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Summary of Minutes
9/10/75

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m., the coordinators decoriously backdropped by the art work of Irene Clark and Karen Johnson. After a lengthy introduction of new members and correspondence announcements, the first guest speaker of the evening was introduced - Ayesha Sumchai who addressed the group as the leader of a group of professional nurses who propose to obtain state, federal, and contributonal funding for the establishment of an alternative non-profit convalescent facility. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that BWOA go on record as being in support of the proposal.

Jean Damu addressed the organization regarding the recruitment of women to the Los Venceremos Brigade - a group of Americans who travel yearly to Cuba to participate in a six week work program with the Socialist government.. After a controversial discussion a list was circulated among the general body for those interested in further information

The agenda moved directly into committee reports. Verie Joe Bradley, reporting for the media committee, announced that with the request by KQED that BWOA put together a program for Open Studio it is mandatory that group input be received by the committee. Meeting notifications will be mailed.

Shirley Cohen delivered "as usual, the shortest treasurers report in history".

Dues received	\$548.00	Operating disbursements	\$147.73
IWY	\$307.50	Bank balance	\$3,704.38
Disbursements	\$135.81		

The Political Action Committee, according to Maxine Ussery has planned (past tense at this point) a Candidates Night culmunating from which will be a slate card of recommended voting for the November Election, Once again input was solicited from the general body. A discussion ensued regarding various aspects of BWOA's political involvement. Details of the Congresswoman Barbara Jordan fundrasing dinner were supplied by Beth Meador.

Eleanor Spikes requested administrative assistants from the general body who will update the mailing list. Due to an overflow of BWOA related materials, Ms. Spikes humbly requested that the body appove allocation for a used file cabinet.

The Health Committee, headed by Peggy Day is involved in many interesting activities. She announced applications for the Cindy Smallwood Medical Scholarship as well as a program designed to assist women suffering from physical abuse. Ms. Day welcomed new members to join the Health committee. Speaking for the Employment Opportunities Committee, Pat Walton announced the formation of a Women Trade Untion. The committee is currestly concerned with the compilation of the numerous employment announcements which they receive into the job alert bulletin.

The Newsletter, edited by Ahimsa Sumchai will be pasted up the Saturday following the 20th of the month. The organizational body applauded Cynthia Eddings for a job well done and wishes her luck in her relocation to Washington D.C.

The Credit Union committee reported on a new policy called "consensus" whereby persons in attendance at a policy meeting can actively vote (if they own shares) on crucial issues. The memberships concern must be that those issues concerning Black and low income women be given due focus and full priority. The meetings of the Credit Union are held the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 64 Brady St.

The floor was opened for announcements following which was the installment of the fourth quarter Coordinators Beth Meador, Iris Harvey and Bernadette Derr. Despite the continuing high energy..the meeting was adjourned.