



**In the summer of '68
youth was in Chicago's
Grant Park . . .**

**In the summer of '72
youth will have enough
power to get inside the
convention halls . . .**

**If youth acts NOW!
To get in, you must
CAUCUS.**

1972 Is A Year of Decision

**Y
WILL
O
DECIDE
U**

- Whether an issue is worth dying for . . .**
- Whether drug abusers go to jails or hospitals . . .**
- Whether 18 to 20 yr. olds have full rights . . .**
- Who the next President will be . . .**

WHERE DO CAUCUSES MEET?

Precinct caucuses are usually held in public buildings and polling places: city and village halls; churches; schools; and social halls. The exact locations are set by the GOP and DFL County Chairmen and Chairwomen. Contact them for exact

locations; or else contact your local Minnesota Project '72 group. Minnesota Project '72 has prepared and distributed this brochure on a nonpartisan basis. We urge you to take it to your caucus.

WHAT ARE YOUR VOTING RIGHTS?

The 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution lowers the voting age, in all elections, to 18. If a person is 18 yrs. or older on, or before, November 7, 1972, they are eligible to vote in the November 7, 1972 general election. In municipalities over

10,000 voter registration is required. A person has up until 20 days before the election to register.

There are only 4 questions which may be raised of persons registering to vote or voting. These four are:

1. Are you a U.S. citizen?
2. Have you been living in Minnesota and the precinct for 30 days?
3. Are you at least 18 yrs. old?
4. Do you assert your residence is in the precinct in which you wish to register?

NO OTHER QUESTIONS MAY BE ASKED OF ANY PERSON WISHING TO REGISTER OR VOTE. THERE MAY BE NO TEST GIVEN TO THOSE UNDER 21 DIFFERENT FROM THOSE OVER 21 in the determination of

the above four questions. A person's intent to remain at a particular voting residence is beyond the purview of voting registration officials and may not be asked of any person wishing to register and vote.

WHERE DO YOU REGISTER?

In Minneapolis, residents can register at any branch library. In all other areas contact the City Clerk at City Hall.

In 1972, 509,695 Minnesotans can vote for the first time, in a Presidential Election. That's too much power to just throw away VOTE

Caucus first, Then Vote

Caucuses meet only once every 2 years. If you can wait until 1974 to decide whether an issue is worth dying for; whether drug abusers go to jails or hospitals; and whether 18 to 20 yr. olds have full rights, then don't caucus on February 22nd. If you can wait until 1976 to nominate the next President, then don't caucus on February 22nd. But if you can't wait until 1974 and 1976, then voice your choice February 22nd, 1972. If you care about what happens now, then read on:

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

On Tuesday, February 22, 1972 at 8:00 p.m. Minnesota citizens will caucus to discuss candidates to put on the ballot for the 1972 elections. The precinct caucus is the only form of direct democracy open to all Minnesotans. It is a public meeting held by the DFL and GOP. The GOP and DFL hold separate caucuses on the night of February 22, at 8:00 p.m., in every precinct in the state.

Any person who is 18 yrs. or older by November 7, 1972; is a U.S. citizen; and a resident of the precinct for at least 30 days. Such person need not be a registered voter at the time of the caucus to participate in it. . . . (Minn. Statute: Sections 202.22 to 202.27) To participate, a person must sign the "caucus call." The caucus call states that the person signing will probably vote for a majority of that party's candidates in the next election.

WHAT HAPPENS AT THE CAUCUS

DFL

Order of business

- I. Temporary convenor calls caucus to order at 8:00 p.m. Persons wishing to vote must sign caucus call.
- II. Nomination and election of permanent caucus chairman (to chair caucus); and precinct chairman (responsible for party activity in precinct for next 2 years). Also elect 2 election judges to count the ballots for delegate positions. Nominations for delegates and alternates must remain open until 8:30 and balloting must remain open until 9:00 p.m. + to give latecomers a chance to participate.
- III. Adoption of resolutions on issues and candidates for District, State and National Officers.
- IV. Adjournment. (Not until after 9:00 p.m.)+

Limited voting

The DFL State Central Committee has adopted a voting procedure for caucuses and county conventions called "limited voting." Each person at a caucus may cast 1 ballot for every 2 delegates to be elected. When the total number of delegates to be elected is not divisible by 2, each person may vote for 1 additional delegate. All voting for delegates and alternates is done by secret ballot.

+STATE LAW

GOP

Order of business

- I. Call to order (8:00 pm) by temporary convenor. Appointment of temporary secretary. Persons wishing to vote must sign caucus call.
- II. Election of caucus chairman and secretary.
- III. Nomination and election of permanent precinct officers responsible for party activity for 2 years. They represent precinct on county committee for next 2 years.
- IV. Nomination and election of delegates and alternates to Ward-Village and County conventions for 2 year terms. Before balloting is begun judges must be elected to count the ballots. Nominations for delegates and alternates must remain open until 8:30 pm and the balloting must remain open until 9:00 p.m. to give latecomers the chance to participate. +
- V. Adoption of resolutions on issues and candidates for District, State, and National Officers.
- VI. Adjournment. (not until after 9:00 p.m.)+

All voting for delegates and alternates at GOP caucuses is done by secret ballot. Each person can vote for the total number of delegates to be elected.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

(Both use Robert's Rules, revised)

To do this:	You say:	May Interrupt Speaker?	Need 2nd?	Debatable?	Amendable?	Vote?
Recess the meeting	"I move that we recess until.."	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
End debate	"I move the previous question"	No	Yes	No	No	2-3
Amend a Motion	"I move this motion be amended by....."	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Introduce Business	"I move that....."	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Vote on Ruling of Chairman	"I appeal the chairman's decision"	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Consider something out of scheduled order	"I move we suspend the rules and consider....."	No	Yes	No	No	2-3

For more information on Caucuses and Voting CONTACT:

PROJECT '72
Room 213
Coffman Union Univ. of Minn.
Mpls. Mn. 55455 612-373-2414
or

MINNESOTA PROJECT '72
A-101 GAGE CENTER
MANKATO STATE COLLEGE
MANKATO, MINNESOTA 56001
507-389-6071

Dist. Feb. 21, 1972