

AAUW of North Carolina  
Minutes of the Board Meeting  
April 18, 2008  
Marriott Hotel, Greensboro

The meeting was convened at 3:02 by President Nancy Shoemaker. She noted that the meeting rules were in the convention registration folder and that there was a separate packet for the board meeting. [See attached]. She introduced Vicki Pinson from Communication Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing who transcribed the meeting's discussions and projected her notes onto a screen at the front of the room for the benefit of all.

The first order of business was for the attendees to introduce themselves. [See attendee list, attached.] A quorum was present. Mary Stephens was introduced as the interim secretary, replacing Karla Atkinson who could not be present.

Geri Hambley (Brevard), JoAnn Hall (Jacksonville Regional) and Lill Van Order (Wilmington) volunteered to be on the reading committee for this meeting. Kay White (Chapel Hill), Doris Bernlohr (Chapel Hill) and Phyllis Guberman (Wilmington) volunteered to be on the reading committee for Saturday's business session, the annual meeting of AAUW NC.

The meeting rules were adopted without opposition. It was noted that Lou Dean Howard would be serving as parliamentarian for this meeting. Shoemaker noted one addition to the agenda: Mary Peterson, Advocacy Chair, will present a motion on endorsing legislation on paid sick leave. The agenda was approved as corrected.

Shoemaker called for corrections to the minutes of the October 20, 2007 board meeting. Corrections were noted to the spellings of the names: Daria Corey, Sheila Bassoppo-Moyo, and Elaine Morehead Hughes. Geri Hambley moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mary Fran Schickedantz presented the 7/1/07-3/31/08 treasurer's report. There were two forms of the report in the board packet: a simplified version with totals for each team, and a version showing a more detailed breakdown of the teams' expenses. (The simplified version was also included in the annual meeting packet.) There was a discussion of line items where the actual figures varied from the budget. There were no objections to filing the treasurer's report as presented.

Everlena Diggs, president-elect of the Greensboro branch and co-chair of the convention local arrangements committee, gave a brief report on the status of convention arrangements. All seems to be going smoothly. She asked that attendees be

sure to visit the tables of the sponsoring organizations, and encouraged participation in bidding on the baskets. She said that more than 100 people have checked in with 111 registered for the luncheon. Shickedantz (co-chair of the local arrangements) encouraged meeting attendees who would be joining the group for evening entertainment to proceed to the lobby promptly. She also noted that she had a consignment kit from the Association and would be selling items during the day on Saturday.

Phyllis Guberman: Provided information about the 2009 convention on 3/27/2009 in Wilmington, NC. There will just be afternoon session from 1-5 pm approximately. The banquet is set for the evening. There will be no lunch and no breakout workshops. The board meeting will be announced at a later date. The board members will encourage people to go to national convention next June of 2009 to St. Louis, Missouri. The Friday night celebration will be 100 years of AAUW in NC. The discussion did not lead to any action, and it was noted the executive committee and local arrangements committee would continue with the plans.

In addition to the treasurer's report noted above, the board packet included

- a copy of the draft FY07 report that had been presented at the July 14, 2007 meeting
- an estimate of the expected expenses between 4/1/08 and 6/30/08.
- a worksheet showing FY07 actuals, FY08 projected actuals and a budget for FY09

The group discussed these documents in preparation for a later discussion of the details of the FY09 budget and a vote to approve it. Shoemaker noted that cards had been passed around and after other business had been completed, the board members would break into small groups to discuss options for state projects that would have an effect on the budget.

Mary Peterson, Advocacy Chair, introduced the public policy packet that would be distributed to all the branches and noted that it included the legislative report card from NC Women United, one of the coalitions that AAUW NC supports. It also included a briefing on the "Healthy Families Act" which would guarantee all workers a modest number of paid sick days. Mary made a motion, on behalf of the Advocacy Team, to allow the NC Justice Center to list AAUW NC among the organizations supporting paid sick day legislation in the upcoming session of the legislature. In the discussion it was noted that support for "paid family and medical leave" is included in the AAUW 2007-2009 principles for action. The motion passed, and Mary was instructed to report the result of the vote to the Justice Center.

The attendees then split into small groups to discuss issues that might affect the 2008-2009 budget – what projects might be started that would require financial resources. The discussions were seeded with a list that included

Fellows support  
Conference  
Branch formation  
Travelship to St. Louis  
Women's Advocacy Day  
STEM

Shoemaker encouraged creativity in using our money to increase our effectiveness, visibility, and ability to advance the mission. The groups wrote their comments on file cards that were delivered to president-elect Millie Hoffler Foushee.

After announcements the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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Mary E. Stephens, AAUW-NC Secretary

Officers present:

1. Mary Fran Schickedantz – Treasurer
2. Lou Dean Howard – Co-VP of Programs
3. Connie Gamble Ochse, Communication Chair
4. Millie Hoffler-Foushee, President Elect
5. Mary E. Stephens, Acting Secretary (proxy for Karla Atkinson)
6. Lill Van Order, Fundraising Chair
7. Mary Peterson, Advocacy Chair
8. Nancy Shoemaker, President
9. Janet Weber, proxy for Nominating Committee Chair, Patricia Tilley
10. Judy Atkinson, Team Building Coordinator
11. Sue Mengert, Convention Local Arrangments co-chair

Branches represented:

1. Asheville – Judi Peterson and LaDean Peterson, co-presidents
2. Brevard – Geri Hambley, president
3. Chapel Hill – Kay White, president
4. Charlotte – Florence Bowen, president
5. Gaston Regional – Judith Burns, proxy
6. Greensboro – Everlena Diggs, president-elect
7. Hendersonville – Peg Holmes, president-elect
8. High Country – Elizabeth Laney, proxy
9. High Point -- Karen Perry, proxy
10. Jacksonville Regional – JoAnn Hall, president-elect
11. Raleigh/Wake County – Janet Weber, proxy (also rep of an officer; casts only one vote)
12. Sandhills-Southern Pines – Sue Williamson, president
13. Statesville – Mary Morrow, president
14. Twin Rivers/New Bern – Mary Paulik, proxy
15. Wilmington – Sandra McLaurin, president
16. Winston Salem – Judy Atkinson, proxy (also an officer; casts only one vote)

Attendees with no vote at the board meeting

1. Lois McCarthy – Sandhills-Southern Pines
2. Joanne Hill – Jacksonville
3. Doris Bernlohr – Chapel Hill
4. Phyllis Guberman – Wilmington
5. Carol Newnam – SAR Director

Absent officers/branches:

1. Barbara White, VP Membership
2. Etta Alston, Co-VP of Programs
3. Sheila Bassoppo-Moyo, College/University Chair
4. Queen Thompson, Diversity Chair
5. Bryson City\*
6. Cherokee County\*

7. Eden\*
8. Salisbury
9. Tryon Area

\* Not represented at this meeting or the previous one. Will not be counted in the quorum for the next meeting unless they do send a representative.