

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. Calvin Trowbridge on Monday, January 11, 1954, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Those present were: Mesdames Christie, Otis, Carpenter, Trowbridge, Dick, Rooney, Quinlan, Nagel, Bowen, Reilly, Bentley, Lehmann, Welles, Roberts, Hodgkins, Anderson, Winter, Mosey, and Spiel.

The November minutes were read and approved with one correction.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report as of Jan. 1, 1954, which was approved as read:

Balance Dec. 1, 1953	\$	924.00 1,667.39
Receipts for the month totalled		137.00
Dues	\$	7.00
Finance - members		35.00
" non-members		95.00
Disbursements totalled		424.65
Bank		1.35
Meetings		5.00
Pledge		400.00
Dep. Chair Ex.		11.00
Printing		7.30
Balance Jan. 1, 1954		1,377.45

Mrs. Carpenter reported on the Finance Drive that \$925 had been received from 75 non-members, and \$670 from 93 members, making a total of \$1595.

Mrs. Nagel reported on the Recreation Study Program that 90 copies of the complete report with recommendations were sent to various organizations in town, with a letter from Mrs. Christie asking them to reply with comments. Additional copies were sent to the City Officials, also with a letter from Mrs. Christie. Members of the Committee attended the December and January Council Meetings, and Mayor McBride said we could expect an answer regarding the setting-up of a Recreation Board after the February meeting of the Council. The Lake Forester is carrying the entire report in two installments.

Mrs. Bentley with Mrs. Lehmann gave us a review of the interview with Rep. Church, held in Winnetka on Dec. 22nd, with other Leagues of the 13th Congressional District. Two main topics were discussed: Foreign Policy, and the Budget; on both of which subjects, Mrs. Church was reported, generally, to favor Administration policies.

Mrs. Christie mentioned the desirability of establishing a Lake County League, and announced a meeting to be held on Jan. 28th with the Chairmen of the Voters' Service and Action Committees, and the Presidents of the Highland Park, Barrington, Waukegan, and Lake Bluff Leagues, as the nucleus of an executive committee to discuss such a proposal.

Discussion was then opened on the appointment of a Chairman of the Budget Committee. Mrs. Dick moved, and Mrs. Carpenter seconded, that Mrs. Quinlan be appointed Chairman, and that the appointment of the other members be left up to her and the President, to include two old members and one new, with the Treasurer as a member ex-officio. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie announced a visit from members of the State Board to discuss changes in the agenda and platform, as well as sounding us out on raising our pledge. It was approved to have them attend the Board Meeting on Feb. 15th.

In the absence of Mrs. Westcoat, Mrs. Christie read the Membership Report: 28 of last year's members have resigned; there are 14 new members, giving us a total of 213 members to date. Mrs. Christie asked the Board to think of suggestions to stimulate membership. Mrs. Nagel moved, and Mrs. Dick seconded, that an orientation meeting be held shortly for the 14 new members. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Trowbridge announced that Mesdames Christie, McLaughlin, Steiner, Hodgkins and Andrus would attend the Constitutional Revision Meeting in Chicago with her on January 12th. Mrs. Christie announced that

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Mrs. Carpenter was Co-chairman of the Committee on Welfare. Mrs. Dick announced that Mrs. Anderson was the Resource Chairman. Mrs. Dick also announced that Mesdames Christie, Carpenter, Anderson, O'Connor, Thomas Connors, and MacPherson Holt would attend the Jan. 12th Welfare Meeting in Chicago with her. She told us that Mrs. Van der Vries was happy to be our speaker at the January 18th meeting, and that the Committee proposed to start the study groups the following week, the 25th. The material would cover the structure of Welfare Service in Illinois, an institutional visit, legislation coming up in January 1955, and the problems of attracting good personnel, with a comparison of the programs of other states.

Mrs. Christie announced a meeting of the Republican Club at the Gorton School on Jan. 28th, at which Mrs. Oswald Lord, U.S. Delegate to the U.N., would give a Report on the U.N.

Mrs. Rooney announced that Mr. Hartzell would be the speaker at the Feb. 1st meeting. Mrs. Bowen moved, and Mrs. Dick seconded, that Mrs. Rooney find out from Mr. Hartzell what the honorarium would be, and if \$25 was enough, to proceed accordingly. The motion was carried. Mrs. Welles moved, and Mrs. Anderson seconded, that the League buy and distribute free, after the meeting, the pamphlet, "Mr. Moneybags and the Congress." Mrs. Dick added that if be suggested that a contribution of 15¢ per copy would be welcome. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie read a letter regarding a call for action, asking League members to commend Mr. Dulles for his stand on Foreign Policy expressed in his statement at his Press Conference on Dec. 1st.

Mrs. Christie then opened discussion on the appointment of two Board Members to the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Dick moved, and Mrs. Trowbridge seconded, that Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Welles be appointed. The motion was carried.

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The Board then turned to the planning of the programs and study groups. It was decided that the Feb. 15th meeting would consist of a discussion on Welfare. Mrs. Trowbridge stated she would like to start the Constitutional Revision Workshop as early in February as possible. Mrs. Hodgkins moved, and Mrs. Dick seconded, that the March first Regular Meeting should be on at least one aspect of Constitutional Revision. The motion was carried. It was decided the March 15th meeting would be a discussion on National Agenda. Mrs. Christie asked the Board to think about programs for May and June, other than the report of the Convention Delegates in May, to help the new Board carry through.

Mrs. Bowen reported on Voters' Service that the first meeting of the Committee would be held on January 26th. She stated that they had already met with the Waukegan, Highland Park, and Lake Bluff Committees to divide the work, and outlined a tentative plan for interviewing candidates for the April primaries. Mrs. Welles moved, and Mrs. Dick seconded, that the meeting to present the candidates should be held April 5th. The motion was carried.

It was decided that the regular Annual Meeting would be a luncheon meeting held in someone's home on April 12th, and to consist only of routine business. Mrs. Christie appointed Mrs. Otis and Mrs. Nagel as Co-chairmen of a Social Committee to organize this meeting.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board to consider candidates for two delegates to be sent to the National Convention in Denver in April. She also asked for suggestions for a Committee on Platform and By-laws. Mrs. Hixon and Mrs. Winter were suggested. It was decided that Mrs. Christie make the appointments. Mrs. Dick urged the Board Members to make every effort to stimulate a large attendance at the Jan. 18th meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned .

Respectfully submitted,

Anna S. Guel
Secretary

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Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Lake Forest League of Women Voters held a regular meeting on January 18, 1954, at 1:45 PM, in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus. The president, Mrs. Christie, presided. There were approximately 60 members present.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance - Dec. 1, 1953	\$ 1,667.28
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Receipts for month totalled	137.00
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Dues	\$ 7.00
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Finance - members	35.00
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" non-members	95.00
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Disbursements totalled	424.65
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Bank charges	1.35
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Meetings	5.00
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Pledge to State	400.00
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Dep. Chair Ex.	11.00
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Printing	7.30
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Balance - Jan. 1, 1954	\$ 1,379.63
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Mrs. Carpenter gave the January 15th, final report on the Finance Drive: \$670 was received from 93 members, and \$950 from 76 non-members, making a total of \$1620 and exceeding the goal of \$1500 set for the campaign.

Mrs. Christie announced a meeting of the Deerfield-Shields Republican Club on the afternoon of January 28th at the Gorton School, at which Mrs. Oswald Lord, U.S. Representative to the U.N., would give a report on the U.N.

Mrs. Nagel reported that members of her Committee studying the Lake Forest Recreation Program had attended the City Council meeting on January 4th where their report was considered. She said they were told they could expect a vote at the February meeting regarding the setting-up of a Recreation Board, one of the principal recommendations of the Committee.

Mrs. Bowen, Chairman of Voters' Service, said she had sent cards announcing a meeting to plan the interviewing and reports on candidates for the April primaries, to those who had previously helped her. This meeting would be held at her house at 10:30 AM January 27th. She urged that anyone interested please attend as she was in need of many workers.

Mrs. Christie told us that the National League had asked the Local Leagues for an expression ^{of opinion} on the Bricker Amendment, so that they might take a stand for or against. She announced that the members of Mrs. Welles' workshop on the amendment had voted unanimously against it; and, that at the November Board Meeting, the members voted, 10 against, 4 undecided, and none approving. This information was forwarded to National. Mrs. Christie then read a telegram from National announcing that since the majority of the Local Leagues were against, such would be the stand of the League of Women Voters. Mrs. Welles read a letter from Mrs. Lee, National President, to President Eisenhower, expressing the League's position, and urging him to exert his influence against the amendment. Mrs. Christie asked the membership to write to Senators Dirksen, Douglas and ~~Woland~~ ^{Worland}, and Vice-president Nixon, to the same effect.

Mrs. Christie then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Edison Dick, Chairman of our Welfare Committee, who introduced our speaker, Mrs. Bernice Van der Vries, Representative to the Illinois General Assembly from the 7th District, and a member of the Public Aid, Health and Welfare Committee. Her subject was the structure and problems of Public Welfare in Illinois.

Mrs. Dick announced that the Welfare Workshops would start Jan. 25th at her house at 1:30 PM. She announced that Mrs. Keith Carpenter was Co-chairman of her Committee, Mrs. Norman Anderson, Resource Chairman, and that Mesdames O'Connor, Holt and Quinlan were other members. Mrs. Dick asked that anyone interested in taking part in the workshop, sign up with Mrs. Anderson. She expressed a hope for large participation.

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After several interesting questions were answered by Mrs.

Van der Vries, Mrs. Christie called attention to a series of three articles in the Saturday Evening Post on the State of Illinois.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Mrs. Duncan Hodges and Mrs. Clymer Bowen were our hostesses.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Spil

Secretary

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Lake Forest League of Women Voters held a regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 1, 1954, at 1:45 PM, in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, with over 37 members present. The President, Mrs. Christie, presided.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance - Jan. 1, 1954	\$	1,379.63
Receipts totalled		
Finance - members	\$	10.00
" non-members		80.00
Publications		1.00
Misc. (book)		72.75
Disbursements totalled		26.34
Bank charges		1.84
Meetings		5.00
Action		5.00
Dep. Chair Ex.		9.50
Printing		5.00
Balance - Feb. 1, 1954	\$	1,517.29

Mrs. Christie then made the following announcements:

(1) that Mrs. Howard Roberts and Mrs. Edward Welles had been appointed as Board Members to the Nominating Committee consisting of Mrs. Edwin Winter, Chairman, Mrs. Robert Andrus and Mrs. Fred Fairman. She asked that any suggestions regarding nominations for Vice-president, Treasurer, and 3 Directors to be elected at the April Annual Meeting, be submitted to this committee.

(2) that Mrs. Lehmann would remain after the meeting to sign up any new members who wished to join the Lake Forest League.

(3) that members of the League would attend the City Council meeting this evening to hear their report regarding the recommendations of the Recreation Committee.

(4) that Mrs. Dick's Welfare workshop had gotten off to an excellent start on Jan. 25th, and urged anyone interested to attend the

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second meeting on the afternoon of February 2nd.

Mrs. Christie reminded the members of the call for action on the Bricker Amendment. She urged us to write Senators Dirksen and Douglas, and said that the League hoped that at least 50 % of the membership would respond.

Mrs. Trowbridge announced that the first workshop on Reapportionment would be held at her house Tuesday morning, Feb. 2nd. She stressed the importance of this study as being an issue coming before the voters next November.

Mrs. Christie then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Arthur Rooney, Chairman of the Fiscal Policy Committee, who introduced our speaker, Mr. S. A. Hartzo, Professor of Political Science at Lake Forest College. He spoke to us on the effects of the Congressional Reorganization Act on the Federal budget. After a question period Mrs. Rooney announced the distribution of the pamphlet, "Mr. Congressman, His Moneybags and Watchdogs"

After urging as many as possible to attend the Reapportionment workshop, Mrs. Christie adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. MacPherson Holt and Mrs. Stanley Yonce.

Respectfully submitted

Louise S. Spill

Secretary

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins at 9:30 AM, Feb. 15, 1954, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Those present were Mesdames: Christie, Bowen, Carpenter, Hodgkins, Bentley, Otis, Quinlan, Lehmann, Trowbridge, Hixon, Roberts, Nagel, and Spiel.

Mrs. Christie pointed out that there were enough members present to enable the Board to approve the Budget.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance Feb. 1, 1954	\$	1,517.04
Receipts for month to date		26.15
Dues	\$	24.50
Public		2.15
Disbursements		150.25
Pres. Ex.		4.50
Meetings		5.00
Action		66.50
Speakers		20.00
Printing		29.25
Misc.		25.00

Balance Feb. 15, 1954	\$	1,392.94
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Mrs. Bowen reported on Voters' Service that at the meeting of the Committee on Jan. 27th, the opinion had been approximately 7 to 1 in favor of presenting the reports on the candidates for the Primaries the day before the Primaries rather than on April 5th. She suggested the Board rescind its motion of the January meeting to that effect. The Board consulted Mrs. Dick and obtained her agreement to this proposal. Mrs. Lehmann moved, and Mrs. Bentley seconded, that the date for the Voters' Service Meeting be changed to April 12th. The motion was carried.

The Board then turned to the study of the Budget. Mrs. Quinlan, Chairman of the Budget Committee, explained the items. Mrs. Bentley

moved and Mrs. Trowbridge seconded, that the item of \$300 for Convention delegates be retained. The motion was carried. Mrs. Trowbridge moved, and Mrs. Carpenter seconded, that the item for Action in the Community be increased to \$200. The motion was carried. Mrs. Bowen moved, and Mrs. Otis seconded, that the estimate of Membership dues be raised to \$787.50. The motion was carried. Mrs. Carpenter moved that the receipt from the Reserve be raised to \$250. Mrs. Bentley seconded the motion which was carried. Mrs. Quinlan then pointed out that in order to balance the Budget, the receipts from miscellaneous sources would be reduced to \$17.50. Mrs. Hodgkins moved that the budget be approved. Mrs. Trowbridge seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board to consider candidates for delegates to the National Convention, to be voted on at the next Board Meeting.

It was approved that the March Board meeting would be held on the 8th.

It was decided to postpone decision about the Annual Meeting until the March Board Meeting.

Mrs. Christie announced that a Lake County Council of Leagues had been formed; that one member from our Board should be appointed to the Council. She suggested that Mrs. Bowen continue on the Council at least until April.

Mrs. Christie called the Board's attention to an SOS on the Bricker Amendment. She urged the members to write President Eisenhower commending him for his stand on the amendment.

Mrs. Trowbridge announced that she had held two Workshops on Reapportionment with nine people attending, and that Mr. Robert Cushman would be the speaker at the March 1st Membership Meeting. She urged all Board members to make an effort to get a large attendance at this meeting. Mrs. Trowbridge suggested that Mr. Samuel Witwer, Chairman of the Illinois

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Committee for Constitutional Revision, be asked to speak at an evening meeting in October. Mrs. Bowen moved that Mrs. Trowbridge ask Mr. Witwer to be our speaker, and decide with him on a date in the fall. Mrs. Nagel seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie reminded the members of Mrs. Dick's Welfare Meeting in the afternoon.

Seven members of the Lake Bluff League then joined the Board for a discussion meeting on the proposed National Platform. Mrs. Christie introduced Mrs. Granger Brown of Libertyville, and Mrs. Ellis Harris of Northbrook, members of the State Board, who led the discussion. Mrs. Brown opened by pointing out that the principal aspect for consideration here was the method of presentation of the change in Platform to the Membership. Mrs. Harris explained the change in terms of the history of the growth of the League. She said that since over one half of the new members had joined since 1952, the National Board felt that the 1952-54 Platform was no longer representative of the opinion of the Membership at the national level. The proposed new platform would serve rather as a Constitution of the League of Women Voters and, in this sense, should be both more general in outline and shorter. Mrs. Harris also pointed out a proposal of the Platform Committee to limit Action on the Platform to two cases: (1) when there is a strong threat to a position taken by the League; and (2) when the League can make an unusually effective contribution.

There followed a discussion on several questions relating both to the content of the three divisions of the Platform, and the methods for procuring present and future changes in the Platform. Mrs. Brown urged us to consider these matters and write our suggestions to the National Board, as well as considering methods by which to ascertain the thinking of our Membership on this subject.

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Mrs. Christie asked Mrs. Harris to explain in a few words the merits of the unit system of local League organization. Mrs. Harris said the unit system was one in which a League in a given community was divided as to time and place of meeting to suit the convenience of its members, although the content of the meetings for each unit during a certain month would be the same. The advantages were that unit meetings, involving fewer people, could be held on a discussion basis which stimulated more membership participation. The disadvantages were the time and extra personnel involved in planning the meetings. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna S. Spaul

Secretary

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Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM on Monday, Mar. 1, 1954 with over 50 members present. Our President, Mrs. Christie, presided.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Feb. 1, 1954	\$	1,517.04
Receipts for month totalled		42.76
Dues	\$	35.00
Finance - non-members		5.00
Publications		3.26
Disbursements for month totalled		159.25
Pres. Ex.		4.50
Meetings		5.00
Action		66.50
Speakers		20.00
Printing		29.25
Misc.		34.00
Balance, Mar. 1, 1954	\$	1,400.55

Mrs. Christie announced that on March 15th a Discussion Meeting would be held which would offer the last opportunity for the members to discuss items for the National Agenda. She called attention to the National Voter of Feb. 1st, which contained explanations of the proposed new platform as well as the current agenda, and asked members to note that the items were not those suggested by the Lake Forest League. She asked the members to consider these and any additional suggestions, and urged as many as possible to attend the meeting.

In the absence of Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Howard Roberts read the report of the Nominating Committee. The following names were presented, to be elected at the Annual Meeting for two year terms:

<u>For Vice-President:</u>	Mrs. Robert Lehmann
<u>For Treasurer:</u>	Mrs. Clymer Bowen

For three Directors:

Mrs. George R. Steiner
Mrs. Joseph G. Mosey
Mrs. Solomon B. Smith

For the Nominating Committee:

(one year term)

Mrs. Ansel Kinney
Mrs. William R. Odell
Mrs. Arthur C. Rooney

Mrs. Christie stated that after the new Board took over , six additional Directors would be appointed for one year terms.

Mrs. Frederick Quinlan submitted the proposed Budget for 1954-55 which was \$225 larger than that of the preceding year. Mrs. Holt asked a question regarding the \$250 to be distributed from the Reserve. Mrs. Lehmann explained that since the bank balance had been accumulating for the past ten years, and now stood at nearly \$1000, the Board had felt justified in allocating \$250 to the 1954-55 Budget. Mrs. Christie stated that the major reason for the increase in the Budget was the expense arising in sending delegates to the National Convention to be held in Denver. She asked the members to send in their suggestions for these delegates before the next Board Meeting.

