospective board members to fill existing vacancies.

It was decided to attach a membership drive letter to the
Voters Guide for April. The Board discussed the feasibility
of combining the April general meeting and a membership coffee.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W.E. Morris
Acting Secretary

Approved:

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APR 19 1963

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN
VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, MARCH 19, 1963

Present: Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, First Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Board Members: Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. Katherine Hardeman,
Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. Marvin Midkiff
Mrs. Bob Cooper

Absent: Mrs. William Allbright and Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Board Members

Guests: Mrs. William Pool and Mrs. Hazel Duncan

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met at the home of the President at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 1963. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected.

Dr. Craddock reported on Mrs. Braunegal's visit to San Marcos. Vacancies on the Board were discussed. Mrs. William Pool, whose resignation was tendered when her husband announced as a candidate for the City Council, was given a vote of thanks for her splendid service for the League. It was announced that Mrs. Marvin Midkiff would be leaving San Marcos soon. Mrs. Joe Holleran agreed to accept the Membership Chairmanship on her departure.

Mrs. Holleran was given a vote of thanks for an outstanding job on the Finance Drive. It was reported that \$505.00 was in hand, with a possibility of more. Mrs. Holleran praised the work of the members of her committee, who were included in the vote of thanks.

Dr. Craddock reported that Miss Lillian Barclay was editing and condensing the League's work on the "Know Your County" and "Know Your City" surveys, in preparation for getting estimates for publication.

Board members were asked for suggestions for the Speakers Bureau. The following names were suggested, to be turned over to Mrs. William Crook, Speakers Bureau Chairman: Mrs. Everett Johnson, Miss Nell Jennings, Mrs. Jerry Moore, Emmie Craddock, Mrs. Bob Cooper, Mrs. Joe Holleran, Merry Fitzpatrick, Betty Kissler, Peggy Cox

The Treasurer reported a balance in the bank, prior to the Finance Drive, of \$88.27.

The Presidents Meeting, to be held in Austin March 20 was discussed. Dr. Craddock, Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Allbright, Mrs. Holleran, Mrs. Cooper, and Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Munson planned to attend. A \$6 registration fee was required and board members discussed at length how much of the expense should be met by the League. Mrs. Worrell moved that the League pay the registration fee for the President and two observers. Mrs. Cooper seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The agenda and the guest speaker for the April 18 General Meeting were discussed. A number of people were discussed as speakers. Mrs. Midkiff moved that Mrs. Will Burnett be asked to speak April 18. Mrs. Hardeman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mrs. Norris discussed topics of programs for the next few months.

Approved: Correction: Mrs. Wilson Nolle will be the speaker
at the annual meeting, April 18, 1963.

Secretary

Approved:
Emmie Craddock, Pres.

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
of San Marcos.

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April 16, 1963

Present: Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, Jr., First Vice President
Mrs. William Albright, Second Vice President
Board Members: Mrs. Katherine Hardeman, Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. Marvin Midkiff, Mrs. Bob Cooper, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith
Absent: Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Worrell, Secretary,
Board members: Mrs. Joe Holleran.

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met at the home of the President at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 16, 1963. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The proposed budget and program for the year 1963-64 were discussed and approved by unanimous vote on a motion by Mrs. Midkiff and second by Mrs. Cooper.

The President reported that Lillian Barclay had completed the editing of the Know your Town and Know Your County studies, that the Know Your County survey was in the hands of Mrs. Hazel Duncan who is checking it with County officials for accuracy; that the Know Your City would be given to Mrs. Worrell for any needed corrections by city officials. Plans for publication were discussed, along with an estimated cost submitted by the San Marcos Record. Prices quoted were as follows: 2000 copies \$306.90; prices were also obtained for 3000 and 5000 copies. The Board voted unanimously on the motion of Mrs. Hardeman and second by Mrs. Spurgeon Smith to accept the Record's price but to investigate the possibility of getting some further reduction to bring the price more in line with the \$250.00 allocated for the project in the 1963-64 budget.

The Board requested the President to investigate the possibility of a visit by Mrs. Braunagel for consultation with the Board on May 21, since Mrs. Norris, 1st Vice President will be leaving for the summer three days thereafter.

The President announced that Mrs. William Pool whose resignation from the Board was required by the political activities of her husband, will continue to direct the work of preparing programs on Continuing Responsibilities but that she will not be a member of the Board and will not attend its meetings.

