

AAUW WHEATON-GLEN ELLYN BRANCH

Minutes of Board Meeting August 9, 2023

Location: Karen Allen's home (and via Zoom)

CONTENTS OF BOARD PACKET

The following items were distributed by Secretary Miller to the Branch Leadership team prior to the meeting: Agenda, 2023-2024 List of Branch Officers and Chairs, and final Board Meeting Minutes from June 14, 2023. The Zoom link will be provided by Nancy Possinger. The Financial Report and proposed budget will be sent separately by the treasurer.

IN ATTENDANCE:

In Person: Nancy Possinger*, Karen Schulz*, Maureen Sheehan*, Jean Lindsey*, Sarah Allen*, Carolyn Oesterle, Jane Palmer, and Via Zoom: Janet Miller*, Patricia Spence, Laurie Driscoll*, Patty Mugavero* and Marilyn Wiedemann

* Officers or Voting Chairs

With our 8 total Officers and Voting Chairs in attendance, the quorum rule was met.

CALL TO ORDER:

Co-President Possinger called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 pm and welcomed everybody. She thanked Sarah Allen for hosting the meeting and Karen Schulz for providing snacks.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Secretary Miller called for any additional corrections or additions to the June 14, 2023 Board Meeting minutes. Hearing none, A motion to accept the minutes was made by Carolyn Oesterle and seconded by Karen Schulz. the motion passed.

REMARKS FROM INCOMING CO-PRESIDENTS:

Co-Presidents Nancy Possinger and Karen Schulz thanked the incoming Officers and Chairs of the 2023-2024 Board. An updated board list will be sent out soon.

- AAUW New Mission: "Gender Equality and Economic Security" may replace old mission.
- Signing Forms: Conflict of Interest Policy, were distributed. A form will be emailed to board members not present or attending the meeting via Zoom. The forms can be sent back through email or snail mail to Karen Schulz, 761 Glenbard Rd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
- Technology Chair is a possible addition to the board. This would be a rotating position to set up Zoom or other technology related equipment for meetings.
- Board Meeting Hosts and Co-hosts needed for upcoming meetings.
- Central States Regional Conference – October 19-21 -St. Louis Speaker- Lisa Maatz – Public Policy and Organization Consultant

OFFICER REPORTS:

Treasurer:

Treasurer Sheehan presented an extensive review of the proposed 2023-2024 branch budget. A few adjustments were recommended by the board to modify the final version of the proposal. An updated version of the budget will be sent to the Finance Committee. The proposed budget will be presented to the membership at the September General Meeting and voted on at the October Meeting.

- A balance of \$23,457.28 are the assets of the branch as of this meeting.
- An audit of the budget was conducted and approved.

- The branch will be looking into new bookkeeping software.

Membership Vice President:

Membership VP Allen reported that the branch now has 117 members. A new member event will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 7pm, at Sarah Allen's home. Membership information will be updated. Any purchases made will use local businesses. Name tags will be used at meetings to indicate members and visitors. Ideas for outreach were discussed to encourage attendance at general meetings. Possibly creating a mentor list was one idea.

Program Vice President Report:

Co-Vice President Lindsey previewed the list of speakers being arranged for the 2023-2024 year. Seven of eight programs are scheduled. The September program features a presentation about artificial intelligence. The speaker is Jason Spencer, Director of Innovation and Technology, District 200. His presentation entitled, "The Robot Uprising in Schools" will explore AI's effect on student learning and teaching delivery.

The September meeting is scheduled for September 6, 6:45pm at the Glen Ellyn Police Station. A gelato treat will be served. A showcase of various book groups and highlights of planned activities will be featured.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Sale

The Book Sale Chair is Karla Bullett. She is unable to attend this meeting. She has submitted an article for the newsletter. She is in contact with the Downers Grove Branch who may have useful supplies for us to use at the next book sale.

Cultural Arts

Co-chair Patricia Spence reported nothing has been scheduled for this year. Any suggestions are welcome for planning events for branch members.

Fund Raising Walk

Chair Carolyn Oesterle reported on the Fall Fundraising Walk at Hidden Lake, September 22, 9am. Contributions help our Opportunities Fund for AAUW priorities and our local scholarships. More information will be in the newsletter.

Twigs

Articles are due to Kathy McCullough by 5pm on August 15th

COMMITTEES NOT REPORTING

Not reporting: AAUW Online, AIR Study Group, Branch Buddy, Community Relations, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Fall Fundraiser, Historian, Publicity, Public Policy and STEM

New Business

Change of Branch and Board Meeting Dates for consideration. This topic will be discussed at future board meetings.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: September 13, 7pm, at Nancy Possinger's house

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:23 pm, Jean Lindsey moved to adjourn the meeting. Maureen Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.