Mrs. Christie announced that the Annual Meeting would be held April 12th at Hixon Hall; that it would be a luncheon meeting costing 75¢; that the business part of the meeting would be held during lunch; and that afterwards the Voters' Service Committee would present their reports on candidates for the primaries.

Mrs. MacPherson Holt reported for the Handbook Committee that due to having published only a supplement this year, there was a balance of \$72.75 which had been turned in to the Treasurer.

Mrs. Bentley explained about the Carrie Chapman Catt Foundation that it was established by the National League to distribute literature and services. Contributions to its fund are deductible in computing income tax. Among recent publications distributed by the Foundation were 55,000 copies of "Individual Liberty -U.S.A.", and 100,000 copies

of simplified rules of Parliamentary Procedure. Among the services was the Exchange of Persons Program which assisted foreign visitors in studying democratic procedures, as well as arranging visits of our representatives to other countries, such as that of Mrs. Law to Italy.

Mrs. Christie announced that the City Council had voted unanimously to establish a Recreation Board as recommended by the League, and that they would shortly announce the appointments. She then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Calvin Trowbridge, Chairman of the Committee on Reapportionment.

After emphasizing the importance of this study in terms of the League's promise to work for the Blue Ballot to be voted on next November, Mrs. Trowbridge introduced our speaker, Mr. Robert Cushman, a member of the Joint Committee for the Reapportionment Amendment. Mr. Cushman gave us a summary of the history of the struggle for Reapportionment, the inequalities of the present situation, and the advantages of the proposed amendment.

After an interesting question period Mrs. Roberts announced, for Mrs. Bowen, that the Republican Club would hold a candidates meeting at the High School on March 16th at 8:00 PM, and that seven of the ten candidates for National Senator had accepted their invitation to be there.

Mrs. Carpenter announced that the last meeting of the Welfare Study group would be held at 1:30, March 8th, at the home of Mrs. Dick, at which the report of their visit to the Elgin State Hospital would be presented.

Mrs. Christie announced that Mrs. Bentley had presented a panel on Conservation to the Garden Club.

After reminding the members to consider items for the local agenda, and to bring their suggestions to the March 15th meeting, Mrs. Christie adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Sidney Haskins and Miss Frances Whedon.

Respectfully submitted

Christie S. Jones
Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Edward K. Welles on Monday, March 8, 1954 at 10:00 AM, with the President, Mrs. Christie, presiding:

Present were Mesdames: Christie, Rooney, Reilly, Roberts, Smith, Quinlan, Nagel, Welles, Bowen, Lehmann, Dick, Trowbridge, Carpenter, Hodgkins, Mosey and Spiel.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, March 1, 1954		\$ 1,400.55
Receipts		
Misc.	\$ 8.00	8.00
Disbursements		20.00
Meetings	5.00	
Printing	15.00	
Balance		\$ 1,388.55

She requested that all Chairmen hand in their bills as soon as possible.

Mrs. Christie then opened discussion on the program for the March 15th meeting. Mrs. Trowbridge suggested the Board ask Mrs. Harris to speak on the proposed National platform. Mrs. Bowen called Mrs. Harris who said she could not attend the meeting until 3:00 PM. It was agreed to arrange the program accordingly. Mrs. Christie ~~XXXX~~ asked Mrs. Welles to speak on the International Item. She announced that Mrs. Orton would speak on Civil Liberties, and that a member of the Committee on Conservation would present that topic.

Mrs. Nagel read the proposed changes in the local By-laws. Mrs. Bowen moved and Mrs. Dick seconded that the Board recommend these changes to the Membership, with one exception: i.e. in Art. 9, Sec. A, that, "The Board of Directors shall consider the recommendations sent in by the voting members at least six weeks (instead of two months)

prior to the annual meeting." The motion was carried.

The following items were moved, seconded and carried to be presented for the local agenda:

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| Mrs. Nagel | 1. That the League work for a new Recreation |
| Mrs. Bowen | Center for Lake Forest. |
| Mrs. Rooney | 2. That the League will study City Planning, |
| Mrs. Roberts | with action if indicated. |
| Mrs. Hodgkins | 3. That the study of the suburb's relation to |
| Mrs. Smith | the city of Chicago be kept on the agenda |
| | for another year. |
| Mrs. Trowbridge | 4. That the Handbook be kept on the agenda. |
| Mrs. Dick | |

Mrs. Nagel explained the program for the April 12th meeting: a luncheon meeting at Hixon Hall; the Annual meeting to be held during lunch; and the Voters's Service presentation of candidates afterwards. Mrs. Bowen stated that Mrs. Peddle would furnish the lunch consisting of salad, coffee and cake, for 75¢ per person with a guarantee of 50 people. Mrs. Reilly moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded, that the Board accept the Committee's program. The motion was carried. Mrs. Roberts telephoned to find out the cost of having the notices of the meeting printed. It was \$23.00. Mrs. Trowbridge moved that Mrs. Roberts buy double post-cards and have them mimeographed. Mrs. Dick seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Bowen moved, and Mrs. Trowbridge seconded, that the Chairmen's reports be handed in by the Annual Meeting to Mrs. Smith who would then edit and summarize them. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie then opened discussion on programs for the May and June meetings. Mrs. Nagel moved that the May meeting consist one half of the report of the Convention delegates, and the other half of a speaker on City Planning, if possible, and if the item were accepted on the agenda. Mrs. Hodgkins seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Nagel moved that Mrs. Welles get a speaker on World Trade

for the June meeting. Mrs. Dick seconded the motion which was carried. It was approved to spend money on the speaker, if necessary.

Mrs. Christie then read a letter from the State Budget Committee pointing out their poor financial situation, yet not wishing to raise our pledge of \$1600. Mrs. Nagel moved that we take \$100 out of reserve and send it to State. Mrs. Bowen amended the motion to \$200. Mrs. Lehmann seconded the motion, as amended, which was carried.

Mrs. Roberts explained the difficulties and inefficiency of our present methods of sending out notices. She stated this could be somewhat remedied by the offer of the College to have their business office handle it for us, in return for a contribution to the Alumni Association. Mrs. Christie showed a form sheet used by Barrington and sent out once a month. It was agreed to postpone decision in this matter until Mrs. Roberts could obtain estimates of which alternative would best suit our needs and budget.

Nominations were then proposed for delegates to the National Convention. The following people were elected:

Delegates

Mrs. Edward K. Welles
Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins

Alternates

Mrs. Robert G. Andrus
Mrs. Arthur Rooney

Mrs. Christie read a letter from the National Office thanking the Board for having so well presented the stand on the Bricker Amendment to the Membership.

Mrs. Trowbridge announced that Mr. Witwer was unable to be speaker for us next fall on Reapportionment. She proposed to continue the study groups with a view to establishing a "Speakers Bureau" following a suggestion by a member of her committee to have unit meetings in the precincts on the subject.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board whether we should join the Lake County Council with dues of \$10. Mrs. Lehmann moved that

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we do so. Mrs. Welles seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie then read a letter from the National Board re-defining their policy on Non-partisanship, and stating that no Board member, during her term of office, should participate in Party Politics. The Board authorized Mrs. Christie to write a protest.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene S. Ford

Secretary

April, 1954

Annual Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The annual meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held at 12:00 N on April 12, 1954 in Hixon Hall, College Campus. Mrs. Christie, President, presided. There were over 60 members present.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Lehmann read the Treasurer's Annual Report which was approved as read:

Balance, April 1, 1953	\$ 795.14
Receipts for the year	<u>2,554.01</u>
Total receipts	<u>3,349.15</u>
Expenses	2,587.00
Balance, April 1, 1954	\$ 762.15

Mrs. Christie announced that in reply to a letter from the State Budget Committee, pointing out their poor financial situation, and yet not asking us to raise our pledge, the Board of Directors, at their March meeting, had voted to send the State Board a gift of \$200.

Mrs. Frederick Quinlan, Chairman of the Budget Committee, read the proposed 1954-55 budget with receipts and expenditures estimated at \$2,670.00. It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt this budget as read.

After calling attention to the sale of the new Illinois Handbook and other pamphlets at the entrance, and the distribution of sample ballots, and extra copies of the reports on candidates contained in the Lake Forester, Mrs. Christie announced the election of Mrs. Edward K. Welles and Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins as our delegates to the National Convention. She stressed the unusual interest of this convention in view of the proposed changes in the platform and the adoption of the agenda. She said that at a State Council meeting there had been a feeling that the item on world trade should be enlarged; that there had been a feeling for and against the item on civil liberties; and that an item on

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conservation should be included; all these factors pointing to a most interesting convention for us to follow.

The next item of business was the adoption of our local agenda. Mrs. Christie asked the membership to bear in mind the outline of the National and State agenda in considering our program. She then read the list of items proposed by the Board at their March meeting:

1. That the League work for a new Recreation Center for Lake Forest.
Unanimously adopted
2. That the League will study City Planning with action, if indicated.
Vote Yes 21
 No 23
3. That the study of the suburb's relation to the city of Chicago be kept on the agenda.
Unanimously adopted
4. That the Handbook be kept on the agenda.
Unanimously adopted

Mrs. Bowen asked that it be recorded that the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was not voting against city planning, but only not to increase its present work load. The League favors such a study, but not at this time.

Mrs. Charles H. Brown then read the changes in the local by-laws proposed by a committee of past Presidents. Mrs. Anderson moved, Mrs. Wastcoat seconded, that these changes be approved. The motion was carried.

The League then turned to the election of the officers and directors presented at the March meeting by the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Winter read the list. The following were unanimously elected:

For Vice-president:

Mrs. Robert O. Lehmann

For Treasurer

Mrs. Clymer S. Bowen

For Directors

Mrs. George R. Steiner
Mrs. Joseph G. Mosey
Mrs. Solomon B. Smith

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For the Nominating Committee: Mrs. Ansel Kinney, Chairman
(one year term) Mrs. William R. Odell
Mrs. Arthur C. Rooney

Mrs. Christie then thanked the outgoing Board members for their excellent assistance, and welcomed the new Officers and Directors.

After thanking Mrs. Nagel for the arrangements, table settings, and decorations, she recessed the meeting for lunch.

After lunch Mrs. Christie called attention to the fact that dues were now payable for the ensuing year, and urged the members to fill in the cards showing their interests in the various study groups. She then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Clymer Bowen, Chairman of Voters' Service.

After thanking her Co-chairman, Mrs. George L. Reilly, and Mrs. Christie, and the members of her Committee for their assistance, Mrs. Bowen opened a panel discussion on the "Primary Importance of the Primaries", with Mrs. Arthur Voss presenting the Democratic aspects of the subject, and Mrs. Joseph Becker the Republican aspects. The topics covered were, the structure of county government, the importance and influence of Precinct Committeemen, the problems of party organization in Lake County, and independent voting. Next, the reports on the candidates and issues appearing on the ballots were presented. Mrs. Walter Buchen read a letter from Mrs. Michael Cudahy on the subject of the proposal to raise the tax allotment for Mosquito Abatement. Mrs. William North presented the reports of interviews with candidates for the office of Sheriff, and Mrs. Reilly gave the reports on candidates for the State Legislature. Mrs. Buchen assisted by displaying photographs of the candidates as they were presented.

With a reminder to be sure to vote in the Primaries, Mrs. Christie adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann J. Paul
Secretary

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Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Edward K. Welles on Wednesday, April 14, 1954 at 11:00 AM, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding. Those present were Mesdames: Welles, Smith, Dick, Roberts, Lehmann, Westcoat, Steiner, Christie, Bowen, Mosey and Spiel.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Smith said she had not as yet received any of the Chairmen's reports. All Chairmen present were asked to hand them in to her within the next ten days. Mrs. Christie said she would remind the former Board members.

In as much as the Treasurer's Annual report had been heard at the Membership meeting April 12th, it was approved to omit repetition of it here.

Mrs. Christie opened discussion on the subject of the May Membership meeting. Since the item on City Planning had been removed from the agenda at the Annual Meeting, the reports of the Convention Delegates would be the only subject remaining, and it was felt that these might not be enough to take up the entire meeting. It was decided to ask our new Mayor, Mr. Elliot Donnelley, to speak at this meeting, and if we could not get him, to ask a doctor from the new proposed psychiatric center at Waukegan, if this fitted in with the Welfare study.

The next item of business was the selection of portfolios among the Directors. Mrs. Christie announced that the State Board suggested that the Vice-President be the Action chairman. It was agreed that Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Welles would cover the items on the National agenda. Mrs. Steiner was appointed Chairman for Reapportionment, and Mrs. Westcoat, Mrs. Mosey, and Mrs. Smith would keep their portfolios of Membership, Publicity, and Public Relations, respectively. Discussion was then opened on the selection of six new appointed Directors. It was

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left to Mrs. Christie to call and appoint the new Directors, and other Chairmen without Board status.

Mrs. Christie asked all present Chairmen to start at once to think about their Co-chairmen, Executive Committees, and programs, so as to have material ready for the next Board meeting which, it was decided, would be held on May 10th.

Mrs. Christie announced that there had been considerable feeling at the State Council Meeting about the recent National Board letter on Non-partisanship. She had sent a letter to Mrs. Lee protesting their decision. The Board decided to postpone further discussion until we had a reply to this letter, and also had heard what would happen at the National Convention.

It was approved that the subject of the June meeting would consist of some aspect of world trade. Mrs. Welles said that she would make the arrangements about getting a speaker.

In as much as this small meeting was devoted to the appointment of the new Directors, no further business was taken up.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian S. Spill

Secretary

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Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Lake Forest League of Women Voters met Monday, May 3, 1954 at 1:45 PM in Lois Durand Hall, with over 30 members in attendance. Our President, Mrs. Christie, presided.

The minutes of the April (Annual) meeting were read and approved after several corrections.

As there was no Treasurer's report, Mrs. Christie opened the business of the day with several announcements:

I. City Council Meeting May 3rd at 8:00 PM.

She urged the members to attend this meeting as this would be the one at which Mr. Donnelley would take over the Mayoralty from Mr. McBride.

II. Reapportionment

Mrs. George Steiner, Chairman, gave a report on the future plans for her study group. She is planning three workshops for the next three consecutive Wednesdays, at her home at 10:30 PM as follows:

May 5th: The history and problems of Reapportionment in Illinois.

May 12th: To study the proposed amendment.

May 19th: To discuss ways of giving information to the public before election.

Mrs. Steiner asked for volunteers to sign up.

III. State League Interim Council Springfield, May 18th & 19th

Mrs. Christie announced the State Interim Council meeting to be held in Springfield, May 18th and 19th; that the State agenda would be discussed; that Gov. Stratton and Mr. Witwer would speak on Reapportionment on the evening of May 18th. She asked any members interested in going to let her know.

IV. Welfare

Mrs. Edison Dick, Chairman of the Welfare Committee, was

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sorry to announce that those planning to visit several hospitals such as Nanteno, Kankakee and Peoria, would not be able to go at this time. She explained that Mrs. Schnake, Chairman of State Welfare was unable to make the arrangements as the hospitals would not cooperate. In other words, the public does not really have access to the hospitals.

Mrs. Edward K. Welles and Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins, our delegates to the National Convention, then gave us an account of the five days of the Convention in Denver from April 26th to April 30th. They stated that 1,086 League members attended with 739 voting delegates. All states were represented including Alaska, Hawaii and the District of Columbia. Our delegates reported on the proceedings and programs of the various sessions. Of chief interest they reported that the Convention consisted of an intelligent, thoughtful, well informed group of women. That they were sensitive to public opinion regarding the League in local areas; that there was some fear of criticism of League policies. The thinking was conservative rather than left-wing. Our delegates felt there was a need for simplification and refinement of convention proceedings; that it was a large and rather unwieldy group; that there was too heavy a work-load which allowed no time for casual get-togethers, and exchange of ideas.

Mrs. Christie thanked Mrs. Welles and Mrs. Hodgkins for their most entertaining and informative report. As there was no further business, she adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Wood Carper and Mrs. Cornelius Loew.

Respectfully submitted,

In the absence of,

Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held on May 10, 1954 at 10:00 AM at the home of Mrs. Clymer S. Bowen, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding. Present were Mesdames: Baird, Westcoat, Steiner, McLaughlin, North, Lehmann, Christie, Bell, Reilly, Smith, Bowen, Welles, Kinney, Mossey, Roberts, Brown and Spiel.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Smith stated that she had still received only a few of the Chairmen's annual reports. She urged cooperation as she must have them by the June meeting. Mrs. Christie explained that our new Mayor, Mr. Elliott Donnelley, felt that he should not appear at the May 3rd Membership meeting, in as much as he was not to be inaugurated until that evening; and since, by the time he was contacted, it was too late to get a speaker from the proposed new psychiatric center in Waukegan, it was decided to postpone the latter until some meeting in the fall.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, April 1, 1954	\$	762.15
Deposits - dues		<u>112.00</u>
	\$	874.15
Disbursements:		
Publications	\$	15.07
		4.40
Meetings		3.50
Action		11.50
Printing		<u>16.75</u>
Total		<u>51.22</u>
Balance - May 1, 1954	\$	822.93

Mrs. Welles thanked the Board for their allowance to the National Convention delegates. She said it was felt to be very fair and came very close to covering actual expenses. At the suggestion of Mrs. Lehmann, it was decided to attach the account of expenses to the minutes, for future reference.

EXPENSES OF CONVENTION DELEGATES
FROM LAKE FOREST TO:
National Convention,
Denver, Colorado.
April 26, 1954

Railroad fare, one way	\$ 39.87
Roomette	16.40
Plane ticket (First class)	63.91
Hotel room (\$4.50 per day per person)	22.50
League dinner (Banquet)	5.00
	<u>\$ 147.68</u>

This does not include any meals other than
the Banquet.

Mrs. Christie then outlined the Board's responsibilities and organization. She said that each member and Chairman should have a copy of the Local Leader's Handbook, and the State and National programs; that program planning was the responsibility of the entire Board, although certain months would be allocated to various members. She asked all Board members to take responsibility for promoting and interesting membership, as well as considering ideas for cooperation in the Community. She expressed a hope that all Chairmen could meet with her to plan for the fall before summer vacations, and asked all to start immediately to appoint their Co-chairmen and committees.

Mrs. Welles announced that Mr. John Fennelly, Deputy ~~chairman~~
^{to} Clarence Randall, on the Randall Commission would speak on World Trade at the June membership meeting, to be held on Wednesday, June 3rd, instead of a Monday. Mrs. Christie suggested that the members obtain a new League publication, "Tips on World Trade", as a background for questions to ask Mr. Fennelly.

It was approved that the next Board meeting would be held on Monday, June 7th.

