## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN OF NORTH CAROLINA [AAUW NC] ANNUAL STATE MEETING MARCH 23, 2019

The 2019 annual meeting of the American Association of University Women of North Carolina [AAUWNC] was held on March 23, 2019 at the Marriott PTI in Greensboro NC.

Co-presidents Jane Terwillegar and Cherrie Wheaton welcomed everyone to the meeting and continued with roll call of AAUW branches. Co-president, Cherrie Wheaton recognized the new Western Carolina University Branch and continued with a few brief announcements:

- ✓ Silent Auction- Bev Larson added that several AAUW branches donated baskets and the Marriott donated a certificate that included an overnight stay. All donations will benefit AAUW NC.
- ✓ Lill Van Order is distributing the AAUW NC Young People's Literature Award book to branches and has additional books to purchase.
- ✓ There are vendors set up in the hallway, so please visit them during the breaks.

## Opening Ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance

Rachael and Ryleigh Massey, Girl Scouts from Cadette Troop #40655 performed the flag ceremony. [The girls are the granddaughters of Secretary Debra Massey-Richardson.]

## NC Business meeting

The annual meeting was called to order by Co-presidents, Jane Terwillegar and Cherrie Wheaton.

Debra Richardson, Secretary, directed members to the March 2018 minutes and asked for a motion to accept the 2018 minutes. Wendy Haner motioned to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Sue Mengert. The motion was approved unanimously.

Wendy Haner, Treasurer, presented the Jan 1-March 15, 2019 Treasurer's Report [refer to handout]. A question was asked about a financial report from July 2018. Wendy states she has all financial reports available to be reviewed. Denny McGuire motioned to accept the report as submitted, seconded by Barbara Ann Hughes. [One objection was noted and will be handled by the Treasurer.] The motion was approved.

Diane Schneider, Branch Advocate, presented the Nominating Committee Report.

• Candidate for President – Jane Terwillegar • Candidate for Branch Advocate – Judy Balsanek. There were no nominations from the floor. Nancy Shoemaker motioned to close nominations and elect the two candidates by acclamation [2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Morehead]. The vote passed unanimously.

Greensboro Branch President, Lena Murrill-Chapman, led the induction of the new officers.

## **State News**

Co- President Jane Terwillegar introduced the new website with a brief tutorial. [refer to <a href="www.aauwnc.org">www.aauwnc.org</a>] Nancy Shoemaker was recognized for her years of managing the website.

Denny McGuire, Public Policy chair, reported on the importance of getting the Equal Right Amendment ratified before 2020 and asked AAUW members to contact our legislators to push this bill through to make NC the 38<sup>th</sup> State to ratify.

Co- Presidents Jane Terwillegar and Cherrie Wheaton traveled statewide hosting regional meetings, visiting branches to discuss programming, exchanging ideas and collaborating.

State plans for 2020: The board is planning for the 100th anniversary commemoration of women having the Right to Vote. The Executive Mansion in Raleigh has been reserved for Aug. 26, 2020. The chair for 2020 committee is Virginia Adamson.

National has decided not to plan an AAUW 2020 Convention due to the cost, but they will host virtual presentations. The first virtual presentation on Women's Equity will be in January 2020. Check your emails for notifications.

Motion to adjourn made by Da'Tarvia Parrish [2<sup>nd</sup> by Johanna Manasse].

The 2019 AAUW NC Annual Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

Submitted by Debra Massey-Richardson, Secretary, AAUW NC