



**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW Board Meeting**  
**January 9, 2019**

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Cherry, Donna Jean Simon, Janet Arden, Karen Schulz, Elaine Nissen, Patricia Bernhold, Mary Sue Brown, Suzanne Gagner, Nancy Possinger, Fran Kravitz and Patricia Spence

Co-President Lisa Cherry called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm. She thanked Patricia Spence for hosting.

Secretary Patricia Bernhold presented the November 14, 2018 Minutes. Karen Schulz moved to approve them and Elaine Niessen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Co-President Cherry commented on the success of the Winter Banquet and applauded the efforts of Debbie Ness and Frankie Robinson. Board members added their approval and noted how impressive the guest speaker was. Members would like to invite her back when her film is completed.

**OFFICER AND CHAIR REPORTS**

Treasurer Elaine Nissen reviewed the December Financial Report and reported she had filed the State Annual Report at the end of December. She noted that EOF funds were sent to the National AAUW Education & Training Fund. Co-President Cherry distributed and reviewed a copy of AAUW's funding diagram which describes the 4 areas of funding: Greatest Need, Education & Training, Economic Security and Leadership.

Program Co-Vice President Janet Arden discussed the makeup of the February Branch panel on Title IX. Program Co-Vice President Donna Jean Simon noted that the panel and following discussion could provide material for an action item. Janet briefly reviewed Branch meetings for the rest of the year and there was a brief discussion about the April 3 Book Sale Pot Luck meeting.

Program Co-Vice President Donna Jean Simon passed around a thank you note from the Glen Ellyn History Center Liaison Karen Hall in response to a plant the Board had sent apologize for the November Branch meeting going overtime.

Membership Vice President Karen Schulz reported that Branch membership currently totals 131 and that 3 or 4 potential members have expressed interest in attending the February 6 Branch Meeting. The membership count is due on February 1 and Karen stated that the current total agrees with National files. She noted that the Nominating Committee would meet on January 11 to work on a slate of candidates for President, Program Vice President and Secretary.

Public Policy Chair Patricia Spence noted that some information in the Contact Your Legislators section of the Membership Directory needs to be updated because of the November elections. She also reported that the next Social Media class will be held on January 14.

LAF Chair Mary Sue Brown had nothing to report.

Reporting for EOF Chair Susan Levy-Creed, Lisa Cherry reported that soon letters soliciting potential scholarship winners will be sent to high school counselors.

STEM Chair Fran Kravitz reported that arrangements have been made with the Glen Ellyn Police Department to host 6 STEM presentations for Girl Scouts- 3 in the spring and 3 in the fall. Fran asked the Board to consider giving her 10 minutes at a Branch meeting to allow members to work on an experiment, to help them understand what is involved in STEM presentations and to prepare volunteers to assist her.

Co-President Cherry informed the Board that although we still do not have a designated Publicity Chair, Mary Sue Brown, Patricia Spence and Debbie Ness are providing publicity for our fundraising events: Book Sale and LUNAFEST.

Because of the fact that TWIGS is no longer to be mailed (except to those without email capability), Co-President Cherry noted that some of the Newsletter Editor Duties listed in the Policy and Procedures Handbook would need to be revised. After a brief discussion, Suzanne Gagner moved that all references to copying, collating and distributing TWIGS by U.S. Mail (listed in Section 3 under Newsletter Editor Duties) be eliminated from the Policy and Procedures Manual. She further moved that members who do not have email access be supplied copies by the Board. Karen Schulz seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Book Sale Chair Nancy Possinger noted that Deb Ness has already contacted people for publicity and that Mary Sue Brown is working on an article regarding the Sale. She said that 316 boxes have been collected and that the goal is 5-600 total. She has a variety of meetings scheduled, including the kickoff meeting and signage meeting. The last meeting will be held on April 3 at the Book Sale Potluck at the Glen Ellyn History Center; at that time signs and flyers will be distributed.

LUNAFEST Chair Suzanne Gagner provided an update on LUNAFEST preparations. She distributed a Save the Date card and a program describing the short films to be shown at LUNAFEST. She reported on publicity plans which include presentations before local non-profit associations. Mary Sue Brown will be presenting information about LUNAFEST to local AAUW branches. Donna Jean Simon will advertise the program in Districts 4 and 5. Suzanne noted that she had received her first gift certificate for the raffle to be held during intermission; she will request that Branch members solicit more certificates.

#### OLD/NEW BUSINESS.

Co-President Cherry reminded members that the Spring Banquet is scheduled for May 20 at Adelle's.

At 9:12 pm Co-President Cherry closed the meeting.

*Next Board Meeting: February 13, 2019 at Lisa Cherry's Home*