Mrs. Steiner spoke about the State League Interim Council, to be held in Springfield, May 18th and 19th, and announced that she had had five people sign up to attend. Mrs. Brown explained that the business meetings would take place on the afternoon of the 18th and morning of the 19th, with Gov. Stratton and Mr. Witwer speaking on Reapportionment at a dinner meeting on the 18th. After some discussion on reimbursing our representatives for their expenses, Mrs. Lehmann moved, and Mrs. Smith seconded, that we allocate \$15 per person up to \$75 to be taken out of Action in the Community. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Steiner then outlined her plans for the Reapportionment study group. She stated that on May 5th they had studied the League

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literature on the problems and history of Reapportionment; that on May 12th they would study the law as it would appear on the ballot; and on May 19th they proposed to consider suggestions as to how to present the information to the public. She said that in the fall they planned a joint meeting with Voters' Service to present the issue on the blue ballot along with the candidates. There were as yet no definite plans for meetings in precincts, handbills, or publicity.

Mrs. William North, Chairman of Voters' Service, announced that it was hoped to have Sen. Douglas and Mr. Meek speak at an evening meeting in October, the possible dates being the 5th, 12th or 19th, at the new Deerpath School, if it were ready by that time. There was some question as to the attitude of State Voters' Service on this proposal. Mrs. Brown explained their position in view of the possibility of many communities wanting to have a similar program, thereby besieging the candidates with too many requests. The State Board has already asked them for such a program in Chicago. Mrs. Christie stated it was hoped that the Lake County Council would lend us their support for a large meeting. After some discussion it was decided to pursue our own plans.

Mrs. Wastcoat reported on Membership. She asked the Board's opinion whether to have an orientation course or a tea for new members. With the League's new platform, explanation of the League's operation would be much easier. There was some discussion as to whether smaller gatherings might not stimulate more interest. Mrs. Welles suggested the Board members assist by taking new members to meetings. She also stated that Mrs. Hodgkins had learned much about unit organization at the National Convention. Mrs. Wastcoat said that she had received a considerable number of cards indicating interests; that as a rule about half of such cards were returned by June. Mrs. Christie asked the Chairmen to call Mrs. Wastcoat so as to get as many new members as possible started in the study groups.

Mrs. Christie asked for volunteers to attend Northwestern University's Economic Study meeting to be held at Lake Forest Academy in August. In as much as they had asked for League material to use in this study, Mrs. Phillips thought it might be wise to have a League member present to answer questions. Mrs. North and Mrs. Lehmann volunteered.

Discussion was then opened on plans for the October and November membership meetings. Among the topics suggested were, State agenda items, FEPC, Civil Liberties, and, being an election year, candidates meetings and Reapportionment. Mrs. Christie hoped that these programs could be completed at the June Board meeting, as well as the plans for discussion meetings and the Workshops, so that the Action Chairman could work out the calendar for National, State and local agenda. She also asked the Chairmen to proceed with their individual meetings and appoint their committees so that the various important State meetings could be covered.

Mrs. Reilly said she had received a call from Mrs. Bentley asking about the status of the Conservation study, since this item had been defeated at the National Convention. Mrs. Welles moved that the Lake Forest League carry on its Conservation study group. Mrs. Bowen seconded the motion, which was carried. It was decided to appoint a Chairman at the June meeting.

Mrs. Christie announced that Mrs. John Nagel had been appointed to the newly created Palyground and Recreation Board at the City Council meeting on May 3rd for a term of three years, and Mrs. William North had been appointed for a term of four years.

The Board then turned to a consideration of sending out a monthly Bulletin to improve the present cumbersome and inefficient system of sending out notices. The Bulletin would also serve as a means of answering calls for action during the summer. Copies of the Public School and Barrington League bulletins were passed around. After some discussion as to the form and contents of such a bulletin for our use, Mrs. Christie

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asked Mrs. Reilly to investigate the costs, and the Board members to think of additional suggestions by the June meeting.

Mrs. Mosey asked the Chairmen to give her any items they wished to have in the Lake Forester, preferably on the Friday before publication date.

Mrs. Bell explained the action of the Publicity Committee in awarding a \$5 gift certificate to Lynn Peddle of St. Mary's School for the best poster made by school children for the Primaries. Mrs. Baird moved and Mrs. Steiner seconded, that the Board approve this action. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie passed the letter she had written to Mrs. Lee on the subject of the Non-partisanship of Board members, and the letter Mrs. Lee had written in reply. It was decided to delay a complete discussion of this matter until after the State Interim Council.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board to submit any new ideas for the Finance drive to Mrs. McLaughlin. With a reminder for all to buy the new Illinois Handbook, she adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude S. Ford

Secretary

June, 1954

Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Lake Forest League of Women Voters held a regular meeting on June 2, 1954 at 1:45 Pm, in the home of Mrs. Willard K. Jaques with the President, Mrs. Christie, presiding. There were over 50 members present.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen presented the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance on hand May 1, 1954		\$ 822.93
Deposits		
Dues	\$ 309.50	
Publications	1.15	
Misc. contributions	3.00	
		<u>313.65</u>
		1,136.58
Disbursements		
Meetings	5.00	
Publications	9.92	
Printing	29.50	
Delegates	375.00	
Misc.	4.20	
		<u>423.62</u>
Balance June, 1, 1954		\$ 712.96

Mrs. Christie opened the business of the meeting with the following announcements:

1. Chairmen's Reports: She called attention to the reports of the Committee Chairmen distributed to each chair. She stated that it had been felt that putting the reports in this form was simpler than hearing the report of each Chairman individually. The reports had been compiled by Mrs. Solomon B. Smith who, according to her report as Chairman of Public Relations would appreciate hearing of results of her efforts.
2. Call for Action: She announced a call for action on the proposed extension of the Trade Agreements Legislation. She asked the members to obtain the National League Board bulletin on the subject

from Mrs. Bentley.

3. Appointed Chairmen: She announced the appointment of the Chairmen who with the six elected directors and officers would constitute the Board of the Lake Forest League:

Mrs. Alex C. Bell	Chairman, Handbook
Mrs. Roger Baird	Chairman, Recreation Study
Mrs. Herbert McLaughlin	Chairman, Finance
Mrs. William North	Chairman, Voters' Service
Mrs. Press Hodgkins	Chairman, Suburb's Relation to the City of Chicago, and Home Rule

Mrs. Christie reported that five members of the Lake Forest League (Mesdames: Steiner, Roland Smith, McLaughlin, George Rogers and Christie) had attended the State Interim Council meeting in Springfield on May 18th and 19th. She stated that the business of the meeting had included a review of the agenda, and the adoption of the budget; that at a dinner meeting Mr. Witwer had outlined the plans for Reapportionment, and that Gov. Stratton had opened the campaign. She called attention to the May-June issue of the Illinois Voter dealing with the Blue Ballot.

Mrs. Christie then presented Mrs. Edward K. Welles, Chairman of the National agenda Item I on World Trade, who introduced our speaker Mr. John Fennelley, deputy to Clarence Randall on the Randall Commission.

Mr. Fennelley outlined the administration's program for foreign trade, as an outgrowth of the report of the Randall Commission, and discussed some of the political problems involved in carrying out the program. There followed an interesting question period, after which Mrs. Welles thanked Mr. Fennelley and expressed the hope that the members would continue to study this situation and sign up for the Workshops in the fall. Mrs. Christie explained that there would be five subcommittee study groups under this item and urged the members to get in touch with Mrs. Welles as to the programs as soon as possible.

After thanking Mrs. Jaques for the use of her home, Mrs. Christie adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Beach Clow and
(over)

Mrs. Carroll Sudler.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucas S. Spil

Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters held a regular meeting on June 7, 1954 in the home of Mrs. Robert Lehmann with Mrs. Christie, president, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Lehmann, Carpenter, Kinney, Reilly, Haskins, Buchen, Mosey, Christie, Brown, Bentley, Dick and Spiel.

The Minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

The reading of the Treasurer's report was postponed in the absence of Mrs. Bowen.

Mrs. Christie reminded the members of the call for action on the Trade Agreements Legislation, and urged them to write their letters immediately.

She then opened discussion on the October Membership meeting by announcing that a special meeting was being arranged for the evening of October 19th at the new Deerpath School with Mr. Owen Rall as speaker on Reapportionment. After some discussion, Mrs. Reilly moved that the Board try to get Mrs. Alan Mitchell, a former National Board member, or someone of equal caliber, to speak on the International Relations item for the regular October meeting. Mrs. Bentley seconded the motion which was carried.

It was generally agreed that , since the plans for the Reapportionment campaign were so completely organized, the November membership meeting should consist of some form of presentation of candidates. Among the suggestions offered were: tape recordings of interviews with candidates (Buchen); a Lake County joint meeting to interest Democrats as well as Republicans (Brown); a luncheon meeting at some central Lake County place (Reilly); an informal reception with candidates present (Brown); information booths in public places, and the distribution of publications. Mrs. Christie asked the members to submit any further suggestions to her or Mrs. Buchen so that they might pass them on the Mrs. North on her return.

It was tentatively suggested that the December meeting be on Civil Liberties.

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Mrs. Reilly reported for the proposed Bulletin that the printer Heitmann asked \$30.00 for each issue; that a local printer asked \$22.00; and that the Northern Trust Co. by their Xe-Roxed process would produce 250 copies for \$2.50 if we presented the material in type-written form to be photographed, \$4.50 if they had to do the typing, and \$3.00 for cutting and printing a mimeograph. She said she estimated that on this basis, the maximum cost, including mailing, would run about \$10 per issue. She stated it was proposed to send the Bulletin out quarterly, experimentally on colored stock, and that there remained to be drawn up an identification sketch for a heading, and a clever name. Mrs. Mosey moved and Mrs. Buchen seconded that Mrs. Reilly go ahead with the production of the Bulletin. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Lehmann described the Lake County Council meeting held in the last week of May. She stated that the Council consisted of one member from each League (Highland Park, Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, Waukegan and Barrington), plus the President of each League, ex-officio; that Mrs. Puestow, a former President of the Highland Park League, was the President of the Council, and that Mrs. Morrison of the Waukegan League was the Secretary-Treasurer; that the Council had voted on tentative by-laws. She explained the function of the Council as a means for planning County matters and coordinating efforts on State matters, as a clearing-house for the exchange of ideas, help and advice, with no authority over the local Leagues. She said they planned dues of \$10 from each League with additional funds to be contributed by the Leagues as action in the community when and if necessary. She asked the Board whether we should allocate the \$10 dues. Mrs. Dick moved and Mrs. Mosey seconded, that we do so. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie described the State Interim Council which she had attended with 4 other members. (Mesdames Steiner, Roland Smith, McLaughlin,

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and George Rogers). Apropos of the budget adoption she mentioned State's poor financial situation causing a severe reduction in their services, and their appreciation of our gift. She said it was their intention to try to remedy this situation by pushing the sale of publications as a source of revenue. In which connection, Mrs. Bentley read from a joint letter from the State and Chicago Leagues announcing a meeting to plan a dynamic program for the distribution and merchandizing of publications. Mrs. Bentley felt that the Lake Forest League was at present not equipped to contribute to such a program. It was suggested that she and Mrs. Buchen, Co-chairman of Voters' Service, attend the meeting to find out how to organize our Publications Committee, if necessary, to meet this situation.

On the subject of Non-partisanship, Mrs. Christie stated that the State Board was still working on the interpretation of the National directive. It was agreed to postpone further discussion for a clearer definition of what constituted active political participation.

Mrs. Christie said she would notify the Chairmen of any State summer meetings concerning them, and hoped they would be prepared with their Co-chairmen and committees to cover these meetings.

She then opened discussion on continuing a League program with the College. Mrs. Mosey moved and Mrs. Dick seconded, that Mrs. Christie explore various suggestions proposed for this program. The motion was carried. Mrs. Christie asked the members to let her know of any further suggestions, so that she could discuss the matter with Mrs. Winter.

It was agreed to set the 13th as a tentative date for the September Board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernie S. Giel
Secretary

July, 1954

Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A special meeting of the Board of Directors was called by our president, Mrs. Christie, at her home, on Friday, July 9, 1954.

Present were Mesdames: McLaughlin, Haskins, Roberts, Christie, Bowen, Baird, Hodgkins, Kinney, Lehmann, Buchen, Bentley, Otis, Dick and Spiel.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$	712.52
Deposits	\$	94.50
Dues		
Total		<u>94.50</u>
		807.02
Disbursements		
State pledge	400.00	
Bank charge	<u>2.03</u>	
Total	<u>402.03</u>	
		402.03
Balance, July 1, 1954	\$	404.99

Mrs. Christie explained her reasons for calling this meeting in view of certain new items which had arisen for Board consideration since the June meeting, which might entail changes in our then projected programming. Foremost of these was a plan proposed by the College to join them in a Foreign Affairs Institute tentatively set for Sunday and Monday the 19th and 20th of November. This to be sponsored by the College, the League, and the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, and to include such speakers as Arnold Toynbee, Richard Wall, Mrs. Utley and General Smith. In consideration of the work to be done on this project as well as on Finance, Membership, Reapportionment, the Handbook, the Bulletin, and Publications, also coming up in the fall, Mrs. Christie asked the Board to review their plans for the October and November regular membership meetings. She stated that the National Board was preparing material for a fundamental historical study on the Individual Liberties item, and

preferred we hold back on that until after the first of next year.

Mrs. Bowen moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that the October 4th meeting consist of Metropolitan Civic Information Service, Publications and a Membership tea. The motion was carried. Mrs. Hodgkins and Mrs. Bentley agreed to be responsible for the meeting. Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Lehmann offered their homes for the occasion.

It was still agreed that the November 2nd meeting should be conducted by Voters Service to make some form of presentation of candidates. Mrs. Christie asked the Board to submit ideas to Mrs. North. It was agreed that this meeting would be held at the College.

Mrs. Lehmann moved that we cooperate with the College and the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations in the Foreign Affairs Institute in November. Mrs. Hodgkins seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie announced that their was to be a Reapportionment booth at the Lake County Fair to be held in Mauconda on July 29th. She asked Mrs. Lehmann to pursue the arrangements in cooperation with the Lake County Council.

Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Dick then explained that in view of the new definition of Nonpartisanship of the National Board, Mrs. Dick felt that she should tender her resignation to this Board. After considerable discussion it was agreed that Mrs. Dick should postpone submitting her resignation until the Board would have an opportunity to formulate a clearer interpretation, in the fall.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet S. Giel

Secretary

September, 1954

Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Herbert McLaughlin on Monday, September 13, 1954. Present were Mesdames: Welles, Holt, Bentley, Christie, Wastcoat, Baird, Steiner, McLaughlin, Bowen, Roberts, Reilly, Lehmann, Mosey, Kinney, Dick, North, Buchen, Carpenter, and Spiel.

Mrs. Christie, President, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Christie presented Mrs. McPherson Holt, newly appointed to the Board as Chairman of the State Welfare study committee. She then called attention to the opening meeting of the State League's fall program on October 15th, at which Senator Douglas and Mr. Meek would be the luncheon speakers; the balance of the meeting consisting of discussions on Individual Liberties and Home Rule. She passed a sample of the new League engagement calendar and asked the Board to consider selling them.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance on hand Aug. 1, 1954		\$ 433.10
Deposits	35.00	
Dues		
	<u>67.00</u>	
		<u>67.00</u>
		500.10
Disbursements		
Publications	5.20	
Misc.	.82	
Bank charges	.21	
	<u>6.23</u>	
		<u>6.23</u>
Balance Sept. 1, 1954		\$ 493.87

She asked Chairmen to please authorize and initial all bills before sending them on to her.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported on the Finance Drive that her committee planned to start October 15th. She asked Mrs. Christie to set a date for

a meeting with the Committee prior to that. The afternoon of October 11th at Mrs. McLaughlin's home, was agreed upon. Mrs. Christie passed a sample of a new pamphlet on facts about the League to be enclosed in the finance letters.

Discussion was then opened on plans for the October 4th regular membership meeting. It was finally decided that this meeting consist of a membership tea at the home of Mrs. Bowen with speakers from the Citizen Information Service of Metropolitan Chicago.

Mrs. Westcoat reported that the returns of "interest cards" from the membership were rather discouraging, being only 41 out of 238 to date. She stated her intention to send out reminders as well as speak to the membership on this subject at the October meeting.

Mrs. Steiner opened her report on Reapportionment plans with a summary of last spring and summer's activities: the campaign launching speech of Governor Stratton in Springfield in April, and the League's Reapportionment card in the Lake Forest Day parade in August. She announced the following plans for the fall campaign:

1. The October 19th evening meeting in the auditorium of the new Deerpath school, (if finished by that time) with Mr. Owen Rail of the Illinois Committee for Constitutional Revision as speaker;
2. The cooperation of Mrs. Baker of the Lake Bluff League and Mrs. North, Chairman of Voters' Service in distributing pamphlets on Reapportionment before the elections;
3. The cooperation of Mrs. Streeper, President of the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce in having all member stores display posters designed by the League;
4. She stated these posters would be designed by Mr. Franz Schultz of the Lake Forest College art department for \$25, as well as a larger one for display in the bank. About 100 of the ones for store displays would be needed;

Mrs. Wastcoat moved and Mrs. Dick seconded that Mrs. Steiner be authorized to use up to \$75 to be taken out of Action in the Community. The motion was carried.

5. Mrs. Steiner then continued by stating that they had asked local organizations, at their coming meetings, to either use a sound-slide-film machine taking about twelve minutes of their program time, or have one of their members, or a League member, read an explanation on Reapportionment taking about three minutes;
6. She said that a committee had been organized to distribute free tags on Blue Ballot Day, November 1st.

It was agreed that the November 1st meeting should consist of a presentation of the slide-sound-film on Reapportionment and a gallery of posters and information on candidates with brief reports and analyses of the ballots, to be held in Mrs. Steiner's home.

Mrs. Christie then asked the Secretary, as Chairman of Advertising for the Handbook, to make her report. There were 75 requests for renewals of advertisements sent out. To date 34 replies had been received consisting of 1 regret and 33 renewals representing \$440 worth of advertising of which \$200 had already been paid.

Mrs. Reilly passed a sample of the design for the cover of the new bulletin "League Lines". She said the cost for 300 copies by the Xe-Roxed process would amount to \$15, including postage. The contents of the first issue would consist of a list of the meetings and workshops, the World Trade Conference, ^{the Finance Drive} and the plans for the Reapportionment campaign. They hoped to have it distributed around the 1st of October.

Mrs. Buchen reported on plans for her Telephone committee to call about ten people, have a meeting and divide the list among the committee.

Mrs. Christie reported for the World Trade Conference to be held with the College, that Mr. Toynbee had accepted the engagement to speak

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following a tea on Sunday, November 21st. She said that Mrs. Utley was unable to speak, and that the plans for the discussion meetings of Monday morning and afternoon and a speaker for Monday evening, remained to be worked out. Several names had been suggested.

Mrs. Lehmann announced a meeting of the Lake County Council, September 17th, to discuss our participation in a county trade survey in connection with national agenda item I, on which she would report at the October meeting. She also stated that the Council would take up the matter of pooling our Voters' Service resources toward the coming elections. Mrs. Buchen, Co-chairman of Voters' Service, volunteered to attend the meeting with her.