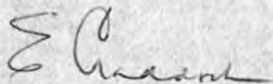
Further discussion of a Speakers Bureau was held. Mrs. Crook is in the process of sending out information concerning the availability of speakers to various clubs and organizations which might be interested in requesting League speakers to appear. Names of various members who could and would speak on topics already studied were suggested and will be given to Mrs. Crook by Mrs. Norris. The President will order copies of Speak For the League and How for distribution to such speakers.

It was decided to try a luncheon meeting of the Board in May to avoid conflicts with numerous other engagements at night. The meeting will be held at noon at Hill's Restaurant on May 21.

Plans for the annual meeting on Thursday, April 18, were discussed. The speaker will be Mrs. Wilson Nolle, State Legislative Chairman of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

Emmie Craddock, President.

Approved:



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Adopted~~PROPOSED~~ BUDGET FOR PERIOD April 1, 1963 to April 1, 1964Provisional League of Women Voters
San Marcos, Texas.EXPENDITURES

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1. President and Board of Directors	\$30.00
2. Committees	30.00
3. Observers	20.00

Operating Bosts

4. Audit	-----
5. Equipment (rental, upkeep, repairs)	-----
6. Supplies	15.00
7. Postage	15.00
8. Telephone and telegraph	-----
9. Bank charges	-----
	<u>110.00</u>

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

10. New equipment

PUBLICATIONS

11a. State-National: cost	\$145.00	
Less sales	<u>15.00</u>	Net \$130.00
11b. Local: cost	250.00	
Less sales	<u>10.00</u>	Net 240.00
12. Monthly Bulletin and mailing	<u>70.00</u>	<u>70.00</u>
		<u>440.00</u>

ACTIVITIES

13. Meetings	-----
14. Action in the Community	\$20.00
15. State and National Services	100.00
16. Miscellaneous	<u>30.00</u>
	<u>150.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$700.00

INCOME

Dues (60 members @ \$5.00)	\$300.00	
Contributions: Members	-----	
Non-Members	<u>400.00</u>	\$700.00
Publications Sales	-----	
Less Cost	-----	Net -----
Other Sources	-----	Net -----
		<u>700.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME		\$700.00

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, JUNE 18, 1963

Present: Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. Wm. Allbright, Second Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Hollis Smith,
Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. Bob Cooper,
Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. V.C. Overall

Mrs. Lois Braunegal, State Board Member

Absent: Mrs. W.E. Norris, First Vice-president,
on leave of absence for the Summer
Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman, attending
workshop at the University of Texas

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos, Texas, met at Hill's Restaurant at 12 noon, Dr. Craddock presiding. Mrs. Overall was welcomed as a new Board.

Mrs. Braunegal was greeted as State Board Member and the Sponsor of the San Marcos Provisional League.

Dr. Craddock read a letter from the State President, asking the local League to sponsor a one-day area workshop on Membership in August. Mrs. Braunegal explained that local League members would be expected to provide a place to hold the workshop, provide a tape recorder, and register those attending. Everything else would be provided by the State organization, including the speaker.

Mrs. Allbright moved that the local League sponsor an area workshop on Membership from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday, August 13. Mrs. Holleran seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Mrs. Allbright agreed to secure a place to hold the workshop.

The Membership Tea, to be held in September, was discussed.

Mrs. Braunegal said the local League would probably be admitted to full status next March, and the membership should be thinking about choosing a local item as the first project.

The Treasurer reported \$679.07 in the treasury.

Mrs. Worrell turned in the Know Your City Survey material, which had been checked by the City Manager for errors. It was reported that Mrs. Hazel Duncan had the County Survey material ready to turn in.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

E. Craddock
Approved:

Dorothy O. Worrell
Dorothy O. Worrell
Secretary

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, JULY 17 '63

Present: Dr. Eemie Craddock, President
Mrs. Wm. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. V.C. Overall,
Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith,
and a guest member, Mrs. Frank Duncan

Absent: Mrs. Bob Cooper, Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman
and Mrs. W.E. Morris, Mrs. Chas. Ramsey

The Board of the Provisional League of Women of San Marcos met at Hill's Restaurant at noon, July 16, 1963, with Dr. Craddock presiding.

The May and June Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance in the bank of \$670.15.

