

AAUW WHEATON-GLEN ELLYN BRANCH

Minutes of Board Meeting April 10, 2024

Location: Zoom

CONTENTS OF BOARD PACKET

The following items were distributed by Secretary Miller to the Branch Leadership team prior to the meeting: Agenda, Board Meeting Minutes from March 2024, and the Zoom link.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nancy Possinger*, Karen Schulz*(Late), Janet Miller*, Jean Lindsey* Sarah Allen*, Susan Hagerty*, Laurie Driscoll*, Ewa Bacon, Patricia Spense (Late), Marilyn Mayer Wiedemann, Jane Palmer, and Marie Corcoran

* Officers or Voting Chairs

With our 6 total Officers and Voting Chairs in attendance at the beginning of the meeting, the quorum rule was not met. This unusual occurrence will impact some of the business conducted at the meeting. I have identified these agenda items with a hashtag# There are three items to address. We need to review these items of business at the next board meeting when a quorum is met. Hopefully, May 15.

CALL TO ORDER:

Co-President Possinger called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Secretary Miller called for any additional corrections or additions to the March, 2024 Board Meeting minutes. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Sarah Allen and seconded by Jean Lindsey, the motion passed.

REMARKS FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS:

- Thank you to everyone for participation at the April branch meeting. There was excellent attendance again. The program was an informative topic about plastics and possible ways to cut back on plastic use.
- May Activities: The branch will participate in the Lombard Lilac Parade on May 19, kickoff at 1:30pm. The May 15 Board Meeting will be combined with a transition meeting.
- The Illinois AAUW convention is April 19-20 at Elgin Community College. Illinois AAUW celebrates its 100th year anniversary. A table for the branch will be available to highlight Wheaton-Glen Ellyn accomplishments. Marilyn Mayer Wiedemann has most of the archives that can be used to organize information that can be used for the branch display.
- New Illinois State Officers will be installed at the convention.
- Funds are available to reimburse branch attendees.
- # A motion was made "to donate \$600 from the branch to NCCWSL (National Conference for College Women Student leaders)" The motion was made by Janet Miller and seconded by Laurie Driscoll. The motion passed.
- # Change in Board meetings, A motion was made, " Board meetings will be held the last Tuesday of the month and branch meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of the month" The motion was made by Laurie Driscoll and seconded by Susan Hagerty. The motion passed.
- Susan Peters will be the new Twigs editor. She will be taking over the position from Kathleen McCullough who has served so well.
- June 1 Spring Luncheon at Adelle's in Wheaton. Turn in RSVP to Laura Desmarais by May 20.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Treasurer:

- The March Finance Report reflects the refund from COD. March and April reports will be sent before the next board meeting.

Membership Vice President:

- There are currently 118 members.
- The April program at the Glen Ellyn Police Department was successful. There were 38 branch members, 3 visitors, 7 Zoom members, 2 Zoom Guests.
- A compiled attendance spreadsheet will be shared to analyze data for future plans.
- 50 year members to recognize are Sharon Kendall and Susanne Balk.
- Information about Branch Renewals will be available in July.

Program Vice President Report:

The Program Meeting for next year will be at Jean Lindsey's house, 7 pm. The January branch meeting will be Zoom only. There are usually advantages to having in-person meetings. The September meeting will showcase "Scholarship Winners".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Sale

- There is no report from Karla Bullett or Carolyn Oesterle.
- As of March 28, 3000 books have been collected.
- Collection sites begin in May.
- Possible plans for leftovers still to be determined.
- Lilac Parade, May 19 at 1:30. Walkers will be needed.

Public Policy

No report.

Cultural

- The Ellen Martin Prairie Walk has been postponed until there is better weather.
- Members of Cultural Arts will attend a breakfast lecture at Cantigny Park about the upcoming DuPage wide hosting of Olmec sculptures. The event is April 26 and the deadline for confirming participation is April 8, 9 am.

AIR and CAC

No report

Fundraising Walk

Plans for the Fall Fundraising Walk should be ready for a report at the May Board Meeting.

Old Business

A Hospitality Chair is needed. The membership should be surveyed about whether to continue having treats at branch meetings.

Twigs

Articles are due to Kathy McCullough by 5pm, April 15.

COMMITTEES NOT REPORTING

Not reporting: STEM, AAUW Online, Public Policy

NEXT BOARD MEETING: May 15, 7pm This will also be a transition meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:50 PM