Mrs. Welles said she planned to have two workshops on World Trade before the Conference.

It was decided that the next Board meeting would be on October 11th. Mrs. Christie asked the members to think of plans for the December meeting by this time.

The Board decided that in as much as our officers and directors had been elected before the change of interpretation of the Non-partisan-ship policy by the National Board had been adopted at the convention, no changes should be made until our Nominating Committee began, after the first of next year, on their selections of new directors and officers. At which time the National Board's interpretation would be more closely adhered to.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Spaul

Secretary

October, 1954

Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Clymer S. Bowen on Monday, October 4, 1954 at 1:45 PM. Over 50 members were present.

Our president, Mrs. Christie, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen read the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance Sept. 1, 1954 \$ 493.87

Deposits

Dues	20.50	
Finance	35.00	
		73.50
		567.37

Disbursements

State pledge	400.00	
Meetings	2.59	
Publications	23.39	
Printing	8.50	
Action	4.57	
		439.05

Balance Oct. 1, 1954 \$ 128.32

She asked the members to please respond promptly in paying up their dues.

Mrs. Herbert McLaughlin, Finance Chairman, announced the opening of the drive on October 15th. She said she would appreciate the members suggesting to her names of non-members who might be interested in supporting the League.

Mrs. Christie announced the appointments of Mrs. McPherson Holt as Chairman of the Welfare study committee, and Mrs. David P. Cordery as Social Chairman.

Mrs. Bowen announced the annual Mistake Sale sponsored by the United World Federalists to be held the evening of October 5th at the former Stiles and Horne office on Western Ave.

Mrs. Roberts announced a meeting of the Woman's Republican Club of Deerfield-Shields on October 28th at the High School at which the

Secretary of the Interior, the Honorable Douglas McKay would be the speaker.

Mrs. Mastcoat, Membership Chairman, stated that there were still many "interest cards" not turned in. She asked the members who had not sent theirs in to pick up additional cards, if necessary, at the publications table and turn them in, as this was an important help to the chairmen in filling out their committees.

Mrs. Reilly called attention to the bulletin, League Lines, sent out during the previous week. She asked the members to file this as a calendar of local and state League activities for the balance of the year. She thanked her committee for their assistance in issuing it. Mrs. Christie asked the members to refer any comments or suggestions for the next bulletin to Mrs. Reilly.

Mrs. Lehmann announced the State League's opening meeting to be held October 15th at the Congress Hotel, at which Sen. Douglas and Mr. Weck would speak in the morning at 10:00, Mr. Albert Jenner, Jr., past President of the Illinois Bar Association would speak on Individual Liberties during the luncheon, and the afternoon period would consist of a discussion of the Judicial Amendment. She asked those interested in attending to sign up with her.

Mrs. Steiner opened her report on the Reapportionment Campaign with a review of the summer's activities including the League's participation in the Lake Forest Day parade. She announced the current plans for the evening meeting with Mr. Owen Ball as speaker on October 19th at the new Deerpath School, folders to be distributed from door to door with the assistance of Voter's Service before the meeting, and posters to be displayed in store windows from now until the elections. Mrs. Roland Smith announced plans for tagging on Blue Ballot Day, and asked for volunteers to assist her.

Mrs. Roger Baird, Chairman of the Recreation study committee, announced their plans to follow up the activities of the newly formed

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Recreation Board. She stated they planned to have a meeting the following week at which Mrs. Nagel would report on what the board had accomplished. She asked the members to notify her if they were interested in attending.

After calling attention to the program (presented in League Lines) of the World Trade Conference to be held at the College November 21st and 22nd, Mrs. Christie turned the meeting over to Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins, Chairman of the study group on the suburb's relation to the city of Chicago.

Mrs. Hodgkins first introduced Mrs. Bradford L. Patton, President of Citizen Information Service for Metropolitan Chicago, and a former National Board member, who spoke to us on the development of the service and the possible ways in which suburban organizations could be of assistance. Mrs. Hodgkins then introduced our second speaker, Mrs. Ben F. Freeman, Radio and Television resource Chairman for the Illinois League. Mrs. Freeman stressed the use of various publications in disseminating civic information to local organizations. Mrs. Hodgkins suggested the membership ask any questions they might have of our speakers during the tea to follow.

Mrs. Christie thanked Mrs. Bowen for the use of her home, and adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Ronald Boardman and Mrs. Charles W. Clarke.

Respectfully submitted,

Maam S. Sped.
Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Robert A. Spiel at 10:00 AM, Monday, October 11, 1954, with our President, Mrs. Christie, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Trowbridge, Euchen, Westcoat, Lehmann, Baird, Roberts, Reilly, Hodgkins, Christie, North, Haskins, Holt, Bell, Bowen, Smith, Steiner, and [unclear].

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved, with two corrections.

The Treasurer's report was approved as read by Mrs. Bowen:

Balance Sept. 1, 1954	493.87
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Deposits	
Dues	
Finance	

73.50
567.37

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Balance Oct. 1, 1954	129.32
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In the absence of Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Lehmann announced a meeting of the Finance Committee at Mrs. McLaughlin's home this afternoon, and asked those attending to submit names of non-members who might be interested in supporting the League.

Mrs. Christie announced a change in the program of the State League's meeting October 15th: that Sen. Douglas and Mr. Meek would speak at 10:00 AM, Jenner at luncheon, and the afternoon would consist of a discussion of the Judicial Amendment.

Mrs. Steiner showed the Board the Reapportionment poster to be displayed in store windows with the explanation that the Chamber of Commerce wished to delete the "Vote Yes", and in as much as they were co-sponsors of the October 19th meeting, it had been decided to insert the League's position after that date. She stated that she and Mrs. Streeper would

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appear on the cover of the October 14th issue of the Lake Forester, and that Mrs. Mosey would like the names of individual sponsors and people who would be attending and giving dinners ^{before the October 14th meeting} to appear in this issue, by October 12th.

Mrs. Christie stated that at a PT-A meeting in the cafeteria of the new school (where our October 19th meeting would be held), Mrs. Grannis had presented an explanation of the importance of Reapportionment. Mrs. Christie said she was impressed with the magnificence of the school's facilities and urged the Board to encourage a large attendance. Mrs. Hodgkins warned the Board of the importance of sweeping Lake County in view of the possibility of general apathy and neglect of the ballot registering in favor of the opposition, which she and Mrs. Smith had found to exist.

Mrs. Trowbridge announced that with the help of Mrs. Andrus, two International Relations workshops had been arranged for November 8th and 15th at the home of Mrs. Welles: the first to consist of a recorded discussion on the past history of world trade presided over by Mrs. Lee, and the second a study of the Randall Report.

Mrs. Christie announced that Mr. Paul Hoffman would be the Monday (November 22nd) evening speaker for the World Trade Conference being held with the College. She said that she had approached Mrs. Lee (National League President) to speak at the Monday luncheon meeting, but that Mrs. Lee had not as yet been able to make a definite reply. After some discussion as to alternative League speakers, Mrs. Bowen moved, and Mrs. Bell seconded, that Mrs. Christie be authorized to get Mrs. Lee or any substitute. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie then brought up a request from the Winnetka League asking the Lake Forest League to help sponsor a meeting, Sunday, Oct. 24 (U.N. Day), in the Central School in Glencoe, followed by a reception in the Winnetka Community House, at which Sen. Wiley, head of the U.N. Charter

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Revision Committee, would speak on the United Nations and the Atomic Age. Other Leagues being asked to co-sponsor this program were from Evanston to Glencoe, and the charge to each sponsor would only be in the event the receipts were not enough to cover the costs. A pledge from the Lake Forest League of \$25 would be appreciated. Mrs. Holt moved that the Lake Forest League underwrite a possible \$25 to co-sponsor this meeting. Mrs. Hodgkins seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Westcott announced there were three new members since the October 4th (Regular) meeting, and that there were prospects that several other guests who had attended were interested in joining. It was suggested that the names of new members be published in future issues of League Lines.

Mrs. North described her plans for the November 1st meeting at the home of Mrs. Steiner: to have posters and information on the offices and candidates in the hall. Mrs. Bowen offered to secure easels to help in the display. They would also have sample ballots and blue ballots. Mrs. North said there were 26 candidates including the University Trustees. The program would also include a Reapportionment film. She stated they planned to distribute 2000 to 3000 pamphlets, door to door, before the October 19th meeting, with the assistance of the Girl and Boy Scouts.

Mrs. Holt agreed to pursue plans for the December meeting.

Mrs. Bell reported for the Handbook that of the 75 letters sent to previous advertisers, 45 renewals and 3 refusals had been received. The previous cost had been \$548, and to date, \$545 had been pledged. Mrs. Lehmann suggested it would help the Finance Drive if the Handbook were distributed before November 15th. Mrs. Christie asked the Board to suggest topics not covered in previous issues.

Mrs. Christie said that Mrs. Cordray, Social Chairman, replacing Mrs. Otis, had asked about securing maid service for meetings held at the College as this was no longer provided. It was agreed that Mrs. Cordray could use

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part of the \$50 allotted by the budget for meetings to secure such service.

It was agreed to continue the use of cards to announce meetings as well as their listing in League Lines. Mrs. Christie asked the Chairmen to keep in touch with Mrs. Reilly and give her information for succeeding issues, as well as any suggestions.

Mrs. Baird announced a meeting of the Recreation Committee at the Library at 10:00 AM, October 12th, at which Mrs. Nagel would report on what had been done. by the *Recreation Board*.

Mrs. Lehmann explained a difficulty arising in the Lake County Council over the wording of the by-laws regarding the adoption of agenda, and asked the Board's approval in voting for the new wording. Mrs. Holt moved and Mrs. Steiner seconded that Mrs. Lehmann be authorized to use her discretion in representing the Lake Forest League at the Lake County Council. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie announced a state project to have an area-consultant attend local Board meetings. She would therefore, henceforth, invite

Mrs. Nahl, assigned to this area, to attend our meetings. It was agreed to ask Mrs. Bentley to send to each Board member a copy of the new pamphlets being published by the Carrie Chapman Catt Fund; the first on the Constitution and the Bill of Rights by T. V. Smith being excellent; and the cost being 25¢.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian J. Spill

Secretary

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held on Monday, November 1, 1954, at 1:45 PM, in the home of Mrs. George R. Steiner, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding. There were over 50 members present.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance Oct. 1, 1954		128.32
Deposits		
Dues	56.00	
Finance campaign	289.00	
	345.00	
		<u>345.00</u>
		473.32
Disbursements		
Printing	127.60	
Action	13.75	
Meetings	19.00	
Bank charges	.94	
	161.29	
		<u>161.29</u>
Balance Nov. 1, 1954		312.03

In the absence of Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Bowen reported on the Finance Drive that to date 40 members had contributed \$245 and the contributions from non-members were \$55. Mrs. Christie stated she hoped the contributions from the membership would continue to exceed those of non-members, such a balance being more logical.

She called attention to an article on the League in the Oct. 24th issue of the Saturday Evening Post as being of particular interest to new members.

Mrs. Andrus announced two World Trade workshops to be held at the home of Mrs. Edward K. Wells: one on November 8th at 2:00 PM to discuss U.S. World Trade history; and the second at 10:30 AM November 15th to discuss the Benfall Report.

After calling attention to the World Trade Conference to be held at the

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College November 21st and 22nd, and urging a large turnout. The members, Mrs. Christie introduced Mrs. Harris Ward who outlined the program for November 23rd. Mrs. Christie asked volunteers to help address invitations to sign up at the College Administration Hall.

Mrs. Steiner, Chairman of Constitutional Revision, thanked Mrs. Roland Smith for her efforts in managing the tagging for Blue Ballot Day, and then gave a brief summary, pro and con, of the other items besides Reapportionment to appear on the blue ballot. This was followed by a slide-sound film on Reapportionment. Mrs. Steiner closed with a statement of the importance of getting out a large favorable vote here, not only because of the specific advantages for Lake County, but also for the desirability of adding up a state-wide majority. She read a telegram from Mrs. Phillips warning of possible last minute opposition.

Mrs. Christie then turned the meeting over to Mrs. William North, Chairman of Voters' Service, who with Mrs. Walther Buchen, Co-chairman, supplemented the reports on the candidates for office which they had prepared on posters displayed about the room.

After thanking Mrs. Steiner for the use of her home, Mrs. Christie adjourned the meeting for tea, and to enable the members to study these reports. Our hostesses were Mrs. Stanley Yonce and Mrs. Donald Vellies.

Respectively submitted,

Luan S. Gint
Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Robert Lehmann on Monday, Nov. 8, 1954.

Present were Mesdames: Kinney, McLaughlin, Haskins, Stainer, Baird, Kelly, Bell, Buch, Bowen, Lehmann Hodgkins, Christie, Dick and Spiel.

Mrs. Christie, President, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance Oct. 1, 1954 128.32

Deposits		
Dues	56.00	
Finance campaign	289.00	
	345.00	
		345.00
		473.32

Disbursements		
Printing	127.60	
Action		
Meetings		
Bank charges	.9	
	127.50	
		127.50
		161.29

Balance Nov. 1, 1954 312.03

She stated that the amount of \$75 voted to be spent for the Reapportionment campaign had been correct, and that of \$57 spent for publications only \$1.15 had been paid in. It was suggested greater attention be given to having the members of workshops pay for their pamphlets, although the \$57 was still within the limit of \$60 allotted for this item in the budget.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported on the Finance drive that 76 members had so far contributed \$527 and non-members had contributed \$185. She stated her intention to follow up with letters rather than postcards.

Mrs. Bowen reported for Membership that there were now 219 members, more than at this time last year in spite of a loss of 9. There were six new members since the opening of the programs this fall.

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Suggestions were made for improving the mechanics of signing up new members by having forms and/or cards available at each meeting and someone of the Membership committee on hand so that dues could be paid on the spot if so desired.

Mrs. Bell opened her report on the Handbook with a summary of the information and methods of financing used by the 21 out of 63 Illinois Leagues that distributed similar publications. She then described the changes to be made in our 1954 issue. She asked anyone interested in helping to address envelopes to call Mrs. Chainski.

After discussion on the program for the December meeting, it was agreed to leave the arrangements to Mrs. Holt (Chairman of Welfare), Mrs. Carpenter, and Mrs. Dick.

Mrs. Christie read a letter from Lynn ~~and~~ ^{Editor of The Lake Forester,} Pierce, praising Mrs. Mosey for her excellent job of analysis and explanation of the Reapportionment Amendment in the October issues of the Lake Forester; with which expression Mrs. Steiner said she wished wholeheartedly to concur.

Mrs. Christie called attention to articles on the League in the Oct. 24th issue of the Saturday Evening Post, and the Nov. 4th issue of Look.

Mrs. Maskins described a discussion on Conservation held before the Highland Park Garden Club which had been lively and given everyone a wider idea of the subject. Mrs. Buchen said she had attended and been most favorably impressed.

Mrs. Baird reported a meeting of the Recreation Committee to form tentative future plans. She read a letter that the committee had written to Mr. McKellar, Chairman of the Recreation Board, asking him to speak at a future League meeting, and for a copy of the minutes of his Board meeting; and then read his reply, accepting the invitation and enclosing the minutes.

Mrs. Christie described the arrangements progressing toward the operation of the World Trade Conference of November 21st and 22nd, with

particular emphasis on our responsibility for the Monday sessions. She stated that Mrs. Byron Elting was Chairman of Arrangements and asked the Board members to call her to assist in handling registrations and the other mechanics necessary to the successful operation of the luncheon and discussions. Mrs. Christie described the publicity being pursued on radio and television plus Dr. Johnson's dinner before the Toynbee lecture, and the distribution of autographed copies of Toynbee's book. She announced that Mrs. Lehmann was Chariman of Arrangements for the panel discussion, "Youth Wants to Know" which was to be held by history students from 12 local high-schools. She called attention to two new League publications on World Trade (U.S. Foreign Trade Policy - 1776 to 1955, and Pending Trade Issues) which she suggested be distributed by us to the schools partaking in the discussion. Mrs. Hodgkins moved that we buy 50 copies of each (U.S. Trade history - \$11.75, Pending Trade Issues - \$4.50) to distribute to these shhools. Mrs. Dick seconded the motion which was carried. Mrs. Christie announced that there would be tables for the sale of these and other League publications at all sessions.

The Board then turned to a consideration of plans for future activities and meetings. It was agreed that the next Board meeting should cover plans for such agenda items as: Individual Liberties, Recreation, Home Rule, Judicial Reorganization, and the proposals for the State convention. It was tentatively decided that: Mrs. Baird would pursue plans for Mr. McKellar to speak on Recreation at the January meeting to be held on the 10th instead of the 3rd; that Mrs. Dick would follow plans for workshops and a meeting on Individual Liberties for February; and that Mrs. Hodgkins and Mrs. Steiner would work out a joint program on Home Rule and Judicial Reorganization for March.

Mrs. Reilly said she should have the copy for the new Bulletin to to come out in January by December 15th and preferably at the next Board meeting to be held December 13th.

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Mrs. Christie announced that Barat College had asked the League for a teacher on Parliamentary Procedure, and that Miss Whedon had volunteered to undertake the project. She reminded the members to reimburse Mrs. Lehmann for the October 15th State luncheon meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise S. Ford

Secretary

December, 1954

Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM on Monday, December 5, 1954 with over 50 members present. Our President, Mrs. Christie called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance Nov. 1, 1954		312.02
Deposits		
Dues	24.50	
Finance	1015.55	
Publications	8.05	
Miscellaneous	7.50	
	<u>1056.05</u>	1056.05
		<u>1368.07</u>
Disbursements		
Meeting	5.00	
Action	88.10	
Bank charges	1.72	
	<u>95.82</u>	95.82
Balance Dec. 1, 1954		1272.25

In the absence of Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Bowen reported on the Finance Drive that 90 members had contributed \$634 and 75 non-members had contributed \$207.50 making a total of \$1451.50. Mrs. Christie commented on the excellence of the report and urged members who had not already done so to send in their contributions shortly. She also stated that Mrs. Westcott and Mrs. Birney would be in attendance to take care of the applications of any new members.

Mrs. Bell announced that the handbook, "Facts for Lake Foresters", was now ready for distribution and asked volunteers to help with mailing to get in touch with Mrs. Theodore Wilson. Mrs. Bell described a few changes occurring in the new issue and thanked her committee for their assistance.

Mrs. Christie asked the membership to note the tally of votes on the Blue Ballot, quoted in the Lake Forester (4410 Yes and 100 No) as an

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indication of the successful efforts of Mrs. Steiner and Mrs. North and their committees. She reported on the Public Affairs Institute (held in conjunction with the College) that 17 Leagues had been represented, and that the almost universal comments of the speakers had referred to their enjoyment of such intelligent audiences.

