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THE
WOMAN'S ELECTORAL
LEAGUE
OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Officers for 1900.



Patroness—

LADY ONSLOW.

President—

MRS. FOULKES.

Vice-Presidents—

LADY FORREST, MRS. J. M. FERGUSON, MRS. LEAKE,
MRS. COWAN, MRS. WALTER JAMES,
MRS. C. E. CLARK.

General Secretary—

MISS DENBIGH.

Treasurer—

MRS. CUMMING.

Council—

MRS. MOSS

” W. PATERSON,
Cottesloe.

” PATTERSON,
Fremantle.

” A. E. MORGANS

” LAZARUS

MRS. THURSTON

” RUFFY HILL

MISS BUTLER

” CONS

” DEULACHER

RULES
OF THE
Woman's Electoral League
OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

I. The name of the Association shall be "THE WOMAN'S ELECTORAL LEAGUE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA."

II. The object of the League is to have the names of the women of Western Australia placed on the Electoral Rolls, and to secure for women equal legal and political rights with men.

III. The objects of the League shall be promoted by the formation of branches, the holding of public meetings, the delivery of lectures or addresses upon any topics dealing with "woman's political or legal position" generally, and by any other such means as the Council may from time to time approve.

IV. Any woman over the age of twenty-one agreeing to the objects of the League, on payment of the sum of one shilling annually to the Treasurer of the League, or of any branch, may become a member, and shall be entitled to attend and vote at all general meetings of the League.

V. A branch of the League may be formed in any district as soon as ten members are enrolled, such branch to be amenable to the Council, to elect its own officers, to manage its own local affairs, to be allowed to establish any rules with regard to fees, and to contribute sixpence per member annually to the general fund of the League.

VI. The headquarters of the League shall be in Perth. Members not associated with any branch shall pay their subscription direct to the Treasurer of the Council.

VII. The management of the League shall be vested in a President, six Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a General Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Council, the Council to consist of members and delegates. Members (not less than nine) to be elected at the annual general meeting of the League. Delegates to be elected by the branches as hereafter provided. Casual vacancies to be filled by the Council.

VIII. The Council shall have power to elect not more than three additional Vice-Presidents.

IX. The management of a branch shall be vested in a Committee, to be elected by members of the branch, who may also elect a delegate to represent them on the Council.

X. The President may, through the Secretary, call special meetings of the Council when she may deem it necessary, or in response to a written request of any three members of the Council. She shall perform all other duties usual to such office.

XI. The secretary of each Branch shall, during the last quarter of the League's financial year, send to the General Secretary of the League a complete list of the names and addresses of every member of the branch, accompanied by the remittance of sixpence for each member, as provided in Rule v. The League's financial year shall end on May 31st. The General Secretary of the League shall keep a register of all members of the League, and also arouse interest during the year by literature and correspondence with local branches.

XII. The Recording Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Council and keep a correct report of their proceedings. She shall send to each member of the Council a proper notice of each meeting, and designate in such notice the topics which are to be specially considered at the meeting. She shall apprise members of Committee of their appointments, and shall perform all other duties pertaining to that office.

XIII. The Treasurer shall collect and receive all monies due to the Council, and keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements, and present a detailed report thereof to each annual meeting. She shall pay no monies except on an order signed by the President and Secretary. The financial year shall terminate one week previous to the annual meeting, when the books will be closed.

XIV. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution except notice be first given to the Secretary one month prior to the general meeting at which such alteration is proposed to be made.

XV. General meetings may be held at any time at the direction of the Council.

XVI. All questions at any meeting of members or of the Council shall be determined by a majority of those present.

XVII. For general meetings the quorum shall be not less than twelve, and for the Council the quorum shall not be less than five.