The Area Workshop on Membership to be held in San Marcos on Tuesday, August 13, was discussed. Cost of the workshop was set at \$1 for registration and \$1.25 for luncheon. Mrs. Allbright agreed to arrange a meal with Mr. Carson. Registration will start at Carson's at 10 a.m.; luncheon will be served at noon; the workshop sessions will close at 3 p.m. Dr. Craddock said she had written to all area League presidents, inviting them to send representatives.

The date of the Membership Tea was set for September 19.

It was agreed to hold a board meeting at noon, August 12, at Carson's. The September Board Meeting was set for Sept. 16.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Dorothy O. Worrell
Secretary

Approved as correct

E. Craddock
Eemie Craddock, President

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, AUG. 12, 1963

Present:

Dr. Emmie Craddock, President,
Mrs. Wm. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman, Mrs. Joe Holleran,
Mrs. Bob Cooper, Board Members

Mrs. Hazel Duncan, League Member

Absent:

Mrs. W.E. Norris, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Hollis Smith,
Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. V.C. Overall

The President called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m., Aug. 12, 1963,
at Carson's Restaurant.

The Minutes of the July meeting were approved with the addition of
Mrs. Charles Ramsay's name among those ^{absent} present on July 17, 1963.

The Treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of \$698.47, as of Aug. 12.
Mrs. Munson reported 52 paid members.

The Membership Tea to be held at the Craddock home on Sept. 19 was
discussed, and some committees appointed.

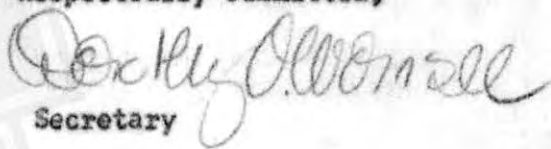
The need for all-out support of the passage of Amendment 1 in the
Nov. 9 election was stressed.

It was announced that a film on the United Nations would be shown
at the Unit Meeting at the Blair Room on Oct. 3.

The next Board Meeting was announced for Sept. 16, at Carson's.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

Approved:


President

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, SEPT. 16, 1963

Present:

Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, 1st Vice-president
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. Spurgeon Smith, Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman,
Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. Bob Cooper, Mrs. V.C. Overall,

Guest, Mrs. Hazel Duncan

Absent:

Mrs. Wm. Allbright, Mrs. Russell Munson,
Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. Hollis Smith

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos met at Carson's Restaurant at noon on September 16, 1963, with Dr. Emmie Craddock presiding.

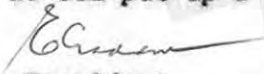
The President reported that galley proofs of the "Know Your County-Know Your City Survey" had been corrected and it was hoped that 100 copies would be off the press of THE RECORD in time to distribute at the Membership Tea, September 19. Estimated cost of 2,000 copies was \$288.00, or a guarantee of "under \$300.00". The question of whether to charge for the booklet was discussed, and by common consent, it was agreed to charge 25¢. Copies are to be sent to those who supported the League's financial drive. It was agreed to place copies at strategic places for distribution.

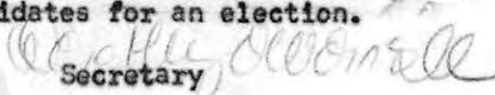
Dr. Craddock announced that Mrs. Braunegal would be in attendance at the tea; Mrs. Overall offered to meet her 10 a.m. bus and take her to lunch on the 19th. Mrs. Braunegal plans to spend the night of the 19th and meet with the program committee.

The need to support the repeal of the poll tax was discussed. Mrs. Cooper was authorized to buy literature in the amount of \$16.30 for distribution.

A copy of a letter written by Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman to the acting chairman of the newly organized Good Government League, in which she explained that she felt she could not be a member of GGL and serve on the Board of the League of Women Voters, was read aloud. Mrs. Hardeman explained that she had been persuaded to retain her membership in GGL after writing the letter. She asked for the opinion of the Board, and a discussion of the matter ensued. Dr. Craddock said she had called the State President on the matter. Mrs. Brown advised that it was probably all right for a person to serve in both organizations, until such time as GGL put up a slate of candidates for an election.

Approved:


President


Secretary

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

3 October 1963

INTERIM (HALFWAY) REPORT ON PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

1. Date of recognition as Provisional League: 21 September 1962.
2. Number of paid members at time of recognition: 65. Present membership: 80.
3. How many members are there on the Board at present: 13. List their work assignments. (This does not mean names of individuals.)