Mrs. Christie announced a President's council meeting to consider the Illinois League's continuing responsibilities (Such agenda items as: housing, civil service, the merit system, equal job opportunities, and anti-subversive laws). She asked the membership to notify the Board of their interest in these items as well as the current agenda items like Welfare and Judicial Reform, in preparation for our suggestions to be presented to the State convention in May.

She then presented Mrs. McPherson Holt, Chairman of the Welfare study group, who introduced our speaker, Miss Mary Jane Ward, author of "The Snake Pit" and "With Women It's Different", and Chairman of the Mental Hospitals Committee of the Illinois Society for Mental Health. Miss Ward spoke to us on "Mental Health is the Voter's Business" describing treatment, costs and care in private vs. public institutions. After a most interesting question period, Mrs. Holt thanked Miss Ward and urged the members to sign up for her workshops.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. David P. Cordray and Mrs. Carroll Sudler.

Respectfully submitted,

Luise S. Spil
Secretary

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Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. George M. Reilly, Dec. 13, 1954, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Buchen, Smith, McLaughlin, Roberts, Nixon, Bell, Baird, Haskins, Kinney, Molt, Christie, Lehmann, Nagel, Reilly, Dick, and Spiel.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved with one correction.

Mrs. Bowen read the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Nov. 1, 1954 312.03

Deposits

Dues	24.50
Finance	1016.00
Publications	8.05
Miscellaneous	7.50
	<u>1056.05</u>

1368.08
1368.08

Disbursements

Meetings	6.00
Action	88.10
Bank charges	1.72
	<u>95.82</u>

95.82

Balance, Dec. 1, 1954 1272.26

She explained that although the present cash balance seemed high, our actual financial situation was not too prosperous when one projected the ratio of expected income over expenses for the balance of our fiscal year, in keeping with our budget.

Discussion was then raised on the policy of exempting members, joining after the first of April, from appeals for the finance drive. Mrs. Kinney moved that new members (except those being reinstated), paying dues for the first time during the current fiscal year, be exempted from an appeal in the finance drive. Mrs. Bell seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported on the Finance Drive that 106 members

had contributed \$730.50 and 74 non-members had contributed \$899.50 making a total of \$1630, which figure was not, however to be considered as final. The Board commended Mrs. McLaughlin for her marvelous job in exceeding the goal.

Mrs. Christie read a letter from Dr. Johnson thanking the League for its part in the Foreign Affairs Institute. She stated that a \$25 honorarium had been offered to Mrs. Mitchell, the League speaker at the Institute, which Mrs. Mitchell had explained was customarily turned in to National as a fund for the travel expenses for Directors and other speakers. Mrs. Mitchell had also been reimbursed \$33 for her expenses here from Indiana.

Mrs. Christie reported that the League had been reimbursed for publications that had been used in the Institute, and that although all bills were not in, it was expected that there would be some money left over. She asked the Board to consider possible uses for this money. It was suggested it could be held to help finance another institute, or perhaps to establish a scholarship. It was agreed to keep these suggestions in mind until such time as we should know the actual amount.

Mrs. Christie then introduced Mrs. Nohl, our area consultant from the State League.

Mrs. Bell reported that some, if not all, of the new issues of the handbook had been distributed. 350 had gone to institutions, with 120, the largest number, going to the High School. She stated that Mrs. Chainski had had 15 to 20 helpers on the addressing, and Mrs. Theodore Wilson had taken charge of filling the envelopes and mailing. She asked the Board to let her know their ideas or suggestions as they read it.

The Board then turned to a consideration of the appointment of two Board members, in addition to the three elected members of the Nominating Committee (Mrs. Kinney, Mrs. Odell, Mrs. Rooney). Mrs. Smith moved that Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Mosey be appointed. Mrs. Baird seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie said she had polled a majority of the Board members by phone for their approval in paying \$100 to Miss Ward, speaker at the December 5th regular meeting. She asked for, and received the approval of those members whom she had been unable to reach.

Mrs. Baird announced that Mr. McKellar was not able to speak on the Recreation program at the January meeting, but could do so in February. Mrs. Holt moved and Mrs. Lehmann seconded that Mrs. Steiner be empowered to arrange the January meeting on the Judiciary. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Holt stated she had as yet no definite plans for Welfare workshops; that there was great need for clarification of Welfare areas particularly in connection with the State agenda item.

Mrs. Dick said she was planning workshops on Individual Liberties and proposed to arrange a membership meeting consisting of a panel discussion of the material prepared in the workshops. She stated there was much material to be covered and that her plans would be more specific after the first of the year.

Mrs. Christie pointed out the several items to be covered for the balance of the year with particular emphasis on the proposals for the State agenda and a review of continuing responsibilities, to be submitted by January 10th. Mrs. Holt amended her previous motion: to withdraw the date from Mrs. Steiner's arrangement for a meeting on the Judiciary. Mrs. Lehmann moved and Mrs. Baird seconded that the January 10th membership meeting consist of a review of State's continuing responsibilities and the proposals for the State agenda. The motion was carried. It was agreed that the meeting would be in the form of a panel report or discussion. Mrs. Lehmann was asked to take charge, with Mrs. Hixon, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Baird ^{and} ~~and Mrs. Hixon~~ agreeing to help.

Mrs. Christie announced the League's participation in a trade survey being conducted nationally by congressional districts; that the State League under Mrs. MacChesney had allocated the local industrial survey to

the Wautegan League, with which project we would be asked to help.

Mrs. Reilly announced that the actual cost of the first issue of the Bulletin had come to \$2.41. The second issue would cover such items as the Barat College course on parliamentary law, the citizenship school, the names of the Nominating Committee, new members, the finance drive, the handbook, and conservation, as well as meetings scheduled up to April 1st.

It was agreed to leave the plans for the February and March meetings to Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Dick, and Mrs. Steiner.

Consideration was given to the appointment of the Budget Committee. Mrs. Lehmann moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that Mrs. Carpenter be appointed chairman, and that Mrs. Quinlan be asked to serve. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Baird asked the members to let her know if they were interested in attending a Recreation Committee meeting to learn what had been accomplished and to discuss what questions to ask. Mr. McKellar.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam F. Paul
Secretary.

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. McPherson Holt, at 10:00 AM, Monday, January 10, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: McLaughlin, Hodgkins, Kinney, Smith, Mosey, Steiner, Dick, Baird, North, Bentley, Lehmann, Holt, Reilly, Bowen, Haskins, Nagel, Bell, Euchen, Christie, Quinlan, Roberts, O'Connor and Spiel.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Dec. 1, 1954		\$ 1272.26
Deposits		
Finance	327.00	
Publications	<u>15.35</u>	
	342.35	
		<u>342.35</u>
		1615.21
Disbursements		
Speaker	100.00	
Pledge	400.00	
Action	41.70	
Miscellaneous	5.41	
Bank Charge	<u>2.03</u>	
	549.14	
		<u>549.14</u>
Balance, Jan. 1, 1955		1066.07

She then read a letter from the Lake Bluff League expressing their gratitude to Mrs. Steiner for her assistance to them in the Reapportionment campaign, and enclosing a contribution to us of \$10.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported on the Finance Drive that 113 members has contributed \$803 and 79 non-members had contributed \$969, making a total of \$1772. It was suggested she make an announcement at the membership meeting that no additional appeals would be sent out for this drive.

Discussion was opened on the subject of Membership as to whether organizing on the unit system would help. Mrs. Hodgkins moved and Mrs. Steiner seconded that Mrs. Christie appoint a committee to study the unit system and how it could apply to Lake Forest. The motion was carried.

The Board then took up consideration of whether the bulletin,

"League Lines" should be issued monthly next year thereby discontinuing the post cards. Mrs. Reilly stated that the mechanics of distributing the bulletin, i.e. collecting information from the Chairmen, and getting people to help with addressing, might make a more frequent issue undesirable. It was suggested the membership be consulted by asking them to check their use of the bulletin on the attendance record of the afternoon meeting.

Mrs. Christie read a letter from Barat College thanking the League for providing Miss Whedon's course on Parliamentary Procedure and for their copies of Facts for Lake Foresters. Mrs. Bell called the Board's attention to a correction in the handbook in the Barat College advertisement to the effect that the time for Barat Briefs was Tuesdays at 3:15 instead of Thursdays at 2:45.

Mrs. Buchen described the session of the Citizenship School in Waukegan, and the material presented by that League to each newly naturalized citizen. Mrs. North stated that Mrs. Weiss of the Waukegan League had indicated that the Lake Forest League was expected to take over in March, financially as well as physically. Mrs. North agreed to look up material for such use by the next meeting, including material on American Citizenship distributed by CIS, as suggested by Mrs. Hodgkins.

Mrs. Christie asked the Chairmen whether they had all received the triplicate report forms to be filled out for National, State and local files. She urged them to fill these out in as great detail as possible, and asked Mrs. Kinney, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, to keep in mind and make clear to prospective candidates that these reports were a part of the job.

Mrs. Bentley read a letter from Mr. Herbert Graffis, Sun-Times columnist, praising the handbook and stating its usefulness to him in considering the projected toll road.

Mrs. Bell read the financial statement for the handbook, showing a balance of \$593.62, with 26 advertisements amounting to \$300 still unpaid.

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The only expense still anticipated was the bill for printing which should come to about \$700.

Mrs. Bentley distributed National board material on Continuing Responsibilities, and discussion was raised on the manner of presenting this to the membership. It was agreed that the Board should conscientiously study the material before the next meeting and come prepared for discussion.

Mrs. Nagel announced that the College was preparing a series of seminars on Freedom of Thought, and suggested that they might consider expanding these seminars to include various groups, such as the American Legion and using some of the League's Freedom Agenda material. Mrs. Bowen moved and Mrs. Bell seconded that Mrs. Nagel be empowered to discuss the question of using Freedom Agenda material in the college seminars, and confer with Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Bentley about the use of any further material. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Baird announced that preparations had been completed for the February membership meeting with Mr. McKellar, with the exception of a Recreation Committee meeting to determine the subjects and questions to be covered. She asked those members of the Board interested in attending this meeting to let her know so she could notify them of the time and place.

Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Steiner agreed that the March meeting should be on the Judiciary. Mrs. Roberts moved and Mrs. Smith seconded that Mrs. Steiner proceed with the arrangements. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Hodgkins announced that the Chicago League was planning a meeting with the candidates for Mayor for February 15th.

It was proposed to ask our Mayor, Mr. Donnelley, to speak at our April Annual meeting, but to wait until February to ask him.

Mrs. O'Connor asked the Board's opinion on getting Mrs. Lockheim, successor to Mrs. India Edwards, and Mrs. Wesley Dixon to hold a discussion or debate on a subject of our choosing around the middle of February. She stated she believed that the Highland Park League would

present such a program, inviting us, if we did not care to do so ourselves. The Board thanked Mrs. O'Connor for her suggestion, but felt that such a program would be more timely perhaps in an election year. We would, therefore, leave it at this time, but support the Highland Park League if they should proceed with it.

The Board then proceeded to the proposals for the state agenda. The following proposals were moved, seconded and carried:

1. Mrs. Steiner moved and Mrs. Lehmann seconded that Item I.a & c. remain as they were, dropping section b.
2. Mrs. Hodgkins moved and Mrs. Lehmann seconded that Item II be kept on.
3. Mrs. Dick moved and Mrs. Hodgkins seconded that Item III.a be moved to Continuing Responsibilities.
4. Mrs. Holt moved and Mrs. Smith seconded that Item IV remain the same.

approval of The following being the complete proposals to be submitted *to* the membership:

- I. Basic constitutional revision to provide for:
 - a.) Court system reorganization and nonpartisan selection of the judiciary.
 - b.) Coordinated and flexible state fiscal structure.
- II. Methods of achieving home rule through constitutional revision and/or statutory means.
- III. Measures to secure high standards in state welfare services.

Mrs. Christie announced that Mrs. Keith Carpenter had accepted Chairmanship of the Budget Committee, to consist of Mrs. Quinlan, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. Christie.

It was agreed that Mrs. Bentley would have the state legislative news letters sent to all the state agenda Chairmen.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board to bring their suggestions for the local agenda to the next Board meeting (February 14th, at the home of Mrs. Hodgkins) as they must be presented to the membership in March. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

January, 1955

Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM on Monday, Jan. 10, 1955 with about 40 members present. Our President, Mrs. Christie, presided.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

It was agreed to omit the Treasurer's report, due to the absence of Mrs. Bowen.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported on the Finance Drive that 113 members had contributed \$803.50, and 79 non-members had contributed \$969.00, making a total of \$1772.50. Mrs. Christie thanked the membership for their generous support.

Mrs. Roger Baird, Chairman of the League's Recreation Committee, announced that Mr. McKellar, Chairman of the Lake Forest Recreation Board, would speak at our next meeting. She also announced a meeting of the committee for Tuesday, January 25th, place to be determined, and asked the members interested in attending, to please sign the paper being passed to that effect.

Mrs. Steiner, Chairman of Constitutional Revision announced the beginning of 4 workshops starting Monday, January 17th at her home from 1 to 3 PM: the first three to study judicial reorganization, and the last on Home Rule to be conducted by Mrs. Hodgkins.

After announcing the opening meeting of Lake Forest College's Fireside Seminars on Tuesday, January 25th, ^{at 7:30 PM.} at which Dr. K.C. Wu would speak on the Future of China, Mrs. Christie turned the meeting over to Mrs. Lehmann who acted as moderator for a panel on Continuing Responsibilities.

Mrs. Lehmann opened by presenting Mrs. Frank Nixon, a founder and past President of our League who summarized the League's 30 years of growth, pointing out the relationship of our current Continuing Responsibilities to the League's initial interest and action.

There then followed a summarization of the separate items with Mr. Maurice Pollack presenting the Illinois League's program on Housing; Mr. Philo A. Orton, discussing Equal Job Opportunities and the State Fair Employment Protection Committee; and Mrs. Arthur Voss covering Anti-subversive laws and protection of Civil Liberties. Mrs. Howard Roberts summarized the League's interest in Child Labor Laws; Mr. Lawrence O'Connor discussed the merit system and Civil Service; and Mr. Roger Baird presented the League's interest in education. Mrs. Lehmann presented the League's stand for permanent constitution.

After thanking Mrs. Lehmann and the members of the panel for their interesting presentation, Mrs. Christie again took over the meeting to ask the membership to consider our proposals for the State agenda.

Mrs. Steiner moved and Mrs. Roberts seconded that Item I, omitting section b., be re-entered. The motion was carried. Mrs. Chainski suggested that under Item I c. (coordinated and flexible state fiscal structure), special attention be given to the removal of the tax on essential foods and drugs. Mrs. Trowbridge moved that an explanatory note be attached to this item to that effect (i.e. that it was the sense of this meeting that special attention be given to the removal of the tax on foods and drugs). Mrs. Chainski seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Hodgkins moved to re-enter Item II. Mrs. Bentley seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Dick moved that section a. of Item III be removed from the State agenda and put on Continuing Responsibilities. Mrs. Lehmann seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Holt moved and Mrs. Bronson seconded that Item IV be re-entered. The motion was carried.

The following, therefore, being the complete proposals to be submitted by the Lake Forest League for the agenda of the League of Women Voters of Illinois:

- I. Basic constitutional revision to provide for:
 - a.) Court system reorganization and nonpartisan selection of the judiciary.
 - * b.) Coordinated and flexible state fiscal structure.
- II. Methods of achieving home rule through constitutional revision and/or statutory means.
- III. Measures to secure high standards in state welfare services.
 - * With special attention to the removal of the tax on essential foods and drugs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. James McAlvin and Mrs. Herbert McLaughlin.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. [unclear]

In the absence of,

Louise S. Spill

Secretary

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM, Feb. 7, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding, and over 60 members present.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Jan. 1, 1955		\$ 1066.07
Deposits		
Dues	3.50	
Finance	117.50	
	121.00	121.00
		<u>1187.07</u>
Disbursements		
Publications	71.13	
Action	25.00	
Meetings	3.00	
Printing	7.41	
	106.54	<u>106.54</u>
Balance, Feb. 1, 1955		\$ 1080.53

Mrs. Christie then made the following announcements:

1. A luncheon meeting of the Chicago League, February 15th, in the Gold Room of the Congress Hotel at which the mayoral candidates would speak briefly and answer questions; members interested in attending should notify Mrs. Lehmann;
2. A workshop on Home Rule, February 14th at the home of Mrs. Hodgkins from 1 to 3 PM. Members should secure study material from Mrs. Bowen;
3. A call for action on the extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act coming up before Congress.

Mrs. Wells described the regional Trade Survey being conducted nationally by the League and our participation in helping the Waukegan and Highland Park Leagues cover Lake County industries. She stated it was our part to supply interviewers who would be briefed in sessions in Chicago at the YWCA February 18th and 23rd. She asked those interested ⁱⁿ to sign ^{posting} up with her.

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Mrs. Christie called attention to announcements, on Mrs. Bowen's table, of evening classes on social legislation being conducted by the College. She then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Roger Baird, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, who introduced our speaker, Mr. Donald McKellar, President of the Lake Forest Recreation Board. Mr. McKellar outlined the history of our recreation program and the present needs for expansion. He described the accomplishments and future plans of the newly created Board.

After an interesting question period, Mrs. Christie thanked Mr. McKellar and Mrs. Baird for the presentation of the program and welcomed our guests.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Keith Carpenter, Mrs. Charles Glore, Jr., and Mrs. David Cordray.

Respectfully submitted,

Luaine S. Spill
Secretary

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. W. Press Hodgkins at 10:00 AM, Monday, February 14, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding

Present were Mesdames: Steiner, Bell, Haskins, Reilly, Baird, Roberts, Christie, Buchen, Mosey, Carpenter, Smith, Bowen, Bentley, Lehmann, Nagel and Spiel.

Mrs. Christie introduced Miss McGowan and Miss Eide, visitors from the State office.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Jan. 1, 1955	\$ 1066.07
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Deposits		
Dues	3.50	
Finance	117.50	
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Disbursements		
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Balance, Feb. 1, 1955	\$ 1080.53
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She urged the Chairmen to hand in their departmental expenses before the close of the fiscal year.

Mrs. Christie urged those who had not already done so to write their representatives about the extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, and stated that those interested, could obtain from her the text of Mrs. Reubhausen's testimony before the congressional committee.

Mrs. Steiner announced that Mr. William Trumbull, a member of the Bar Association's Committee for the Judicial Proposal, would be our speaker at the next Membership meeting March 7th. It was agreed to use the Telephone Committee to help in getting a good attendance.

Mrs. Carpenter moved and Mrs. Bell seconded to change the date of the April meeting to the 11th. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Smith agreed to approach our Mayor, Mr. Donnelley, to see if he could be our speaker on that date, or whether, if not, he could speak in May or June. It was tentatively decided that the program of the meeting would consist of the annual business, lunch, and the speaker.

