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Ohio Woman Suffrage Association

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DIRECTIONS TO WORKERS.

In view of the coming Constitutional Convention, which gives us the opportunity to work for an amendment, striking the word "male" as a qualification for voting from the Constitution of Ohio, the Ohio Woman Suffrage Association has decided to organize the state along Woman Suffrage Party lines, which means merely an adaptation of the old enrollment plan to the political method of work.

Where suffrage clubs exist, they should form the centers from which the organization is to proceed. Where there is but one club, the officers of this club should form

the organization committee; where there are several clubs, the officers of these clubs should unite in forming such an organization committee; where no suffrage club exists, and none can be organized, a number of workers may form a temporary committee for the purpose of organizing their particular community.

This committee, whether composed of the officers of a club or clubs, or whether consisting of voluntary workers, should, after electing its chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer, make itself acquainted with the political organization of the community in which the work is to be done. It should secure from the County Board of Elections, where possible, a directory of houses in which any person's precinct and ward can be found at a glance, by giving the street address. This Committee, which may be known as the Central Committee or the Executive Committee, should call a mass meeting for the purpose

of setting forth the objects of the campaign, also to secure workers. The temporary committee may be made a permanent one, either at this or some future meeting of like nature. The names of the workers should be tabulated according to their respective wards and precincts, and these lists will be found helpful in the selection of a chairman for each ward.

A ward may elect its own chairman or the same may be appointed by the Executive or Central Committee. The chairmen of all the wards constitute the Campaign Committee. Each ward chairman should be supplied with a map of the ward showing plainly every precinct in it. She should proceed to organize the same by calling a ward mass meeting, setting forth the objects of the campaign, and to secure the enrollment of workers which furnish the available material from which captains for each precinct may be chosen. Each precinct captain should be supplied with

a map of her precinct and should secure workers in each block who will make a house to house canvass for the enrollment of sympathizers on the blanks furnished for this purpose. Townships, too, should be organized in like manner. A county organization is composed of township and ward organizations, and these are again divided into precincts.

At the next annual convention to be held in October, an amendment to the Constitution of the Ohio Woman Suffrage Association will be voted upon, which will enable ward, township or county organizations to become auxiliary to the State association.