President	2nd Vice President (Public Relations)
1st Vice President (Program)	Finance
National Current Agenda	Membership
State Current Agenda	Publications
Unit Organization	Voters Service
Secretary	San Marcos <u>Voter</u>
Treasurer	

4. How well is the Board functioning in exercising "full Board responsibility"?

Generally very well and is improving as we learn more about the League and its organization and activities.

5. Which chairmen have committees? How many in each?

CA National: 5 or 6 (have used outside speakers and films in addition to members)

CA State : 5

CR State and National: 5 or 6 in the past and is expanding

Finance : 15 participated actively in the drive

Voters Services: has had 2 different chairmen this year and a working group of about 5

Local program: (compilation and publishing of County and City Survey) no accurate figure available as dozens of members participated in this project under the direction of 4 principal chairmen, 3 of them Board members.)

6. Describe fully what work has been accomplished and what plans are made for future coverage of program. Please give approximate dates for planned meetings.

- 1) a) On National Current Agendas: All of October and first half of November unit meetings are devoted to the United Nations. One meeting in January completes the study of Foreign Economic Policies.

- b) On National Continuing Responsibilities: The topic on Water was covered well last year, and will be brought up to date in November. Programs on Loyalty-Security involved two meetings last year. The topics on Washington, D.C., Tax Rates, and Treaty Making were covered last year.

- 2) a) State Current Agendas: State ~~and~~ Local Relations were covered last year with the materials which were available and will be brought up to date at the unit meetings scheduled for March of this year.

- b) State Continuing Responsibilities: Texas Constitutional Revision, Permanent Voter Registration, and Texas Election Laws were handled capably by the chairman and her committee before she resigned when her husband entered local politics. Her committee continues to function under an interim chairman.

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3) On Know Your Town: This combined with a County and City Survey has been compiled and published and distributed to the general membership at the Fall Membership Coffee. It has also been sent to all contributors to the Finance Drive held last January, copies have been given to the office of the County Judge, the District Clerk, the County Tax Office, the office of the City Manager, the Chamber of Commerce, and copies will be given to the various libraries in the community, to the city and county newspapers, etc.

7. How successful are units and general membership meetings in achieving member participation in program discussion?

We tried to sustain 3 units last year, only two of them being well attended. This year we will offer only 2 and try to maintain good attendance. Discussion at the units was often lively and almost always participated in by a large number of those present. Through the operation of a telephoning committee, we hope to continue to increase attendance and participation.

8. To what extent is the membership making use of state and national publications on program as a basis of discussion? Do members have them in advance of meetings? How many?

We believe that this constituted our greatest difficulty in having an informed participation in the unit discussions. This has been discussed and analysed by Board members and several things attempted which we hope will expedite the ordering of materials ahead of the programs. Since we operate on a limited budget, we lacked boldness in ordering. Mainly, we had the publications in the hands of program people, but not the general membership. We hope to change this as it constitutes, in our view, a serious weakness.

What has been done to get publications out into the community?

The above remarks apply, in general, to this question. Some publications have been placed in various offices around town, but we are aware that this phase of our program is inadequate and we hope to improve it.

Does the League have a Bulletin? How often is it published?

Yes. It is published approximately monthly.

9. Report any activities which take Program to the community.

Donations of some materials have been made to our financial contributors, and placement of materials have been in some offices, as remarked above. There has been local coverage of programs in the newspaper and on the radio, and all unit and general meetings are open to the public. The general meetings have been well attended, but primarily by League members augmented by some non-members.

10. Voters Service activities.

Last fall, the Voters Service committee distributed 75 copies of the Pros and Cons on the 14 constitutional amendments submitted to voters in November and 2000 Voters Guides were made available to the community. In January, members cooperated with the Junior Chamber of Commerce in a poll tax drive in which 200 poll taxes and exemption certificates were issued.

11. What steps have been taken in planning for a finance drive?

We have just elected (or the Board appointed) a new Finance Chairman, since our first chairman resigned in order to take the Membership portfolio. We are planning another drive, probably to be held in January, 1963.

If drive has been held, please report.

Our first drive was held last January and was very successful, realizing over \$500.00. Since we had been only recently organized, we felt that this was a very gratifying response.

12. Please list visits to provisional by adviser, state Board members (other than adviser if she is a state Board member), state Committee members (other than adviser if she is a Committee member), or personnel from local leagues etc:

Board meetings: Mrs. M.S. Braunagel has attended many board meetings as well as the organizational meetings. Mrs. Maurice Brown was also in attendance at the organizational meeting in July, 1962.