Discussion was then raised on when to present the State Board's recommendations for the agenda to the membership. Mrs. Lehmann moved that a discussion meeting on the State agenda be held at 11:00 AM on March 7th at the home of Mrs. Bentley, to be followed by a sandwich lunch and the meeting on the Judiciary in the afternoon. Mrs. Baird seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Bell read the financial report for the handbook showing a bank balance of \$178.10 with 8 advertisements amounting to \$95 still unpaid. She turned 320 three-cent stamps over to the Treasurer. It was decided to contribute \$150 from the handbook account to the Treasurer after the first of April.

Mrs. Bell then outlined a regional meeting on Freedom Agenda to be held in Milwaukee February 23rd and 24th, with Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Foreman, among others, as speakers. She agreed to look into various methods of transportation and asked any Board members interested in going, to let her know.

Mrs. Carpenter read the proposed budget for 1955-56 with an explanation of State's request for us to raise our pledge to them to \$1751. Mrs. Smith moved and Mrs. Steiner seconded that we accept the pledge to State of \$1751. The motion was carried. Mrs. Bowen read the account of our actual expenditures for the current year against our budget. It was decided to table a motion by Mrs. Roberts to approve the budget and submit it to the members until the Board could see additional copies drawn up for the next Board meeting.

Mrs. Bentley described the plans for promoting the sale of publications outlined at a meeting which she had attended, and her suggestion

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for the formation of a Publications committee. The importance of having a place where material would be available to the public was also emphasized. Mrs. Bentley agreed to inquire whether the Junior League Book Shop or Miss Wells, the public stenographer, would be best able to or willing to provide such space, as well as having material on hand in the Library. It was also suggested to send announcements of available material to various local organizations.

The Board then turned to answering the Evaluation Questionnaire sent out by the Illinois League. The questions with answers are attached to the minutes.

Mrs. Christie reminded the Chairmen to fill out and hand in their reports, and called attention to a letter from Mrs. Lee reviewing the League's standing and offering information and guidance in answering criticisms of the League's position.

It was decided the next Board meeting would be held February 28th at the home of Mrs. Steiner.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna S. Skel

Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held Monday, February 28, 1955, at the home of Mrs. Bentley, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Presnet were Mesdames: Welles, Baird, Kinney, Christie, Bell, Buchen, Bowen, Haskins, Bentley, Nosey, Carpenter, Hodgkins, and Spiel.

The minutes of the February 14th meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen stated there were no changes in the Treasurer's report since that date. Again she reminded the Chairmen and officers to hand in their expenses.

Mrs. Christie asked for, and received, the approval of the Board in having asked Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Velde to present the State agenda proposals at the March 7th discussion meeting.

She announced a call for action on the reactivated Broyles Bill coming up this week before the State Senate, and reminded the members of the call for action on the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act.

Mrs. Bell described the session of the regional Freedom Agenda meeting in Milwaukee, February 23rd, (attended by Mesdames Bentley, Hodgkins Christie, and Bell) with particular attention to the address by Mr. Johnson, President of Milwaukee-Downer College.

Discussion was raised on a speaker for the April 11th Annual Meeting in as much as our Mayor, Mr. Donnelley, would not be able to attend. Mrs. Bell went to call Mr. Johnson in Milwaukee to find out if he could repeat his speech of February 23rd.

Meanwhile Mrs. Welles described the mechanics outlined for our participation in the regional trade survey, with the names of the companies our League would possibly be asked to interview: i.e. Amco Tools, Chicago Hardware Foundry, Cyclone Fence, Kheinschmidt Laboratories (Deerfield), Tracto-motive Corporation, and maybe Fansteel. She then suggested that it might be interesting to have a meeting on the past year's accomplishments

in the United Nations with a film on UNICEF for May or June.

Mrs. Bell returned to say that Mr. Johnson was not able to speak on April 11th, but would be glad to at another time, and that his fee was customarily \$100 to \$150. After much discussion it was agreed to hold decision on the programs for the April and May meetings until finding out whether Mr. Donnelley were definitely committed for our May meeting.

After the Board had considered several proposals for our local agenda, Mrs. Christie asked the members to gather 15 minutes before the March 7th morning discussion meeting in order to formulate the proposals to submit to the membership.

Mrs. Carpenter then read the new proposed budget with explanations of the changes in: membership dues, the finance campaign, the convention expenses, and the pledge to State. (As follows: the figure of \$770 being more realistic than \$787.50, due partly to the policy of exempting members joining after January from paying dues again in April; the finance goal being increased to cover the pledge to State, and in view of the actual achievement of \$1786; the convention expenses being less as this being a State convention year in Champaign; and the pledge to State being raised at their request, on a percentage basis to local Leagues, due to State's increasingly poor financial situation.) Mrs. Bentley moved and Mrs. Mosey seconded that the Board approve the budget. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie asked the Board's opinion about including copies of our handbook in the Welcome Wagon being established ^{in the Community} ~~by the Library.~~ Mrs. Baird moved that we provide Facts for Lake Foresters for the Welcome Wagon and include a note about our meetings and joining the League. Mrs. Hodgkins seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Haskins read a letter from Mrs. Bentley to the other state Leagues asking for suggestions on how to arouse a wider interest in Conservation.

Mrs. Christie again urged the Chairmen to fill out their reports

which must be in by March 15th.

The Board agreed to have another meeting March 14th at the Home of Mrs. Christie.

Discussion was raised on whether to increase the issues of the Bulletin next year, but decision was postponed in the absence of Mrs. Reilly

Mrs. Christie announced that April 12th and 13th were the dates ^{asked} for the Legislative School in Springfield, and ~~for~~ the Board to consider about 5 people from the Lake Forest League to attend, as well as delegates for the State Convention May 10th, 11th and 12th.

Mrs. Bentley said she had approached Miss Wells about display space in her window. Miss Wells had been favorably disposed, and it was suggested we use the space for one week each month, thereby changing the display. Mrs. Mosey moved that it be left to the discretion of the Publications Chairman to arrange a publications window in the office of Miss Wells. Mrs. Welles seconded the motion which was carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna S. [Signature]
Secretary

March, 1955

Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was called by Mrs. Christie at the home of Mrs. George R. Steiner at 11:15 AM on Monday, March 7, 1955, to formulate the proposals for local agenda items to be submitted to the membership.

Present were Mesdames: Mosey, Smith, Steiner, Baird, Bowen, Kinney, Brown, Christie and Spiel.

Mrs. Baird moved that:

Item I: Support of a recreation program and building suitable to the needs of Lake Forest.

be submitted to the membership.

Mrs. Steiner seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Baird then moved that:

Item II: Study of city planning for Lake Forest, particularly in relation to the public schools and conservation, with action ~~to be taken~~.

be submitted to the membership.

Mrs. Bowen seconded the motion which was carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian S. Spiel

Secretary

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held at the home of Mrs. George R. Steiner at 11:30 AM, Monday, March 7, 1955, with over 30 members present. Our President, Mrs. Christie, presided.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, February 1, 1955	\$ 1080.53
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Deposits

Dues	7.00	
Publications	16.40	
Finance	5.00	
	<u>28.40</u>	28.40
		<u>1108.93</u>

Disbursements

Dept. Chairmen	2.24	
Miscellaneous	3.00	
Bank charges	.49	
	<u>5.73</u>	5.73

Balance, March 1, 1955	\$ 1103.20	*
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- * \$400 of this is pledged to State
\$500 is held as reserve
leaving a working balance of \$203.20 for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Mrs. Baird presented the Board's proposals for our local agenda, as follows:

- I. That the League support a recreation program and building suitable to the needs of Lake Forest.
- II. That the League study city planning for Lake Forest, particularly in relation to the public schools and conservation.

Mrs. Christie asked the membership to consider these and/or other proposals to be voted for adoption at the annual meeting.

Mrs. Baird then briefly explained the proposed referendum in West Deerfield Township to raise the tax rate for a new library in the Village of Deerfield, and its effect on a portion of the residents of the cities of Lake Forest and Highland Park.

Mrs. Christie explained that the next business before the membership was to discuss the proposed State agenda items which would be voted on at the State convention in May. She presented Mrs. Granger Brown, State Vice-president and Chairman of Voters' Service, who presented:

- Item I. Basic revision of the revenue article of the constitution and statutory measures to provide revenue for State government services, particularly as related to the financing of education and welfare.

Mrs. Brown discussed the State Board's chief reasons for the selection after consideration of the proposals sent in by local Leagues. Among these were a strong feeling that revision of the revenue article was basic to improvements in the fields of education and welfare, and a consideration of the possible large program load with the National items and the State Continuing Responsibilities.

Mrs. Christie then introduced Mrs. James A. Velde, State Chairman for Constitutional Revision, who presented the reasons for the selection of

- Item II. Basic revision of the judicial article of the constitution to provide for court reorganization and nonpartisan selection of the judiciary.

with particular attention to the change of the word "with" to "and", allowing the League to consider organization and the nonpartisan selection of the judiciary as separate items.

Mrs. Christie announced a session of the Legislative School in Springfield, April 12th and 13th to which five members of our League should be sent. She asked those interested in attending to let her know.

Mrs. Kinney, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the names of candidates for officers and directors for the next two years, to be elected at the annual meeting:

for <u>President</u>	Mrs. John Christie
for <u>Recording-Secretary</u>	Mrs. Robert Spiel
for <u>Corresponding Secretary</u>	Mrs. Ernest Hoy
for <u>Elected Directors</u>	Mrs. Roger Baird Mrs. Granger Brown Mrs. Press Hodgkins

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Regular Membership Meeting

for the Nominating Committee (one year term)

Mrs. John Nagel, Chairman

Mrs. Robert Andrus

Mrs. Frederick Quinlan

The meeting was then recessed for lunch, with Mrs. Solomon B. Smith and Mrs. Robert Andrus as hostesses.

Mrs. Christie recalled the meeting to order with a reminder to the membership of a call for action on the Broyles bills. She then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Steiner, Chairman ~~of~~ Constitutional Revision who introduced our speaker, Mr. William Trumbull, Professor of Law at Northwestern University, and a member of the Bar Association's Committee for the Judicial Proposal. Mr. Trumbull presented an evaluation of the current proposal as against the present system, in the organization of the courts as well as the selection of judges. There followed a most interesting and enlightening question period, after which Mrs. Christie thanked Mr. Trumbull, our hostesses, and Mrs. Steiner for the use of her home.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian S. Spaul

Secretary

April, 1955

Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was called to order by Mrs. Christie, President, in her home, April 18, 1955.

Present were Mesdames: Steiner, Nagel, Baird, Christie, Smith, Bowen, Brown, Mosey, Lehmann, and Spiel.

The minutes of the February 28th meeting were read and approved with one correction.

The secretary then read the minutes of a special Board meeting held March 7th, at which less than a quorum had been present, to formulate the proposals for local agenda to be submitted to the membership. Mrs. Steiner moved, and Mrs. Smith seconded that the Board approve these proposals, to wit:

- I. That the League support a recreation program and building suitable to the needs of Lake Forest.
- II. That the League study city planning for Lake Forest, particularly in relation to the public schools and conservation.

The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie reminded the Board of the calls for action on the Broyles bills, and a commission for equal job opportunities, in the State legislature; and the Technical Assistance Program of the United Nations, and the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, before the National Senate.

She also called attention to an article in the Daily News, describing the current proposal for redistricting the state, as a threat to the purpose of the Reapportionment Amendment.

Mrs. Brown announced a possible call for action on proposed amendments to the laws regulating absentee voting, with particular regard to the physically incapacitated.

Mrs. Bowen stated there were no changes in the Treasurer's report since the annual meeting, April 11th. She called attention to the comparison of the 1954-55 budget with the actual receipts as stated in her

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annual report, and showing a surplus of \$166.30 for the past fiscal year.

Mrs. Smith said that our Mayor, Mr. Donnelley, would be our speaker for the May 2nd membership meeting, on City Planning.

Mrs. Welles was planning for the June meeting, on the United Nations.

Discussion was raised as to the presentation of the Chairmen's annual reports. It was agreed that these should be printed and distributed at the June meeting.

The Board then turned to a consideration of increasing the issues of the Bulletin, and whether these should replace the monthly cards. Mrs. Lehmann moved that we issue bulletins at least nine times per year, instead of cards, and appoint a Chairman to head such a committee. Mrs. Brown seconded the motion which was carried. It was suggested the Bulletin be sent out on the Fridays before the regular Monday meetings.

The Board then turned to the selection of portfolios among the Directors, the appointment of six additional Directors, and other Chairmen, for which the discussion was led by Mrs. Nagel as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. The full new Board would be announced when Mrs. Nagel could obtain the several acceptances.

It was decided that two Chairmen be appointed to be in charge of State and National Continuing Responsibilities, each selecting as many committee members as necessary to cover the various items.

It was agreed to allow \$20 for expenses to each of the ten delegates to the State Convention; and that the remaining \$50 allowed in the budget should be divided among as many alternates as cared to go, with a maximum of \$20 to any one person. Mrs. Lehmann agreed to fill out the list from names suggested, up to 10 delegates and 9 alternates.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda V. Spaul
Secretary

April, 1955

Annual Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The annual meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was called to order by Mrs. Christie, President, at 1:45 PM, Monday, April 11, 1955, in Lois Duran Hall, with over 25 members present.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Mar. 1, 1955		\$ 1103.20
Deposits		
Publications	36.71	<u>36.71</u>
		1139.91
Disbursements		
Publications	20.51	
Pledge	400.00	
Meetings	15.00	
D. Chair Exp.	25.95	
	<u>461.46</u>	461.46
Balance, April 1, 1955		\$ 678.45
	Less reserve	<u>512.15</u>
	Excess for 1954-55	166.30
	Total reserve	\$ 678.45

She reminded the members that the dues were now payable for the new fiscal year. She then read the Treasurer's annual report showing a balance of \$166.30 over expenses for the year, largely to the credit of Mrs. McLaughlin and her finance committee. She explained the policy of holding a sum of about \$500 as a reserve to balance fluctuations in the receipt of income.

Mrs. McLaughlin presented the 1955-56 budget as proposed by the budget committee. Explanation was given for the increase in our pledge to State, and the reduction of the the figure of income derived from dues. Mrs. Bronson moved, and Mrs. Grannis seconded, that the budget be adopted as read. The motion was carried.

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coming referendum, April 16th.

After an interesting question period, Mrs. Christie thanked Mr. Lindsay and the membership turned to the adoption of a local agenda. Mrs. Holt read the Board's proposals:

- I. That the League support a recreation program and building suitable to the needs of Lake Forest.
- II. That the League study city planning for Lake Forest, particularly in relation to the public schools and conservation.

Mrs. Holt moved that the proposed agenda be accepted. Mrs. Bell seconded the motion which was carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Calvin Trowbridge and Mrs. Arthur Rooney.

Respectfully submitted,

Luanne S. Spub
Secretary

May, 1955

Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, on Monday, May 2, 1955, at 1:45 PM, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding. There were over 80 members and guests present.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, April 1, 1955		\$ 678.45
Deposits		
Dues	182.00	182.00
		860.45
Disbursements		
Meetings	11.00	
Action		
Miscellaneous		
Bank charge	25.50	
Balance, May 1, 1955		\$ 823.95
Less Reserve		678.45

Mrs. Steiner, Chairman of Membership, welcomed the members and guests, and announced that she would remain at the Membership table after the meeting to answer questions about the League, and assist anyone wishing to join.

Mrs. Christie announced two College Chapel meetings at Reid Memorial Chapel, Middle Campus: one at 9:25 AM, May 10th, at which Mr. Julian H. Levi, Executive Director of the South East Chicago Commission would speak on the work of the Commission and its plans and program; and the next at 9:25 AM, May 26th, at which Mr. Joseph D. Lohman, Cook County Sheriff, would speak on juvenile delinquency problems.

Mrs. George B. Rogers described a meeting she had attended of the Illinois Commission for Constitutional Revision to see what could be done about the current proposal to redistrict the State which threatened to

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sabotage the purpose of the Reapportionment Amendment.

Mrs. Rooney announced she had available two pamphlets: "Debt Management", and "Budgetary Reform", which anyone interested could obtain from her.

Mrs. Christie reminded the membership of the call for action on the Broyles Bills, and announced an new call on House Bill 17, amending the laws regulating absentee voting for the Physically incapacitated. She then introduced our speaker, Mayor Elliot Donnelley, whose subject was City Planning, Item I on our League's current agenda. Mr. Donnelley outlined the planning for the present and projected growth of Lake Forest in terms of land use and zoning, including an evaluation of the needs for improvement in such facilities as parks, schools, water, streets, public buildings and sewers.

Mrs. Christie thanked Mr. Donnelley for his comprehensive and informative analysis, and adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Robert Lehmann and Mrs. Edward Chainski.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian S. Spind

Secretary

May, 1955

Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. John Nagel at 10:00AM on Monday, May 23, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Hixon, Brown, Christie, Lehmann, Holt, Buchen, Bentley, Baird, Steiner, Rogers, Bowen, Stickney, Nagel, Glore, Andrus, Cordray, Mosey and Spiel.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen read the Treasurer's report showing a balance May 1st of \$153.38 plus the reserve of \$678.45 - total of \$831.83. She announced that there were five new members and one resignation since April, and that about one half of the membership had paid their current dues. She suggested sending second notices about dues to the remaining members. The Board agreed that she do so at her earliest convenience.

The Treasurer for the Handbook read the report of receipts for advertisements and publication expenses, showing a balance of \$263.10. It was agreed to postpone decision as to the disposal of this balance until the Board should consider the issuing of a supplement. Mrs. Christie asked the members to keep this mind for the June meeting.

The Board then considered the request of the Chamber of Commerce for copies of the handbook to distribute along with their letters to new residents. It was suggested a note be inserted telling how to join the League. Mrs. Lehmann moved a form be written to insert in Facts for Lake Foresters, stating that the League was open to every woman in the community; that the Handbook was published as a public service; and that announcements of meetings could be found in the Lake Forester. Mrs. Baird seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie then briefly outlined Board Responsibility for the new members with emphasis on the following points:

1. That each should have a copy of the new Local Leaders Handbook.
2. That each member should have a copy of the Budget.

3. That they should retain their copies of the National and Illinois Voters, and the National Standing Orders
That the National and State Legislative News Letters were invaluable tools in their programs.
4. That they should keep a file of their activities to hand on to their successors.
5. And that Membership and Program Making were responsibilities of the Board as a whole, rather than just the individual chairmen.

She then announced that the program for the June 6th Membership meeting ~~xxx~~, at the home of Mrs. Lehmann, was being planned by Mesdames Welles, Andrus and Nagel, on a review of the United Nations, and that it would also include a report on the Convention in the form of a panel conducted by the delegates.

Mrs. Baird described her plans for issuing the Bulletin each month, sometime between the Board meetings and the following Membership meeting. She emphasized, therefore, her dependence on receiving information from Chairmen at each Board meeting. It was agreed that the June issue would include the Chairmen's Annual Reports as well as their plans for the future, even though this would make the first issue of the Bulletin larger than would ~~now~~ mally be anticipated.

