

American Association of University Women North Carolina (AAUW NC) Annual State Meeting - March 26, 2022 Minutes

Meeting Date: March 26, 2022 Meeting Time: 9:30 am Meeting Location: *ZOOM*

Subject	Discussion/Progress/Decisions
Welcome/Introduction Pat Ashe, President	Pat Ashe called the meeting to order at 9:38 am with introductions and welcome for the 95th anniversary of AAUW NC. The agenda and all supporting documents for the meeting will be available in the "Documents for 2022 Annual Meeting" folder at <u>https://www.aauwnc.org/documents/</u> .
Treasurer's Report Wendy Haner, Treasurer	The 2020-2021 Finance Report was provided in the February 2022 issue of the <i>Connect</i> newsletter and will be available in the "Documents for 2022 Annual Meeting" folder at <u>https://www.aauwnc.org/documents/</u> .
Announcement of the Previous Year's Annual Meeting Minutes <i>Pat Ashe, President</i>	 Minutes from last year's March 2021 Annual Business meeting were recorded by Adrienne Stuckey. The reading committee members were Christi Whitworth and Virgina Adamson, who reviewed and approved the minutes. The minutes are available publicly at: https://www.aauwnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/2021.03 The reading committee, appointed by Pat Ashe, who will review and approve the minutes from this meeting are Jane Terwillegar and Jean D'Addario.
Establishment of Quorum Kathy Pearre and Mary Ann Bents, Credentials Committee	Branches Represented: 13 out of 16 branches had members present. A quorum is met.

Revised State Bylaws Pat Ashe, President	Proposed edits to the Bylaws were provided in the February 2022 issue of Connect newsletter, and comments were accepted by email to the President until March 16. A motion to accept the new bylaws was made by Virgina Adamson (Tar Heel Branch) and seconded by Lillian Van Order (Tar Heel and Cape Fear Branches).
	 Discussion of four items was raised by Virginia Adamson: Article X section 4c - Vacancies. The current Bylaws state that the Executive Committee appoints replacements for all positions except President and Branch Advocate. Virginia recommended it should read: "A vacancy in any office other than President is filled for the unexpired term by an election of the Board of Directors." Article XIII section 1 - Committees. Virginia asked if there are any standing committees. Pat responded that there are none listed in the Bylaws though several are in operation. No edits recommended. Article XV section 5 - Quorum. Virginia noted that the quorum is listed as 50%. Virginia recommended it should read: "The quorum for a meeting of the Board of Directors is fifty-one percent (51%) of the members, which includes fifty-one percent (51%) of the
	 Executive Committee." 4. Article XIII section 6 - Voting. It currently states "Each member of the Board of Directors has one (1) vote." Virginia noted this can cause difficulty in the case of co-chairs or triple co-chairs. She recommended it should read: "Each member of the Board of Directors has one (1) vote; when an officer or committee has co-officers/co-chairs that there should only be one (1) vote per office/committee chair" to align better with Robert's Rules of Order. With the agreement to make the three changes in bold, the motion passed unanimously by verbal vote.
Nominations & Elections Janet Bunger, Branch Advocate and Nominations	Nominee for Vice President for the term 2022-2024: Beverly Larson. A verbal vote was taken. The vote was unanimous to elect Beverly Larson.
Committee Chair, and Pat Ashe, President	Nominee for Treasurer for the term 2022-2024: Paula Munger.

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Installation Ceremonies Jane Terwillegar, Past President	Beverly Larson and Paula Munger were installed.
President's Report on Branch Activities Pat Ashe, President	 Pat Ashe provided an overview of State, Branch, and member activities throughout the past year. Highlights included: At least two events per month have been offered by ZOOM by various branches to share their very interesting and informative speakers and programs for the AAUW NC broader membership. These branches included: Asheville, Cape Fear, Charlotte, Greensboro, Jacksonville Regional, ODC, and Western Carolina University. The board Chairs of Public Policy, Programs and STEM provided periodic virtual ZOOM meetings with the branch chairs of these committees. Eileen Hanson-Kelly, Treasurer of the Salisbury branch, became the latest Legacy Circle member in North Carolina. Other North Carolina Legacy Circle members are: Janet Bunger, Mildred Hoffler-Foushee, Barbara Hughes, Beverly Larson and Elizabeth Norris. A state board member, Tiffany Jacobs (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair), was recently selected as one of the 2022 class of Outstanding Women in Business award winners by the Triad Business Journal. Tiffany will receive her award on May 5th. The Charlotte branch was awarded a Mini-Grant for \$300 to sponsor a team of 4th and 5th grade students to a Science Olympiad. AAUW has announced they will again offer their "STEMEd" on-line learning program early this summer for 5th through 12th grade girls. Western Carolina University branch Public Policy Chair, Katie Pincura, conducted a study surveying all NC examining civil service job applications for the presence of questions about prior salary. This study was published in the NC Justice

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	Center's <i>NC Policy Watch</i> daily on-line The Board has developed a new Guidelines and Procedures Manual, to accompany our existing Policy Statement, that was
	approved by the board in April 2021.Mary Ann Bents (editor of the <i>Connect</i> newsletter) reports the rate of people opening the newsletter email has increased tremendously this past year, which means more of you are reading it.
	 The Board set 5 Goals, for the past year and next year, to move toward achieving state 5-Star Program Recognition. All are well under way: update the Bylaws, create a Guidelines and Procedures Manual, improve the communication between the state board and branch Chairs, appoint a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair for the state, and encouraging branches to collaborate with colleges or universities in their communities.
Announcement	Town Hall meeting: Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 7:00 pm for members to ask questions and discuss issues. Register on website <u>www.aauwnc.org</u> to get the Zoom link.
Adjournment Pat Ashe	The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am.
Notetaker	The minutes were prepared and submitted by Adrienne Stuckey, Secretary, AAUW NC. The reading committee who will review and approve the minutes from this meeting are Jane Terwillegar and Jean D'Addario.