Committee meetings: Mrs. Braunagel has also attended several of these on her visits to San Marcos.

Membership meetings: Mrs. Braunagel attended our Membership Coffee held in September, 1963.

Discussion meetings: Mrs. Wilson Nolle was the principal speaker at the General Meeting in April. Mrs. Will Burnet has attended some unit meetings, general meetings, and was present at the Membership Area Workshop held in San Marcos in August, 1963. That workshop was conducted by Mrs. Pettis of Waco and Mrs. Gerald Ashford of San Antonio.

In addition to the above, two observers from this League attended the Area Conference held in Victoria last October; five observers attended the Presidents Council in Austin in April; and the San Marcos League was the hostess league for the Area Membership Conference in August, 1963.

Comments: We think that during the first year of our organization we have made real progress; that we still have much work to do if the League is to function as efficiently and effectively as we would like. We believe, too, that once we become a recognized League and are able to work at the local level, that much interest and active participation will result. Like all Leagues, we have had many problems, not the least of which is to try to establish within the community an image of the League which conforms to the purposes and aims of the organization. The creation of this "image" will take time and a lot of work, but we think that we are making progress in this direction. One of our major problems has been to get a stable board, since in a town of this size, it is inevitable that those most interested in the League are also those most interested in local, county, state, and national politics. As a consequence, several board members have had to resign. We think we are making progress in this direction and that we will be able to establish here a viable and effective organization. There is attached to this report, a copy of the last issue of the San Marcos Voter which contains the Presidents report concerning the activities encompassed during our first year of operation.

Signature, Organization Chairman, State Board.

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, OCTOBER 29, '63

Present: Dr. Emile Craddock, President
Mrs. Wm. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. C.M. Allen, Mrs. Bob Cooper,
Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. V.C. Overall,
Mrs. Charles Ramsay, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith

Absent: Mrs. W.R. Norris, 1st Vice-president,
Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman, Mrs. Hollis Smith

Visitors: Mrs. Lois Braunegal, State Board Member,
Mrs. Hazel Duncan

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos, Texas, met at 7:30 p.m., October 29, 1963, at the home of the President.

Mrs. Braunegal was welcomed. She reported that she had held conferences with all board members during the day.

Resolution
on Non-
partisan-
ship

The Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved. The Secretary suggested that the Resolution reaffirming the local League's policy on non-partisanship be approved in its final form (see Sept. 25 Minutes). The Resolution was read aloud and discussed. Mrs. Braunegal suggested that an opening clause referring to the By-Laws be inserted. This was agreed to. Mrs. Holleran moved that the Resolution in its final, amended form be approved. Mrs. Allen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The Resolution is attached as a part of these Minutes.

Interim
Report on
Status of
San Marcos
Prov. League

Dr. Craddock read aloud a copy of the Interim Report on the status of the Provisional League of San Marcos submitted by the State President to the National President of the League of Women Voters. Dr. Craddock said she felt the report gave an incorrect impression of the San Marcos Provisional League: "... certain statements in paragraph 4 are supposititious and one sentence is contrary to fact..."

Dr. Craddock said she would write Mrs. Brown and request a correction, with copies sent to the local League.

Brown

Mrs. Braunegal explained that Mrs. Brown was absent because of illness when she gave her report on the San Marcos Provisional League, and she felt that was responsible for the misunderstanding of the situation in San Marcos. She stated she would correct the impression in her report of the present meeting.

Treas. Report The Treasurer reported a balance of \$653.69 in the bank, and 58 paid-up members.

Mrs. James Carney agreed to distribute the "Know Your County, Know Your City Survey" Booklet to the various clubs.

Nom. Com. The President appointed Mrs. Hazel Duncan as chairman of the nominating committee, with Mrs. J.R. Thornton, Mrs. Joe Holleran, Mrs. Tom Brasher and Mrs. Bob Cooper as members.

Budget Com. Chairman Mrs. Richard Henderson was named chairman of the Budget Committee.

By-Laws The President said the proposed budget for 1964 should be printed in the January Voter, and that a proposed change in the By-Laws should also be announced for the agenda of a forthcoming meeting.

