

EDUCATION - STOW

STOW SCHOOL STUDY

Consensus of 1979-80

The Stow members of the League of Women Voters of Acton Stow support:

- the development of a regularly updated statement of goals and philosophies for the Stow schools (K-12).
 1. The School Committee, as our elected representative, should be responsible for developing these goals.
 2. Input from citizens, administrators, and professional school personnel should be solicited.
 3. Periodic review is necessary to enable these goals to reflect changes in the community as well as in educational approaches.
 4. Community-wide publicity throughout the process is strongly recommended.
- the use of a variety of educational techniques and programs to meet adequately the needs of children at all ability levels.
- continued K-12 curriculum coordination. We urge the schools to better publicize curriculum standards and changes.
- improved communication between schools and community.

ALTERNATIVE FINANCING AND SUPPLEMENTARY PROGRAMS IN THE STOW SCHOOLS

Consensus of 1984-85

The Stow members of the League of Women Voters of Acton-Stow support:

- fund raising efforts for local public school programs including new resources such as: industry, foundations and grants.

Support for these efforts should be based on the following criteria:

1. Program need/demand
2. Program meets curriculum objectives.
3. Program should be established in a timely manner.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT - STOW

TOWN MEETING PROCEDURES Consensus of 1987

The Stow members of the League of Women Voters of Acton-Stow support:

The increasing of Town Meeting attendance by:

- publicity in the local newspaper
- limiting Town Meeting time from 7-10:30PM

Education the voters regarding Town Meeting by:

- publicity in the local newspaper
- publishing a Town Meeting Guideline in front of Warrant
- sponsoring a Warrant Meeting to present articles before Town Meeting

Expediting and improving Town Meeting by:

- limiting article presentation time to 20 minutes (unless prior approval is given by the Moderator)
- improving audio-visual presentations for clarity
- having motions and amendments for reconsideration submitted in writing and posted.