



Woman's Exponent

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"Woman Suffrage Meeting: An Association for Utah"

"...Chairman asked the secretary to please read the Constitution of the National Woman Suffrage Association. Secretary read as desired.

CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This organization shall be called the National Woman Suffrage Association.

ART. 2. The object of this Association shall be to secure national protection for women in the exercise of their citizen's right to vote.

ART. 3. All citizens of the United States subscribing to this Constitution, and contributing not less than one dollar annually, shall be considered members of this Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a president, vice-president from each of the states and territories, corresponding and recording secretaries, a treasurer, and an executive committee of not less than five.

ART. 5. A quorum of the executive committee shall consist of nine, and all officers of this Association shall be *ex officio* members of this committee, with power to vote.

ART. 6. All woman suffrage societies throughout the country shall be welcomed as auxiliaries, and their accredited officers or duly appointed representatives shall be recognized as members of the National Association.

Chairman: "You have heard the Constitution of the N. W. S. A., what is the pleasure of the meeting?" Mrs. Alder: "I move it be adopted." This motion was seconded by a large number of ladies present, and the Constitution was adopted...

The Committee came in and reported, and Mrs. Julia C. Taylor read the "By-Laws and REgulations." After the reading some one moved that they be read and voted upon separately. The Secretary read as requested, and the By-Laws and Regulations were adopted separately. The following is a copy:

BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

ARTICLE I.

This Association shall be called the Woman Suffrage Association of Utah.

ARTICLE II.

The object of the Association shall be to work for the enfranchisement of all women, without regard to party, sect, or creed, and to take such steps from time to time as shall seem to be wise and expedient for the political advancement of the women of this Territory.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of this ASsociation shall be a PResident, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, with an Executive Committee of not less than five.

ARTICLE IV.

All persons wishing to become members of this Association must pay a initiation fee of 25 cts. Annually, and must give or send their names with the money to the Secretary, who will present them in the order of business to the next regular meeting for admission.

ARTICLE V.

The officers of this ASsociation, with the Executive Committee, shall have power to change or amend the By-Laws and Regulations at any Executive session, and shall then submit them to the regular meeting, where they may be adopted by a majority vote.

ARTICLE VI.

The Executive Committee shall devise plans of work suited to the development and progress of the members of the Association, and co-operate together with the members in encouraging young people to speak, write essays and discuss questions upon political matters and civil government, and such other subjects as relate thereto; and invite those not already

interested in suffrage, and encourage them to become acquainted with the objects of the organization.

ARTICLE VII.

The names of delegates to the Annual Convention of the N. W. S. A. at Washington shall be presented and voted upon at the annual meeting of the Association, previous to said Convention, or a special meeting called for the purpose. The Credentials of the delegates shall be prepared by the Executive Committee and properly signed by the Officers of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII.

All official papers and documents shall be signed by the President and Secretary, or, in the absence of the President, Vice-President next in order, and all official correspondence must be signed by the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Corresponding Secretary.

ARTICLE IX.

Regular meetings of this Association shall be held once a month, and such business transacted as shall be brought by the Executive Committee or the Secretary, or other officers, after which miscellaneous business or discussion will be in order.

ARTICLE X.

A punctual attendance of the members is particularly requested, in order to further the interests of the whole, and to promote harmony in all plans and methods of organized work.

ARTICLE XI.

All local suffrage associations that may be organized throughout the Territory, by adopting these rules, or similar ones, and the Constitution of the N. W. S. A., shall be considered auxiliaries, and their representatives or delegates will be expected to attend a Territorial Suffrage Convention should one be called, and entitled to the privileges pertaining thereto.