There then followed a discussion and evaluation of impressions of the State Convention by the delegates for the benefit of the other Board members.

Mrs. Christie announced an open meeting to be held May 24th by the North Shore Office of the League of Women Voters at which Messrs. Ashley Guthrie, Stanley Befge, and William J. Hagenah would discuss north shore area transportation problems.

The Board decided to postpone action on a request from Mrs. Lowrie of Deerfield to speak to us on the subject of the Toll Road.

They also decided to authorize Mrs. Cordray to work out arrangements in connection with a letter from the College involving changes in the plans for our use of Durand Hall next winter.

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Mrs. Steiner described her plans for Membership in proposing to send out a questionnaire letter for the purpose of ascertaining their interests and suggestions for the planning of the programs. Mrs. Brown moved that Mrs. Steiner and her Co-chairman, Mrs. Suter, proceed with these plans and be authorized the use of sufficient money to cover the cost out of our Printing fund. Mrs. Rogers seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Stickney outlined the plans for starting community study groups on the Principles of American Liberty as proposed through two meetings of her committee; particularly in relation to the first step proposed of establishing ~~an advisory~~ planning committee of the heads of local organizations. She read the list of names suggested to be asked to be members of this committee. Mrs. Christie asked the Board to call Mrs. Stickney if they had any additional names to suggest.

The Board suggested Mrs. Stickney try to get Mr. Johnson, President of Milwaukee-Downer College as our speaker for the October meeting. Mrs. ~~XXXX~~ Christie asked the Board to consider other alternatives for this and the November and December meetings, as well as proceeding with plans for their workshops. It was agreed the June Board meeting would be on the 13th at the home of Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. Bentley asked the Board's opinion on continuing workshops on Conservation with the hope of re-introducing it on the National agenda next year. It was suggested she ascertain the interest of the Membership at the next regular meeting.

It was agreed to have the Treasurer send \$6.50 to each delegate at the state convention to fill out the balance of \$20 allowed for their expenses.

Mrs. Christie reminded the Board of the call for action on the Broyles bills. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria S. Spel
Secretary

June, 1955

Regular Membership Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held Monday, June 6, 1955, at 4:45 PM in the home of Mrs. Robert Lehmann. There were about 50 members present.

Mrs. Lehmann, Vice-president, called the meeting to order in the temporary absence of Mrs. Christie.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, May 1, 1955		\$ 153.38
Receipts		
Dues	252.00	
Finance	13.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>27.00</u>	
		<u>292.00</u>
		445.38
Disbursements		
Meetings	5.00	
Publications	34.51	
Delegates	207.00	
Printing	29.15	
Miscellaneous	3.00	
Bank charge	<u>1.02</u>	
		<u>279.68</u>
Budget balance, June 1, 1955		\$ 165.70
Reserve		<u>678.45</u>
Bank balance, June 1, 1955		\$ 844.15

She reminded the members that dues were now payable.

Mrs. Lehmann announced a call for action to write our State representatives against H.B. 539, calling for censorship of textbooks.

Mrs. George Steiner, Membership Chairman, called attention to the questionnaire letters she had sent out, and asked the members cooperation in filling these out and returning them as soon as possible.

Mrs. Roger Baird described the ~~XXXXX~~ Bulletin which, starting next September, would be issued monthly instead of the cards. She said one issue containing a summary of the work accomplished during the past season, notices, current agenda items, and a list of the new Board members

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and regular members, would be sent out shortly, and then none until September, unless there should be a call for action during the summer. She requested the membership to take notice of and keep these bulletins as their source of information on meetings and workshops..

In the absence of Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Holt announced the reorganization of the Conservation study group in an effort to submit this as an item for the national agenda at the convention next May. She said they would have a meeting during the summer, and asked those interested in attending to sign up with her.

Mrs. Lehmann then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Welles who, with Mrs. Andrus and Mrs. Nagel, had prepared the balance of our program in the form of a quiz, with prizes, on the United Nations. Mrs. Welles announced that the League of Women Voters of Illinois, at their convention, had received a citation in the form of a plaque for ten years of outstanding service in behalf of the United Nations. The membership then proceeded to answer the questions on the quiz sheets. The winners were Mrs. Roger Bronson, Mrs. Ernest Johnson, and Mrs. David Stickney.

Mrs. Christie then resumed the Chair, thanking Mrs. Welles, Mrs. Andrus and Mrs. Nagel for their preparation of a most interesting program.

She then briefly described the State Convention in Urbana attended by 9 delegates from the Lake Forest League, (Herself, Mrs. Lehmann, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Holt, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Glore, Mrs. Andrus and Mrs. Spiel) and called attention to the display of the delegates' portfolio. In the interest of time she asked the members to ask further about the convention from the delegates ^{themselves} during the tea to follow.

She thanked Mrs. Lehmann for the use of her home and for presiding at the first part of the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Our hostesses were Mrs. William Odell and Mrs.

Calvin Trowbridge.

Respectfully submitted,

Leanne S. Spiel
Secretary

June, 1955

Board Meeting

Lake Forest League of Women Voters

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Granger Brown, at 10:30 AM, Monday June 13, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Reilly, Lehmann Holt, Baird, Nagel, Stickney, Steiner Rogers, Buchen, Glore, Hoy, Brown, Quinlan, Bowen Christie and Spiel.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved with one correction.

Mrs. Bowen read the Treasurer's report which was approved as read showing a balance June 1, 1955 of \$ 313.34.

Following a discussion on the subject, Mrs. Steiner moved that the Treasurer make an additional payment on our pledge to State of one half the amount remaining for this year. Mrs. Reilly seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie introduced Mrs. ~~Eonest~~ Hoy, Corresponding Secretary, to the rest of the Board members. She asked the Board's approval in paying the expenses of having the College mimeograph the questionnaire on the United Nations used at the June 6th Membership Meeting. Mrs. Lehmann moved the Treasurer take \$10.70, or a little more if necessary, to pay this expense out of Printing. Mrs. Stickney seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Steiner reported she had received about 50 replies on her questionnaire letters to the membership. She had sent postcards and telephoned the remainder with the help of Mrs. Buchen. She suggested dividing the list ^{by name} with an active and inactive interest, based on their response to the questions, so that those with a less active interest would not continue to be called by the Chairmen. It was suggested that Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Roberts as Chairmen of the National and State Continuing Responsibilities respectively, create jobs for new members by calling those interested to be in charge of the separate items.

The Board approved Mrs. Christie's suggestion to send the United

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Nations Questionnaire of the June 6th meeting to Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Phillips as an idea for study group meetings.

Mrs. Christie, seconded by Mrs. Brown, stressed the importance to new Board members of keeping files and notes up to date as aid in filling out their annual reports so that these might reflect more adequately the efforts made and the work accomplished. She also emphasized the importance of appointing someone to cover meetings on their items during the summer, if they should be unable to do so themselves. She reminded the Board of the call for action to write our State Representatives against ~~xx~~ H.B. 539 calling for censorship of textbooks.

Discussion was then raised on whether to publish a new issue or supplement to the Handbook, to keep up to date with changes in local officers. Mrs. Lehmann moved we publish the Handbook every other year, with no supplement this year. Mrs. Buchen seconded the motion which was carried. It was suggested that in future issues it be noted that the up to date list for alternate years could be obtained at our City Hall. Mrs. Christie said that Miss Helen Cory at the High School had requested that The Cellar be listed in our next issue.

Consideration was then given to the appointees from the Board to the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Buchen moved and Mrs. Rogers seconded that Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Spiel be appointed. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Baird described her plans for the Bulletin to be sent out in the next few days, briefly describing the contents to include such items as: a summary of work accomplished in lieu of the Chairmen's annual reports; general meetings, workshops, member participation; a list of the new Board and regular members; notices of work underway; and a reminder to pay dues. Mrs. Christie reminded the Chairmen to notify Mrs. Baird of thier plans, during the summer, for the next Bulletin to come out around September 15th.

Mrs. Stickney announced that the Director of Public Relations for Milwaukee Downer College had said that Dr. Johnson, the President, would be

happy to be our speaker at our October meeting, and that the fee would be \$100. She asked the Board's approval. Mrs. Bowen moved that we have Dr. Johnson as our speaker for the October 3rd Regular Meeting on the Freedom Agenda. Mrs. Brown seconded the motion which was carried. Mrs. Stickney then discussed her plans for publicity and public relations for this program through the formation of an advisory committee and an attempt to stimulate the interest of other local organizations.

The Board approved that the Nominating Committee consider the appointment of a Chairman and committee (possibly from among past Presidents) to establish a platform of Continuing Responsibilities for our local League: to include such items as the Handbook, Education, etc.

It was agreed that the September Board meeting would be held on the 12th at the home of Mrs. Spiel.

Mrs. Christie stated the College proposed to hold an Institute in November on disarmament, entitled, "Roads to Survival", with such speakers as Mr. Oppenheimer, Gen. Clarke, Mr. Lodge and Mr. Stassen. She asked the Board to consider whether we should join them, inasmuch as this particular topic would not be covered under our current agenda. Mrs. Steiner moved that Mrs. Christie be authorized to proceed with negotiations with the College for our participation in the Institute. Mrs. Baird seconded the motion which was carried.

The Chairmen were urged to consider and organize their plans during the summer for meetings and workshops to be gotten under way this coming fall.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion S. Spiel
Secretary. ✓

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Robert Spiel at 10:00 AM on Monday, September 12, 1955 with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding:

Present were Mesdames: Bowen, Hoy, Brown, Baird, Nagel, Glore, Lehmann, Andrus, Roberts, McLaughlin, Smith, Buchen, Reilly, Stickney, Bentley, Hodgkins, Mosey, Holt, Christie, Suter and Spiel. (3)

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Aug. 1, 1955		\$ 342.81
Receipts		
Dues	7.00	<u>7.00</u>
		349.81
Disbursements		
Publications	4.00	
Bank charges	<u>4.45</u>	
		<u>4.45</u>
Balance, Sept. 1, 1955		\$ 345.36

Mrs. Ernest Hoy, Corresponding Secretary, reported on the need for a new method of handling the mailing for the Bulletins to be sent out in place of the cards. She stated a postal permit could be obtained for \$10.00 and the Bulletins stamped by machine for an annual fee of \$10.00, providing there were at least 200 pieces. The other alternative would be the use of 2¢ envelopes. Mrs. Brown moved and Mrs. Bentley seconded that Mrs. Hoy and Mrs. Baird be authorized to find the most economical way to handle the mailing. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Baird asked the Chairmen's cooperation in handing her their material, as soon as possible, for the next issue of the Bulletin which she hoped to be able to send out about ten days before the October 3rd meeting. She said she would appreciate a written note from each Chairman ~~and~~ at each Board meeting concerning information on their meetings and workshops for subsequent issues of the Bulletin, as the printing would take 7 to 10 days.

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
"Principles of American Liberty"

August 22, 1955

ADVISORY GROUP

MISS LILACE R. BARNES
MISS EDITH DICK
MISS JULIA MAE HAMILTON
MRS. FRANK P. NIXON
MR. W. PAUL LEBOI
MR. GLEN A. LLOYD
MR. ALBERT B. PATTOU
MR. HERMON DUNLAP SMITH
MR. MARSHALL C. STRENGER
DR. FRANK H. TOWNSEND
MRS. EDWIN W. WINTER

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Spaul,

The Lake Forest League of Women Voters is planning to initiate a series of discussion groups this fall on "Principles of American Liberty". This is a subject in which many organizations are interested, including the American Association of University Women, the American Bar Association, the DAR, the American Legion, Rotary and Lions Clubs, as well as church and library organizations.

The planning committee hopes to have groups of people consisting of ten to twelve couples who will meet one night a week for several weeks in different peoples' houses to discuss such questions as: Has our concern for safeguarding the security of the nation resulted in curtailment of individual liberties? Can the historic rights guaranteed us by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights be preserved while world tensions and fear persist? What are the earmarks of a free society, and how does our society measure up today? What is the relationship between individual liberty and the public interest?

Carefully selected reading material will be available, and each group will have two discussion leaders. The committee hopes that you will lend your house for these meetings and act as host and hostess during the evening, and that you will come to a meeting of all leaders and hosts and hostesses at my house, 1298 North Green Bay Road, on Tuesday, September 13th, at 8:00 P.M. At that time we will look over the material prepared for study, and you will be asked to suggest names of people who you think would be interested in the discussions.

We hope that you will be able to join us in this exciting project which has already aroused enthusiastic response in many communities throughout the country. Please indicate your interest on the enclosed card and mail it at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. D. W. Stickney
(Mrs. David W. Stickney) /
Chairman of the Committee on
"Principles of American Liberty"
Lake Forest League of Women Voters

Mrs. John Suter, Co-chairman for Membership, asked the Board's cooperation in an effort to get a large attendance for the October 3rd meeting.

Mrs. McLaughlin, Finance Chairman, announced the opening of her campaign for October 1st. She asked the Board's cooperation in letting her know of any new residents who might be interested in contributing.

Mrs. Christie announced, with regret the resignation of Mrs. Reilly as Chairman of the Recreation Committee, and asked Mrs. Nagel as Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the report of her committee's suggestion for someone to fill this vacancy. Mrs. Nagel reported that her committee had agreed to propose first Mrs. Charles H. Brown, and if she could not serve, second, Mrs. Victor Frary. Mrs. Hodgkins moved that these be asked, in that order, to be Chairman of the Recreation Committee. Mrs. Buchen seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Stickney described her progress on the Freedom Agenda program. She stated that during the summer a card file of those interested had been accumulated, and that 80 letters had been sent out on behalf of the planning committee (copy attached to the minutes) asking for volunteers as hosts and/or discussion leaders for the project. She stated they would hold two meetings for this group to organize the formation of the various discussion groups and at which Mr. Stickney and Mrs. Nagel would hold a model

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Mrs. Stickney urged the Board's cooperation in obtaining an excellent attendance at the October 3rd meeting at which Dr. John B. Johnson, Jr., President of Milwaukee-Downer College would be the speaker.

Discussion was raised as to whether this meeting should be held

at the Deerpath School (capacity 400) or in the sitting room of Lois Durand Hall (capacity 100). Mrs. Bowen moved and Mrs. Smith seconded that the meeting be held in the sitting room of Lois Durand Hall with tea to follow. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Christie urged the Board to read the six Freedom Agenda pamphlets published by the Carrie Chapman Catt Memorial Fund. Mrs. Stickney said these could be obtained in the office of Miss Margaret Wells on Market Square.

Mrs. Brown, Chairman of State Item I (Revision of the Revenue Article) announced her plans for study groups. She said they had had a planning meeting in June to divide the items to be discussed, review the material available, and set the agenda for three workshops to be held in October, starting on the 10th. She said she hoped to get Mr. Kenneth Clapper, a Danville lawyer, as speaker for the January meeting.

Mrs. Bentley reported that a letter had been sent to the State League and local Leagues to ascertain their interest in submitting Conservation as an item for the national agenda. She said there had been response from Maywood, Oak Park, River Forest, Wilmette and a Chicago League, and that it had been suggested a follow up be made in the form of a one day workshop among those interested, possibly in the form of a panel or round-table discussion. She suggested the November membership meeting be on this subject, in as much as the initial deadline for submitting items for the agenda was November 30th. Mrs. Baird moved that Mrs. Bentley be authorized to move ahead with other Leagues to determine the interest of the membership, and that it be left to her discretion as to making the proposal for the national agenda. Mrs. Roberts seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Nagel agreed to ask Mr. Case, our new Recreation Director, if he could be our speaker for the December meeting.

Mrs. Christie urged the Board 's attendance at the State Program Meeting in Chicago November 1st, the speakers to be announced.

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Mrs. Hodgkins suggested that the dinner meeting at the Presbyterian Church on October 6th at which Mr. Edward Logelin of U.S. Steel would be the speaker on *Problems of the Iron & Steel Industry* would be of interest to League members.

Mrs. Christie reported that the College's plans for their Public Affairs Institute had not crystallized as anticipated, there had been difficulty in obtaining the proposed speakers. She said that the subject matter was tending more toward our Freedom Agenda project, with emphasis on academic freedom, freedom in education and government, etc.

The Board discussed what should be done by the League, locally, in behalf of United Nations Day, October 24th. Mrs. Lehmann moved that 250 of the new United Nations pamphlets, costing \$10.00, be distributed at the October meeting, with any left over being sent for use in the schools. Mrs. Glore seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Christie reminded the Chairmen of the importance of keeping their reports and accounts up to date, and of giving Mrs. Mosey information on workshops and meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Hall
Secretary.

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM, Monday, Oct. 3, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding. There were about 70 members present.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report, which was approved as read:

Balance, Sept. 1, 1955	\$ 345.36
Receipts	
Dues	14.00
Finance campaign	25.00
Publications	<u>13.00</u>
	52.00
	<u>397.36</u>
Disbursements	
Publications	14.85
Pledge	218.75
Action	<u>2.00</u>
	<u>235.60</u>
Balance, Oct. 1, 1955	\$ 161.76

Mrs. McLaughlin, Finance Chairman, announced her letters had been sent out to the membership, and asked for a generosity equal to that of last year, pointing out our present low balance, and the need for an increase in our help to State.

Mrs. Christie asked the members who had not already filled out their questionnaire letters, to get another copy from the Membership table. She called attention to the Bulletin now being issued monthly instead of the cards, asked those wanting to submit items for it to contact Mrs. Roger Baird. She also asked the membership to note the United Nations pamphlets being distributed in commemoration of United Nations Day, October 24th.

Mrs. Buchen, Voters Service Chairman, called attention to the election being held October 8th, to fill aldermanic vacancies in the 1st and 4th wards. She asked for volunteers to help telephone the residents of these wards, in an attempt to overcome the apathy which led to only 235

votes being cast in the city elections last spring.

Mrs. Granger Brown announced she was starting workshops on the Revision of the Illinois Revenue Article, at her home, Monday Oct. 10th, at 1:45 Pm, with two more to follow on succeeding Mondays in the morning. she asked those interested in participating to sign up with her.

Mrs. Christie then presented Mrs. David Stickney, Chairman of National Item I, Individual Liberties, who introduced our speaker, Dr. John B. Johnson, President of Milwaukee-Downer College. Dr. Johnson's subject, "Conditions of Freedom", pointed out the necessity for a rational consideration of the opposite point of view in order to arrive at a "living truth"; man's tendency to lean on dead dogma based on prejudice and intellectual apathy; and the dangers inherent in a sacrifice of freedom of expression to security.

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After thanking Dr. Johnson for his stimulating talk, Mrs. Stickney called attention to the chart showing the times and places for the discussion group meetings on the "Principles of American Liberty" to start this week. She urged the members to sign up, and get the Freedom Agenda pamphlets.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Keith Carpenter and Mrs. Robert Andrus.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Spier
Secretary

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Board Meeting

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in the home of Mrs. Roger Baird, at 10:00AM on Monday, Oct. 10, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding:

Present were Mesdames: Rogers, Bowen, Hodgkins, Stickney, Roberts, Quinlan, Wilson, Steiner, Nagel, Brown, Baird, Christie, Glore, Lehmann, Hixon, McLaughlin, Holt, Buchen, Cordray, Bentley, and Spiel.

