

AAUW WHEATON-GLEN ELLYN BRANCH

Minutes of Board Meeting March 13, 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 February, 2024, and the Zoom link.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nancy Possinger*, Karen Schulz*, Janet Miller*, Maureen Sheehan*, Sarah Allen*, Laurie Driscoll*, Fran Kravitz*, Ewa Bacon, Karla Bullett*, Caroline Oesterle, Susan Levy Creed*, and Marie Corcoran

* Officers or Voting Chairs

With our 9 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 everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Secretary Miller called for any additional corrections or additions to the February, 2024 Board Meeting minutes. One correction was made for the spelling of the location of the book sale to **Westfield School**. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Sarah Allen and seconded by Laurie Driscoll, the motion passed.

REMARKS FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS:

- Thank you to everyone for participation at the March branch meeting. There was excellent attendance again.
- May Activities: There will be no branch meeting in May. The branch will participate in the Lombard Lilac Parade on May 19, kickoff at 1:30pm.
- Voting opens for Open AAUW Membership on April 3. Members will receive an email message with all the information needed to vote.
- 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.
- The Annual Business Meeting of the branch will be held in April instead of March. Officer voting will be held at the meeting. Installation of officers will be done at the June luncheon. Officers will begin their positions in August.
- Maureen Sheehan will check the procedure to make contributions to NCCWSL. There has been a change in choosing designated funds for contributions.
- A proposal for changing the dates of board meetings was discussed. Members of the board will be contacted to see if changing the meetings to the last Tuesday of the month will be acceptable. This would allow board meetings to take place before branch meetings. Further discussion and action will take place at the April board meeting.
- Susan Peters will be the new Twigs editor. She will be taking over the position from Kathleen McCullough who has served so well.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Treasurer:

- The branch is in a good financial position. There were no questions about the budget report.
- Zell will be available for branch business. It will be available for the book sale.
- Maureen clarified which funds were used for the \$3000 allocated to AAUW Funds. They were the Education and Training Fund, the Leadership Fund, and the Economic Security Fund.

Membership Vice President:

- There are currently 118 members.
- The March program at the Wheaton Library was successful. There were 37 branch members, 13 visitors, and 30 Zoom attendees.
- 50 membership brochures have been printed. Some are needed for the STEM science boxes.

Program Vice President Report:

The April program will be a presentation by Jacquelyn Casazza, Plastic Pollution, Community Solution at the Glen Ellyn Police Department and via Zoom. Appropriate cups and service items for refreshments will be sensitive to recycling guidelines.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Sale

- The contract has been signed for the use of Westfield School.
- Carolyn Oesterle will oversee sorting.
- Participation in the Lombard Lilac Parade has been confirmed. Nancy's convertible will be available. Signs will be made. Walkers will be needed.
- Yard signs will be purchased.
- Marilyn Wiedemann will be keeping track of collection numbers. At least 50 books per member would be ideal.
- Publicity – An advertisement for bookfinders.com has been purchased. Suzanne Gagner will be working on publicity for the sale.

Public Policy

All polling places will be open for the March 19 election.

AIR and CAC

The AIR study group has been meeting every other month as various strands have been researched and posted.

CAC discussed behavioral interventions at the last meeting. This was highlighted because of an incident in the school district.

Nominating Committee

The Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW nominees for 2024-2026 are: Heidi Fraser, Treasurer. Susan Hagerty and Marie Corcoran, Membership

Twigs

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

COMMITTEES NOT REPORTING

Not reporting: STEM, Cultural, AAUW Online

NEXT BOARD MEETING: April 10, 7pm This will be a ZOOM only meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:52 PM