



Observer Reporting Form

Feature Evaluated	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting started on time?	X		
All members present?	X		
Members attentive?	X		
Did members appear to have done their "homework?"	X		
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
Agenda sent/posted 72 hours before?	X		
Agenda items clearly described what was to be discussed?	X		
Adequate opportunity for public input?			
Was there an appearance that some action items were discussed in closed rather than open session?		X	
Was background information available to the public?			
Facilities adequate? (room size, lighting, ventilation, speakers audible, accessible to handicapped)	X		

Were any issues on the agenda relevant to LWV positions or programs?

Although Ordinance R-11-1-301 passed, codifying the elimination of severance packages for county executives, there was considerable discussion about ways to obtain uniform policy beyond the executive office, specifically fee offices and court systems. Sherry Witt, Registrar of Deeds when asked, spoke against on behalf of that office. The League should pursue.

Gloria Ray is heading an ad hoc committee to explore options regarding the East Sector development plan. Of interest was the frequent mention of "sustainability" among the parties who have agreed to serve on this committee.

Objection by Anders, Smith, & Wright to having received the school board contract for the purchase of the L & N Station for the STEM Magnet School on the morning of the meeting seemed directed at the project itself instead. Discussion contentious (again!) over Commission/School Board boundaries. Enthusiastic support of STEM by McKenzie and Shouse.

Do you recommend League action on any of these issues? Possibly pursuing the application of the severance pay policy across the board.

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Other Concerns: Commission voted to permit the Sheriff's Department to absorb funds from the auction of crime-obtained goods into their budget. Why should those \$\$ not go into the General Fund?

Observer: M. Carini Meeting: Knox County Commission Date: 1/24/11