

7. Name Changes: motion: to approve name change from LWV-White Bear Lake to White Bear Lake/North Oaks League of Women Voters.

Background Information

This requires approval by the state Board only. It's an obvious change for them. They are making no change in the basis of their organization.

motion: to approve name change from LWV-Anoka-Coon Rapids to LWV-Anoka-Blaine-Coon Rapids (LWV-ABC).

Background Information

Blaine merged last year. They have kept their membership up and are contributing well to the League. Since they are established as an integral part of that League, the name should reflect this.

8. Spring Hill Water Conference: motion: to approve sending Billie Franey as an LWVMN representative to the Spring Hill Water Conference at a cost of \$60 (overnight) or \$35 for daytime attendance.

Background Information

Conference will be held May 4-5 during LWVUS Convention, so Crampton will not be able to attend. The conference is entitled "Local Water Management: Issues in the '80s" and is sponsored by the Minnesota Water Planning Board.

DISCUSSION

1. "Coalition to Fight the New Right" - The League has been involved in an effort to form a Coalition to combat the efforts of "new right" groups. We are now being asked to officially join the organization. What are your recommendations?
2. FOCUSes - With Education tentatively scheduled for fall, should Transit be set for winter and "?" for spring?
3. Citizen Information - Is it appropriate to prepare a program and/or information on job-sharing and other League-supported legislation for local LWVs as well as organizations? Board members should be encouraged to share their thoughts on this portfolio with Bayless.
4. Council Announcements/Reminders - Remember that unless you have told Peggy otherwise, we are planning on you for Council. Peggy reminds us that at Council anything you want, you bring yourself, and that ice will be available in staff's quarters. Does the Board want to arrange a reception for local Leagues? Everyone could bring snack item(s) or beverages. Any other suggestions, concerns, questions?
5. Nuclear Issue/LWVUS Convention - Minnesota's stance at the national Convention re nuclear issue: As you know, National has recommended "no new program," just an updating on Human Resources positions and increased information on energy and nuclear. Our nuclear "position" has subtly changed during the past year, becoming somewhat more liberal, but still seemingly based on "no increased reliance." According to National, 50 to 100 LWVs (out of 700 or so responding) recommended nuclear as a new program. 300-350 recommended "Health Care"; 100-150, "Arms Control.) This leaves LWVMN with a decision to make - do we make a concerted push at National to make nuclear a new program? Make a Statement of Concern? Urge greatly increased emphasis (money, programs) on alternative forms of energy? Any ideas?

INFORMATION

1. Action (minutes in mailing)
2. OUTLOOK - As you may have noticed, the "Outlook Committee" never met. We found it premature to do an OUTLOOK now for distribution at Council. Upon further consideration, it seems to make sense to wait until after Council and national Convention, when additional information is available for planning next year. Perhaps OUTLOOK 1980-81 could replace the May BOARD MEMO and be mailed to all local Board members.