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read, showing a balance Oct. 1, 1955 of \$161.76. Mrs. Brown moved and Mrs. Steiner seconded that the balance of the Handbook account be transferred to the general account. The motion was carried.

Mrs. McLaughlin reported that \$219.00 had been received from the Finance campaign, and asked her committee to send in their contributions from non-members as soon as received.

Mrs. Christie introduced Mrs. Theodore Wilson, Co-chairman for Publicity. She asked that Mrs. Mosey be complemented on her excellent cover for the Lake Forester on the Freedom Agenda.

Mrs. Nagel reported that (in as much as Mrs. Charles H. Brown felt unable to serve as Chairman of the Recreation Committee) it was the suggestion of the Nominating Committee that Mrs. Edward K. Welles (or Mrs. Calvin Trowbridge) be asked to serve as Chairman of the Recreation Committee. Mrs. Hodgkins moved that the Board follow the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Buchen seconded the motion which was carried.

In the absence of Mrs. Cordray (temporary) Mrs. Bowen explained that the amount of \$3.00 paid for maid service for meetings at the College was not in keeping with current rates, and asked the Board's decision as to raising this amount to \$4.50 or \$5.00. Mrs. Roberts moved, seconded by Mrs. Lehmann that the League pay \$5.00 for maid service for meetings at the College this year. The motion was carried.

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Mrs. Steiner reported that seven old members had gathered for lunch with six prospective members before the October 3rd meetings; that out of these six, three had joined the League. She said that it would be her thought to continue this program each month by those interested in Membership, providing it could be arranged, perhaps with the aid of a fund, so as not to be too much of an imposition on any individual members. It was suggested an interested member, bringing a guest, provide sandwiches for two, thereby leaving the hostess the more simple task of providing only coffee and dessert. It was agreed that, if necessary, more money from the budget should be allowed from the membership program. Mrs. Steiner said she proposed to change the name tags used at the membership meetings to card-pins and issue them only to new members and Board members. She said she was most anxious that jobs be found for the new members, and proposed to follow up the lists of membership interest she had sent to the Chairmen with an indication as to which were the new ones. In response to her questionnaire letters, Mrs. Steiner stated that out of 75 replies received, 34 had shown a preference for national items, 9 for state items, and 21 for local.

Mrs. Christie announced that Mrs. David Levinson had been appointed our regional chairman from the State Board, and would be present at our next Board meeting.

Mrs. Buchen and Mrs. Lehmann^{REPORT} on the voting of October 8th to fill the aldermanic vacancies in the first and fourth wards; that thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Buchen's telephone committee, 304 votes had been cast in the first ward, where there was a contest.

Mrs. Buchen reported on the interview with Mrs. Church, held by the Leagues of the 13th Congressional District. It was decided that a summary of this report be included in the Bulletin, and that it be left to Mrs. Wilson to decide whether it should not also be published in the Lake Forester. Mrs. Baird agreed to send about 70 extra copies to Mrs.

McLaughlin to send to non-member contributors.

Mrs. Lehmann asked those interested in attending the State Program Meeting in Chicago, November 1st, to sign up with her.

Mrs. Baird stated that as the next regular meeting would not be until November 7th, she could still accept items for the Bulletin through Friday of this week. She asked for comments and questions. She said that at times, in the interest of space, it was necessary for her to change or edit certain items, and asked the chairmen, if they did not want any cut or change, to please so note.

Mrs. Glore reported that the remainder of the United Nations pamphlets distributed at the October meeting, had been sent to the schools, and that it was felt better to send fewer copies to more schools rather than the reverse. She also announced that a Farm Survey as sequel to the Industrial Survey made last spring would be launched soon; that there were seven farmers in the Wauconda district to be interviewed, and asked for volunteers to help with the project. She said a World Trade meeting could probably be arranged for February or March, and proposed to start workshops in January.

Mrs. Stickney announced that 115 people had signed up for the discussion groups on Principles of American Liberty (among them Mr. and Mrs. ~~Robert Oliver~~ ^{Robert Oliver}, Commander of the local post of the American Legion). She said the project had also been announced through the American Association of University Women, the Kiwanis, the Woman's Club, etc., and called attention to her chart showing times and places of the meetings with hosts and discussion leaders. She also showed a poster, 12 copies of which had been made by Mr. Henry Tideman for display around town. It was recommended a note of thanks be written to him.

Mrs. Bentley reported on the panel discussion on Conservation held in Chicago for neighboring Leagues interested in introducing this item for the National agenda. It was decided that a similar program be presented

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at the November 7th membership meeting, which must also include a discussion of other items to be presented, as the whole must be submitted with exact wording by November 30th. It was felt space should be given in the Bulletin explaining the importance of this meeting as well as the program making processes of the League so that the membership would come prepared to make and discuss various proposals. Mrs. Bentley asked the Board to attend her program planning meeting October 20th.

Mrs. Bowen requested the Chairmen to send their bills directly to her.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Spaul.
Secretary

Regular Membership Meeting

A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held in Lois Durand Hall, College Campus, at 1:45 PM, Monday, Nov. 7, 1955, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding, and about 50 members present.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved

Receipts		
Dues	35.00	
Finance	965.00	
Publications	41.50	
Miscellaneous	<u>15.00</u>	
		<u>1056.50</u>
		<u>1218.26</u>

Balance, Nov. 1, 1955	989.72
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She also reported for Mrs. McLaughlin on the Finance Drive that to date (Nov. 7, 1955) \$584.50 had been received from members, and \$660 from non-members, making a total of \$1244.50.

Mrs. Christie announced, on behalf of the College, a symposium to be held November 10th at 8:00 PM in Durand Institute, between Mr. Max Ascoli and Mr. C. Wayland Brooks on "Are Our Freedoms in Danger".

Mrs. Steiner called attention to the change in the name-tags being worn by the members of the Board and the new members. She announced two orientation workshops to be held in her home November 8th and 15th at 10:00 AM. She asked those interested in attending to sign a paper being passed.

Mrs. Granger Brown announced that the group studying the Illinois

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Revenue Article, had not finished all the material in three sessions, and had decided to have at least one more meeting Monday, November 14th, at 2 PM in the home of Mrs. Philip Shambaugh. Those interested in obtaining the workshop material could get it at the membership table.

Mrs. Edward Welles, Recreation Chairman, said that Mr. C. C. Case, Director of Recreation for the City of Lake Forest, would be our speaker at the December meeting, and proposed holding two workshops on this subject November 21st ~~and 28th~~.

Mrs. Christie then presented Mrs. Frank P. Hixon and Mrs. Granger Brown who outlined the history of the formation of the League and its program from the last Women's Suffrage meeting of 35 years ago, and the development of its present program making proseedures through the recommendations sent in at this time by the local Leagues, and finally decided upon at the National Convention in the spring.

The meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Bentley, Conservation Chairman, who with her committee (Mesdames: Rooney, Haskins, Hodges, DeLong, and Miss Hamilton) presented a panel discussion "From Compost to Congress" emphasizing the need for stronger national conservation measures, and the League's ability to contribute sound recommendations based on a thorough study of the problems.

The membership then turned to consideration of our proposals for the National Agenda.

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It was moved, seconded and carried, that the following items for the national agenda be submitted to the National Board, in this order:

Mrs. Bentley
Mrs. Bronson, 2nd
unanimous

1. Study of, and support for, a long-term governmental policy for the conservation of renewable natural resources - with emphasis on the coordination of government agencies involved.

Mrs. Welles
Mrs. Hodgkins, 2nd
Y37-N4

2. that the World Trade item be continued: Support of U.S. trade policies that will help solve national and international economic problems.

Mrs. Murphy
Mrs. Chainski, 2nd
Y17-N14

3. Study of proposed means of development and peacetime uses for atomic power; the extent to which knowledge and techniques should be shared with other nations, and development subsidized.

Mrs. Stickney moved that
Mrs. Burd
unanimous

the topic under Item II on our Current Agenda be placed on Continuing Responsibilities in 1956-58 as: "Protection of our individual liberties as established in the Bill of Rights and consonant with the public interest."

Mrs. Lehmann moved that
Mrs. Roberts, 2nd
N20-Y9

the following item be submitted for the national agenda:
A possible survey of the whole federal civil service, using the recommendations of the second Hoover Commission and emphasizing economy and overhaul of civil service.

After considerable discussion this was voted down, not because the group was not interested in such a study, but felt that proposing a fourth item might weaken the first two in which the majority were most interested.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Edward Chainski and Mrs. Robert Buckley.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna V. Spier
Secretary.

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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was called to order by Mrs. Christie, President, in her home at 10:00 AM, Monday, Nov, 14, 1955.

Present were Mesdames: Quinlan, Baird, Christie, Lehmann, Bowen, Stickney, Steiner, McLaughlin, Wilson, Brown, Hoy, Rogers, Hodgkins, Glore, Nagel, Holt, Bentely, Roberts and Spiel. (19)

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved with one correction.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read showing a working balance of \$311.27 and a reserve of \$678.45, making a total of \$989.72 for November 1, 1955.

Mrs. McLaughlin, Finance Chairman, reported receipt of \$1534.50 to date, with \$680 from members and \$854.50 from non-members.

Mrs. Steiner asked the Board members to please return their name-pins, worn at the membership meetings, to her at the close of each meeting. She described the first orientation workshop at her home November 8th at which members of her committee had ^{presented} ~~xxxxxxx~~ a skit on League activities prepared by the State League, after which the national, state and local agenda items had been discussed. She proposed to have her second meeting November 15th consist of a history of the National League presented by Mrs. Hixon, followed by an explanation of our program making procedures. She announced the lunch for new and prospective members before the Dec. 5th membership meeting would be held in the home of Mrs. Nagel. She said she would appreciate it if the Chairmen would return to her the names of the new members interested in their items, with notes as to who had been called and who had participated in the workshops.

It was also suggested that the interest of some old members might be renewed if they were also invited to the luncheons before the membership meetings.

Mrs. Christie then reported on the decision taken at the membership

November 7th regarding our recommendations for the national agenda: There had been four items proposed: 1. Conservation, 2. World Trade, 3. Atomic Energy, and 4. Civil Service, of which the first three had been voted to be sent in to the National Board. The fourth, however, would be mentioned in the letter which Mrs. Christie proposed to read at our next meeting.

She reminded the Board of the Recreation workshop Monday, Nov. 21st and urged their attendance in preparation for the December membership meeting, at which Mr. Case would be the speaker.

Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Steiner agreed to arrange additional workshops on the Illinois Revenue Article for those Board members and new members who had not been able to attend the first series.

Discussion was then raised on workshops and meeting programs for after the first of the year. Mrs. Gore agreed to start World Trade workshops in January with a speaker for February or March, and possibly in conjunction National Continuing Responsibilities. Mrs. Rogers felt there might be more material on the Judiciary by the next Board meeting to plan some program on that item. Consideration was also given to having a Voters Service meeting on Primaries, the Electoral College, and/or the Two Party System.

It was agreed that Mrs Cordray and Mrs. Lehmann would investigate the facilities at Ferry Hall to determine whether it would be advisable to have some of our membership meetings there instead of at the College.

Mrs. Christie passed a letter from Mrs. Lee explaining the sources of recent attacks upon the League in relation to the grant for the Freedom Agenda project having come from the Fund for the Republic. Mrs. Hodgkins was asked whether she could obtain additional copies of this letter for the members of the Board.

Mrs. Stickney reported that the discussion groups on the Principles of American Liberty were now covering the fifth and sixth pamphlets. She stated most groups would finish the material by Christmas, although some

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had indicated an interest in going on. She described the last pamphlet dealing with cases: some adapted from the U.S. Supreme court, some which had never become legal issues, and some which were purely imaginary.

Mrs. Hodgkins agreed to order 25 of these for Board Members. Mrs. Hodgkins also told the Board that copies of the new Illinois Senatorial District map were now available, and she asked the Chairmen to tell her as much in advance as possible of their needs for workshop material.

Discussion was raised as to the best method of distribution of "Do's and Don't's of Writing Congressmen", as an aid to the membership on calls for action. Mrs. Steiner moved and Mrs. Lehmann seconded that Mrs. Buchen, Voters' Service Chairman, be allotted funds to have these intructions as well as the names of representatives, mimeographed for distribution at meetings beginning after the first of the year. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Hoy described a machine called an Addresserette, available for about \$62, which she felt would greatly simplify the mechanics of sending out the Bulletin and any other notices, and pointed the desirability of the League's owning such a machine so as to relieve the necessity of depending on the convenience of others. Mrs. Baird moved that Mrs. Hoy be authorized to proceed with buying an Addresserette out of reserve funds, and proceed with setting up the system. Mrs. Brown seconded the motion which was carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann S. Spier

Secretary

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A regular meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held Monday, Dec. 5, 1955 at 1:45 PM in Lois Durand Hall, with Mrs. Lehmann, Vice-President, presiding. There were over 40 members present.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Bowen submitted the Treasurer's report which was approved as read:

Balance, Nov. 1, 1955		¢ 989.72
Receipts		
Dues	21.00	
Finance drive	722.50	
Publications	56.65	
Miscellaneous	<u>1.50</u>	
		801.65
		<u>1791.37</u>
Disbursements		
Meetings	15.00	
Publications	98.03	
Action	8.75	
Printing	17.60	
Miscellaneous	<u>3.50</u>	
		142.88
Balance, Dec. 1, 1955		¢ 1648.49
Reserve		<u>678.45</u>
Working balance		970.04

She also reported for the Finance Drive that ¢ 754.50 had been received from members, and ¢ 972.50 from non-members, making a total of ¢ 1727.00 to date.

Mrs. Granger Brown emphasized the importance of our next regular meeting on the Revenue Amendment, in as much as the League must ultimately decide whether or not to support this amendment, and be prepared to furnish all pertinent information to its local communities. She urged all members to read the workshop material available in the office of Miss Margaret Wells.

Mrs. Lehmann called attention to a paper being passed listing the various committees needing workers to assist in handling the National Convention in Chicago in April. She asked the members to sign up for jobs under the committee of their choice.

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She then introduced our speaker, Mr. C. C. Case, Director of Recreation for the City of Lake Forest. Mr. Case summarized the work accomplished so far in his meetings with the Recreation Board and the integration of the functions of this Board with the other departments of the city government. He then outlined the possible enlargements of our recreation program, emphasizing the ability of the Recreation Board to coordinate the already existing programs and facilities.

There followed a very interesting question period, after which Mrs. Lehmann thanked Mr. Case and adjourned the meeting for tea. Our hostesses were Mrs. Charles DeLong and Mrs. Frank Read.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucia S. Spink

Secretary

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LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters was held Monday, Dec. 12, 1955 in the home of Mrs. Ernest Hoy, with Mrs. Christie, President, presiding.

Present were Mesdames: Nagel, Hodgkins, Stickney, Buchen, Baird, Smith, Quinlan, Lehmann, Christie, Hoy, Holt, Glore, Andrus, Roberts, Steiner, Bentley, Mosey and Spiel. (18)

Mrs. Christie introduced Mrs. David Levinson, our regional advisor from the State Board.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's and Finance reports, not available at the time, have since being inserted, showing a bank balance of \$1648.49 as of Dec. 1, 1955 and contributions to the Finance Campaign to date totalling \$1837.00 : \$1002.50 from non-members, and \$834.50 from members.

Mrs. Christie described Mrs. Steiner's successful orientation meetings which equipped our new members with a fine understanding of the League's background and working methods. She also commended Mrs. Steiner and her committee for their program of luncheons before the meetings as an aid in making the new members feel at home, and suggested that the interest of some of our old members might be renewed in this way.

Mrs. Hoy reported on the addressograph that there was a second-hand one available at the Deerpath School; that the price would be determined by the turn-in value on the School's getting a new one. In the meantime we could use the one at the school by making our own set of plates.

Mrs. Baird announced that the deadline for the next issue of the Bulletin would be December 19th. She said she planned to have it include material on Mrs. Brown's Fiscal Structure workshops, and would also like to include any other workshops planned ahead even though they were not able to be given specific dates.

Mrs. Christie reminded the Board members to call Mrs. Lehmann

to sign up for committees for the National Convention, and suggested a notice to this effect be included in the Bulletin. She asked the Board's ~~xxx~~ cooperation in getting a large attendance at the January 9th meeting at which Mr. Kenneth Clapper would be the speaker on the Revenue Amendment. She stressed the importance of this meeting and a thorough understanding of the subject in view of the fact that the League should make a decision on this amendment by next fall. It was also suggested that Mrs. Brown contact representatives of other organizations to attend this meeting as a possible aid in future community education.

Mrs. Smith, City Planning Chairman, and Mrs. Glore, World Trade Chairman, agreed to work out the programs for the February and March meetings depending on the convenience of their proposed speakers. Mrs. Glore proposed to hold World Trade workshops in January and hoped to get Capt. William Mott as a speaker on the results of the trade survey which should be out after the first of the year. Mrs. Smith hoped to be able to get Mr. Earl Kribben in connection with the Fort Dearborn project which proposed planning as far north as the Wisconsin state line.

Mrs. Christie called attention to the National Program Record. Mrs. Hodgkins agreed to order copies of this for the Board members.

Discussion was raised on the content of a Voters Service meeting. Mrs. Smith moved that Mrs. Buchen meet with the Highland Park, Lake Bluff and Waukegan Leagues to exchange ideas on this subject. Mrs. Steiner seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Stickney announced that four of the discussion groups on Principles of American Liberty were going to continue in January, some of these using Dean Griswold's pamphlet on the fifth amendment, available in the office of Miss Margaret Wells.

Mrs. Levinson described her role as our regional advisor as an effort on the part of the State Board to exchange ideas between local Leagues for the solution of various problems; and that it was her function

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to report and advise when necessary, to intrepert the functions of the State Board, but not to take its place. She expressed an interest in the success of our Finance Campaign.

The Board then turned to a discussion of the best method of clearing up the confusion as to the League's stand in relation to the Recreation Program as brought out in the December 5th Membership meeting. Mrs. Hodgkins moved that the League's Recreation Committee hold another series of workshops before the end of our fiscal year. Mrs. Lehmann seconded the motion which was carried.

Mrs. Bentley reported on the Presidents Council Meeting in Chicago December 9th, with special attention to the problems of membership turnover and the orientation of new members.

Mrs. Hoy agreed to write Mr. Case thanking him for being our speaker at the December 5th meeting.

In answer to her question, Mrs. Smith was told that she could offer from \$10 to \$50 if necessary as an honorarium for a speaker on City Planning.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Spind
Recording Secretary.