AAUW NC Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes: Friday, March 23, 2018 at 1:00 pm

Location: Hawthorne Inn and Conference Center WS

Members Present: Cheryl Wheaton and Jane Terwillegar, Denny McGuire, Laura Garmendia, Diane Schneider, Nancy Shoemaker, Kathy Pearre, JoAnn Hall, Debra Richardson

Guest: Melissa Johnson- AAUW Board of Directors and Wendy Hanner-nominee for AAUW NC Treasurer

Subject	Discussions/Decisions
Welcome/Introductions	The board meeting started with the introduction of board members, Melissa
	Johnson and nominees. The meeting was called to order by Co-President Cherrie Wheaton
Minutes	 Secretary Debra Richardson indicated that the minutes were emailed and an extra copy could be found in your packet. Debra asked for a motion to accept the 1/6/18 minutes as written. The minutes were accepted as written by Laura Garmendia, seconded by Diane Schneider and approved by a show of hands.
Treasurer Report	 JoAnn Hall provided the Treasurer's report [see attached] and stated that the conference expense/income will be compiled and reported at a later meeting. Also, AAUW stills needs to submit a bill for the salary negotiation workshops. With no additional questions, Denny McGuire made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Laura Garmendia and the report was approved by a show of hands.
Review and discussion of a draft budget for 2018-19	 [Budget attached] The board discussion about next year's budget began with a request for the Treasurer to add a category/line item to the budget titled Advocacy and Events. It was agreed to deposit \$1000 in this line item to be used for advocacy collaborations. Wendy Haner inquired about a money market account, since the checking account has such a large balance. The matter will be explored. The board continued the discussion about the budget report and decided when conference financial costs are available, an email draft will be forwarded to board members to be finalized in July. Nancy Shoemaker indicated that members needed a budget available on the website. Cherrie Wheaton offered a motion, "that the board complete a second draft of the Y2019 budget after the conference finances are completed." There was no second, as Nancy Shoemaker made a motion to table the budget for Y2019 until the Treasurer can report final numbers for this fiscal year [2nd by Denny McGuire.] The budget discussion was tabled.
Review of Annual Meeting Plans	 Co-chair Cherrie Wheaton went over the conference agenda, confirming that interns from UNCG will be assisting during each workshop. Wendy Haner stated that the Asheville branch members donated all the crafts for the raffle.
Report on mini grants	 Co-chair Cherrie Wheaton reported that ODC [Orange, Durham, Chatham] branch submitted a Mini-grant request to purchase 50 copies of "This

- Bridge Called My Back" to be distributed at the UNC Women of Worth 2018 Spring Conference. The Executive Committee approved this request and ODC received a \$500 Mini-grant in February.
- Seven Work Smart/Start Smart projects were completed with four of them funded by Luna grants from AAUW. [See attached.] The goal to host a salary negotiation event in each region was not met, as none were held in the eastern region. The next deadline to submit an application to AAUW NC for a salary negotiation workshop is 6/1/18.
- [See attached] Co-president Jane Terwillegar provided a Mini grant request for Board approval for an AAUW NC retreat at the NC Justice Center during the late summer. The plan is to invite all branch presidents and board members to attend a one-day Institute in Raleigh at the Justice Center. [Exact date and time TBA] Laura Garmendia made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Diane Schneider and the Mini grant was approved by a show of hands.

AAUW Bylaws proposal and resolution Proposal for the Board

• Denny McGuire, Public Policy Co-chair, provided a Resolution for Board approval. She reported that the AAUW Board of Directors has voted to put three proposals for bylaw amendments to membership for a vote. 1] creating three-year staggering board terms 2] opening board service to those outside of the AAUW membership and 3] eliminating the degree requirement for membership. [see attached] Voting on these amendments will take place on-line April 25, 2018 and close June 9, 2018. The Board discussed the merits of these amendments and unanimously approved the Resolution provided by Co-chair McGuire. This Board action will also be reported at the Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday.

Repeal of Hyde Amendment Resolution, Durham County

 Co-chair Denny McGuire also reported that AAUW NC received a request to join other women organizations with a petition to the Durham County Board of Commissioners to pass a resolution calling for the appeal of the Hyde Amendment [see attached.] The Hyde Amendment states no federal money can be spent on abortions. As this is part of AAUW's stated objectives, AAUW NC supported this effort.

Discussion of Communication needs

- The Co-Presidents reported that to promote this year's Annual Conference, more than 1600 newsletters were mailed to branch members and members-at-large [MAL], at the cost of \$2,832.88. This newsletter invoice includes printing, setup for mailing list, art and layout charges and postage. This one newsletter required most of the \$3,000 budgeted for Y2018.
- Laura Garmendia stated that digital is the way to go. However, past experience indicates there is a low rate of members opening, reading and
 responding to emails. It was agreed to revisit the issue of communicating
 with members and how much to budget for this annual cost at the July
 meeting.
- The board briefly discussed branding and using University student interns to help update the website.

Direction of Strategic Plan 2018-19

• Co-president Cherrie Wheaton directed members to the strategic plan noting there has been some success with the state-wide salary negotiation

	project. The Co-Presidents also intend to continue meeting with leaders in the five regions next fall.
Women's Suffrage Celebration in 2020	 Celebrating the ratification of the 19th amendment was discussed, as planning needs to begin for that state-wide celebration. August 26, 2020 will be the 100th Anniversary. The planning should be a collaboration including other like-minded women organizations. The co-chairs indicated that a Chair needs to be appointed to begin preparation for 2020.
Date for next meeting	July 28 th was suggested for the next Board meeting. Location TBA
Adjournment	 Secretary, Debra Richardson made the motion to adjourn [2nd by Nancy Shoemaker] and the meeting was adjourned at 2:36 pm.
L	Minutes submitted by DRichardson, Secretary, AAUW NC