Discussion on Consensus Mrs. Duncan brought up the subject of program material, saying she had heard a member of the program committee say she did not agree with the League's stand on some issues, and considered the program material "biased". Mrs. Braunegal said League members didn't have to agree with LWV on every issue: "We want opinions". She said it is the responsibility of Board Members to be objective, and that it is contingent upon every leader of a program to present facts, pro and con and let the membership decide what they believe. The leader should summarize as she goes along, to stop and see if members are agreed, get the reaction of the group and get the true consensus. At the end of every unit meeting, the leader should say, "Is this what we have agreed on...?" The leader reports to the Board, and then the Board has to reach a consensus and make a formal statement.

Mrs. Braunegal said the Board may appoint two discussion leaders.

GGL - LWV

Mrs. Braunegal opened a discussion on the Good Government League and the Provisional League of Women Voters possible involvement, should GGL support a slate of candidates in any future election. She said she would be failing in her responsibility as sponsor if she did not point out all the hazards of Board Members becoming involved too closely, either personally, or through their husbands' activities, and that it could prevent the San Marcos League from being given full status at the State meeting in March. She said the Resolution on non-partisanship should suffice for the present, but if GGL should support a slate of candidates, then Board Members would have to make a choice between GGL and LWV, and if they decided to stay with the LWV, to ask GGL officers to remove their names from the roll of members. Board

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

E. Craddock
Approved as corrected.

Dorothy O. Worrell
Dorothy O. Worrell, Sec.

Emmie Craddock. President

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, By-Laws incorporating a Non-Partisanship Policy were adopted by the general membership on July 19, 1962; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos, Texas, adopted a Non-Partisanship Policy on December 18, 1962; and,

WHEREAS, that Non-Partisanship Policy was approved by the membership at a general meeting on January 17, 1963; and

WHEREAS, a question has arisen concerning the propriety of members of the Board of the League of Women Voters joining or belonging to other organizations interested in politics in San Marcos;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos that should any such other organization to which League Board members belong endorse or support a candidate for public office, it would be immediately incumbent upon those members either to resign their positions on the Board of the League of Women Voters or to sever membership in said organization; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event such action on the part of a member or members of the Board of the League

of Women Voters of San Marcos becomes necessary, that this Resolution shall be made public.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29th day of October, A.D., 1963.

ATTEST: /s/ Dorothy O. Worrell

Secretary

Emmie Craddock
/s/ Emmie Craddock

President

DEC 17 1963

BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, NOV. 18, 1963

Present: Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, 1st Vice-president
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary

Mrs. C.M. Allen, Mrs. Bob Cooper,
Mrs. Katherine S. Hardeman, Mrs. Joe Holleran,
Mrs. V.C. Overall, Mrs. Charles Ramsay,
Mrs. Spurgeon Smith

Absent: Mrs. Wm. Allbright, 2nd Vice-president,
Mrs. Hollis Smith

Visitors: Mrs. R.B. Henderson, Mrs. Hazel Duncan

The Board of the Provisional League of Women Voters of San Marcos, Texas, met at 12 noon, Nov. 18, 1963, at Carson's Restaurant, Dr. Craddock presiding.

Minutes
approved

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected: the word "Board" was inserted after "L.W.V." in the concluding paragraph, for clarification.

Unit Meeting
date change

It was agreed by common consent to change the Nov. 21 Unit Meeting on "Water Resources" to Tuesday, Nov. 19, to avoid a conflict with Civic Music.

Members who had taken Mrs. Braunegal to meals during her visit were asked to submit bills to the treasurer, in order to reflect expenses on future budgets.

Program
Conference

It was announced that a conference on "Program" would be held at 10 a.m., Nov. 26, at the home of Mrs. Wilson Nolle in Austin.

Gen. Meeting

Mrs. Overall, chairman for the General Meeting on Dec. 12, discussed speakers with the Board. It was mentioned that Mr. Dan Farlow is a qualified speaker.

Mrs. Overall stated that Mrs. Braunegal had urged the local League to buy 1000 "Voters Key" at \$17.50/1000.

"Voters Key"

Mrs. Spurgeon Smith moved that the San Marcos League buy 1000 "Voters Keys" for distribution. Mrs. Allen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Program
Topics

Mrs. Norris reported that both Units had chosen the same topics for Program: Federal-State Relations and "Domestic Economy and Human Resources".

