

BOARD POLICIES
Of The League of Women Voters of Benton and Franklin Counties

Nonpartisan Policy: The League of Women Voters of Benton and Franklin Counties retains the responsibility to protect its nonpartisanship image in the community.

Therefore,

1. It shall be the responsibility of any board member filing for or appointed to a partisan elective office, other than precinct chair, to resign from the board, the conflict of interest being declared to the board in advance of the resignation. Reinstatement shall be at the discretion of the board.
2. The president(s) and voter service chair shall not publicly promote any party or candidate.
3. Other board members shall take care that at no time shall their political opinion be construed as League opinion.

Making Statements in League's Name: Statements must be submitted to the board beforehand. If the action falls between board meetings, the executive committee may approve the action of statement.

Executive Committee: The executive committee shall consist of the elected officers.

Membership in/Participation with Other Organizations: The League of Women Voters of Benton and Franklin Counties will not participate in a project until it has been approved by the board. The following factors should be considered:

1. project relation to governmental issues
2. membership interest
3. maintaining the nonpartisanship of League
4. fiscal obligations

Local Publications and Newsletter: Local publications will be approved by the board or a committee from the board, with final approval of all publications by the president or designee. The president or a designee is responsible for a final check on the newsletter.

Local Consensus Questions: The Board must approve consensus questions before the study committee submits them to the membership.

Fiscal Responsibilities: Registration fees and travel expenses for members attending workshops, and delegates attending Council/Convention, etc., will be paid as authorized by the board. Babysitting may be paid for members attending board meetings, units and committee meetings.

Official Correspondence: All letters utilizing the local League affiliation should be signed by the president(s) or by someone approved by the president(s) or board. When letters are sent to National and State Board members, a copy must also be sent to the local president and to the state office

Membership fees: New members will not owe dues in the following year if their initial dues were paid after February 1.

Policy Adoption: These policies will be reviewed every year following election of officers and directors, but may be changed at any board meeting by a majority vote of the board.

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On file with JMHobbs

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