

AAUW NC Fall Meeting October 9-10, 2009
Boone, NC

BOARD MINUTES - DRAFT

Call to Order and Quorum

President Millie Hoffer-Foushee called the meeting to order at the Broyhill Inn and Conference Center at 7:15 p.m. A sign-in sheet of branch representatives showed a quorum was present with 14 Branches represented and 7 AAUW NC officers. (See attendance Board Meeting Attendance Sheet.)

Old Business/Reports

Minutes of the July 17-18 Summer Board Meeting in Hendersonville

The minutes were approved as posted on the web site, having been previously reviewed by the appointed reading committee.

Financial Report (See attached reports distributed by the Treasurer: "Financial Report 07-01- 2008 to 06-30-2009" and "Proposed Budget 2009-2010"; "First Quarter Report 07-01-09 to 09-30-09")

As part of the Financial Report, AAUW NC Finance/Treasurer VP Mary Fran Schickedantz reported that the budget has been changed in accordance with directions given during the Summer Board Meeting and that copies have been emailed to the branches.

First Quarter: Dues received = \$6, 166 (\$4,000 before June 30.) Branches should continue to send dues as received. "Seed" money for the 2008 Convention in Wilmington was repaid, along with an additional \$845 in profit from that Convention. No invoice was received from Hendersonville in connection with Summer Board Meeting; expenses should have been covered by registration fees.

Account balances: Checking = \$19,299.33; Savings = \$14,076.00
Total cash = \$33,375.33

The financial reports were approved as presented.

Communications Report (See attached Communications Team Report.)

Communications Team Leader Connie Gamble Ochse announced the resignation of Marty Folsom as the editor of *the Tar Heel News* due to family issues. A team will be preparing the THN in a three step process. November 5th is the deadline for submission of articles for the winter issue to Connie. Email material to her at editor@aauwnc.org by November 5. The target mailing date is December 5.

Public Policy/Advocacy Report (See attached copy of Public Policy/Advocacy Report, AAUW Public Policy flyer, and Report from Committee on Policy for Endorsing North Carolina Legislation.)

Public Policy/Advocacy Chair Elaine Ostrowski announced that an insert related to AAUW NC endorsement of NC legislation will be inserted in the new AAUW Public Policy flyer. Elaine and Mary Peterson proposed an addition to the AAUW NC Policy Statement to describe a plan for endorsing selected legislation proposed in the North Carolina General Assembly.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Policy for Endorsing Selected Proposed North Carolina Legislation. The following amendment was made and seconded: "A majority of the five elected members of the AAUW NC Executive Committee (President, Program VP, Membership VP, Treasurer, and Secretary) will be required to approve/disapprove endorsement of proposed NC legislation. (To be inserted at the end of item # 3 of the Policy for Endorsing Proposed NC Legislation.) "The amendment passed, as well as the amended Policy for Endorsing Selected Proposed NC Legislation.

It was noted that use of the term “philanthropy” was adopted at the 2009 AAUW Convention, but does not appear in the AAUW Public Policy flyer. President Hoffler-Foushee will check about why the term was not used and will clarify in an email.

Membership Report

Membership VP Sheila Bassoppo-Moyo distributed copies of the new AAUW membership brochure, “Join AAUW.” She requested that branches send her information about activities or events related to membership. After discussion about the problems related to membership, Sheila moved that “At the 2010 state convention there be workshops for various AAUW positions, which might include branch president.” The motion was seconded and passed.

College/University Report

Elmira Mangum (UNC Chapel Hill) College/University Chair has obtained from AAUW the names of C/U Representatives in NC and plans to have a meeting with liaisons in the state. She recommended sending the THN to them electronically. Good contacts for local branches seeking C/U reps. may be found in Women’s Studies and Diversity offices. Elmira is willing to loan to branches a copy of the “Patsy Mink Story,” which is about the efforts to enact Title IX.

Resolution honoring Nancy Shoemaker

A framed resolution of appreciation for Nancy Shoemaker’s extensive and valuable contributions to AAUW NC has been prepared and will be presented to her on Saturday morning.

New Business/Announcements

2010 AAUW NC Convention in Charlotte, April 16-17

Diane Schneider, Lill Van Order and Millie Hoffler-Foushee are planning convention theme and program. More workshops will be included. “The Patsy Mink Story” may be shown. Leader-on-Loan will be Carol Ragnoud, Head of AAUW Staff Development

Location: University Hilton – guest rooms \$109.00

Bundled cost for registration, lunch, and dinner - \$70.00

Summer and Fall Meetings are being planned for all members with Friday evening Board Meeting and Saturday programs and workshops.

Discussion of Possible Change in the Amount of Hotel Reimbursement for Members of Executive Committee.

An *ad hoc* committee was formed to review and, if necessary, recommend a revision of the AAUW NC policy regarding hotel reimbursement for members of the Executive Committee. Members of the *ad hoc* committee: Lib Laney (High Country Branch), Elmira Mangum (Raleigh/Wake County Branch), and Kathy Pearre (Winston Salem Branch)

State Structure – Discussion of Possible Changes

AAUW says states may choose to elect only the following for two year terms: a president and a treasurer, plus a 5 member nominating committee. Standing Committees may be appointed for two year terms: program, public policy/advocacy, membership, communications. Those present did not see any benefit in this suggestion.

Announcements

Debra Richardson (Greensboro Branch) has been appointed as a member of AAUW Leadership Corps. The Leadership Corps will take the place of Regional Directors and will be trained to assist a branch that is having problems.

2009 AAUW NC Juvenile Literature Award was received by Ms. Clay Carmichael for her book, Wild Things. The presentation will be made in New Bern. (www.claycarmichael.com)

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – Board Meeting reconvened for the appointment of a Reading Committee: Kathy Pearre (Winston Salem Branch), Denny McGuire (Raleigh/Wake County Branch), and Peg Holmes.