Mrs. Holleran moved that the Board approve the choice of topics. Mrs. Hardeman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mrs. Norris reported that the concensus of the Unit Meetings on the United Nations was:

- "Concensus" on UN
1. "One Nation, One Vote" - no better system yet presented
 2. Unanimous agreement that UN successes far outnumber its defeats

Mrs. Holleran moved that the concensus be forwarded to State and National Boards. Mrs. Overall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Local Project

The President reminded members that choice of a local project must be made in the near future, and asked that all give consideration to this important matter.

"The Voter"

Mrs. Ramsay discussed the problems of editing "The Voter". She said Mrs. Braunegal had told her the Editor was not expected to write everything for "The Voter", but only to edit. She asked members to send in items appropriate for the newsletter. She reminded them that the next "Voter" would carry information on the general meeting and items of interest from program leaders.

Budget Committee

Mrs. Henderson, Chairman of the Budget Committee, said she would need the support of all the Board Members in preparing the Budget. She said questionnaires being sent out would assist her in preparing next year's budget.

Mrs. Overall said she had contacted THE RECORD on running a page ad on the State Voters Guide. One page would cost \$79.50. The value of this type of promotion was discussed.

Auditor

The annual audit was discussed. The Treasurer was asked to get estimates on a professional audit.

The Board adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Dorothy O. Worrell
Secretary

Approved:

Emmie Craddock
President

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BOARD MEETING OF THE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS,
HELD ON JANUARY 20, 1964

Present:

Dr. Emmie Craddock, President
Mrs. W.E. Norris, 1st Vice-President
Mrs. Russell Munson, Treasurer
Mrs. Dorothy O. Worrell, Secretary
Mrs. C.M. Allen, Mrs. Bob Cooper,
Mrs. Hollis Smith, Mrs. Spurgeon Smith,
Mrs. V.C. Overall, Miss Jane Talley,
Board Members

Visitor League Members:

Mrs. Hazel Duncan, Mrs. R.B. Henderson

The President called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon,
January 20, 1964, in a private dining room at Carson's
Restaurant.

The Minutes of the November meeting were approved as read.

Board Vacancies

Dr. Craddock discussed the critical situation of the Board,
with three vacancies existing as the time for expected
acceptance for full status as a League approaches. With
the announcement of Mr. Charles Ramsay as a candidate for
County Attorney, Mrs. Ramsay and Mrs. Joe Holleran had become
ineligible for the Board. The matter was discussed at length,
and members asked to offer suggestions to the Nominating
Committee or the President.

Dr. Craddock said that Mrs. Ramsay had agreed to assist with
the next issue of "The Voter", until a new editor is found.
Information and news items were solicited.

Finance Drive

Mrs. Allen, Finance Chairman, announced the drive would be held ^{the week of}
Feb. ~~17~~ 24, and that she needed additional members to solicit
gifts. Dr. Craddock cautioned all who planned to work on the
Finance Drive to inform donors that gifts to the League of
Women Voters are not deductible on the income tax report.

"Voter Key"

The method of distributing the "Voter Key" was discussed by
Mrs. Overall. She also brought up the number of "Voters Guides"
to be ordered. By common consent, the Board approved an order
of 1000 copies, at \$17.50 cost.

"Voter Guide"

League materials were distributed to Board Members.

2nd Vice-Pres.
Elected

Mrs. Norris moved that Miss Jane Talley be named 2nd Vice-
President. Mrs. Cooper seconded the motion, which passed
unanimously.

State Approval

Dr. Craddock announced that full status for the San Marcos League had been approved by the State Board; only approval by the National Board is now needed.

With the prospect of full status being realized, the local League is now faced with choosing a local agenda, Dr. Craddock reminded Board Members. A discussion followed, with the following topics receiving most favorable mention:

Local Agenda
Discussed


1. "Know Your Schools Survey"
2. "Pros and Cons of Types of City Government"
3. "Voting and Election Procedures"
4. "City-County Welfare"

These will be submitted to the membership at the Unit Meetings for discussion and voted upon at the Annual Membership Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Dorothy O. Worrell
Secretary

Approved:


Emmie Craddock
President

This statement will be attached APR 22 1965
voted on by SA Law Board on

Thursday April 22. As we were
anxious to get your reaction to it, we
are sending it on to your before Board
action. If you want to comment
on it, could you get it to Dr. McCall,
135 Montpelier before Tues. April 27?

Sorry not to get it to you sooner,
Special comm. to study Bureau Kathryn Sexton, ch.