AAUW GREENSBORO BOARD MINUTES

MINUTES: Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 5:30 PM

Location: Home of Mary Fran Schickedantz, 2809 Watauga Drive, Greensboro, NC

Members Present: Debra Richardson, President - Sue Mengert, Program VP - Mary Fran Schickedantz, Treasurer - Cheryl Wheaton, President-Elect - Dot Mason, Public Policy - Libby Haile, Fundraising - Peggy Knox, Spring Luncheon - Catherine Magid, Newsletter - Charlotte Divitci, New Members - Janie Dominique, Publicity - Jane Terwillegar, Secretary

SUBJECT	Discussions/Decisions			
Welcome/Introductions	Welcome by Debra Richardson, President			
Minutes, Jan. 14, 2014	No corrections, filed as printed.			
Financial Report – Mary Fran Schickedantz	As of Jan. 31, the balance is \$3,132.85. In late December, contributions of \$700 were sent to National, distributed among these AAUW funds: Unrestricted LAF Support \$100 National Conference of College Women \$100 Carol R Virostek Campus Leadership \$100 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund \$100 Public Policy Fund \$100 Ann Chipley (1995-96) \$100 AAUW Funds \$100 Treasurer Schickedantz filed a report with the Secretary (see attached) indicating that from Jan. 01 to Dec. 31, 2013, the Branch contributed \$2,402 to national funds. This brings our 2013 total contribution close to \$30 per member, a figure that more than meets the stated goal of \$25 annually per member. We are still waiting for \$500 from AAUW NC for \$tart \$mart mini-grant. Tech Savvy's \$8000 award from AAUW goes directly to UNCG for distribution (Branch partner for the workshop).			
\$tart \$mart – Jane Terwillegar	Beth Walker reports 11 students have registered to date. Lunches will cost \$9 and Dr. Walker is working on ways to finance this expense. It was suggested we invite observers, such as Yardley Hunter or Leonna LaPerriere, who might become local \$tart \$mart presenters. Catherine Magid will take photos that day.			
Tech Savvy – Mary Fran Schickedantz	PayPal is set up for online registration payments (funded with a contribution of \$50 from Julie Staley). To accept checks by mail, a PO Box was rented for \$23 (for 3 months – a <i>Tech Savvy</i> expense). Treasurer Schickedantz made this motion: The Branch adopt the PO Box after <i>Tech Savvy</i> and continue to use it for all mail – at an annual cost of \$92.00. No 2 nd was required and following a brief discussion, the motion was adopted by a voice vote. *** PO Box 10754, Greensboro, NC 27404 *** (at Friendly PO station)			

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Tech Savvy – Mary Fran Schickedantz There was further discussion about continuing the PayPal account for branch activities; no action taken. Laura Tew submitted a news article about *Tech Savy to the News & Record that was published Feb. 11 (see attached). Treasurer* Schickedantz reported on fundraising to meet the total expenses of *Tech Savvy*. AAUW expects workshop expenses will be about \$7000 more than the \$8000 grant, but most will be "in kind" (example: rent for UNCG labs). The *Tech Savvy* Finance committee estimates at least \$2000 more has to be raised locally to cover the cost of T-Shirts and box lunches. Sherri Brown, new member, is assisting with fundraising. To date, 78 girls are registered.

Downton Abbey High Tea - Catherine Magid

The tea fundraiser is sold out with 75 tickets paid and a waiting list. Donations total \$835 to date. With \$1320 paid for tickets, the total is \$2155 in gross profit (expenses still to be deducted). A number of dignitaries, such as Mayor Nancy Vaughn, have been invited and, for atmosphere and picture taking, there will be a 1929 roadster in the drive. (See attached list of paid guests.) Entertainment is planned: two of David Haley's students from Greensboro Opera, some guests appearing as Downton Abbey characters, and instrumental music. More volunteers for wait staff are needed and Elaine Ostrowski, as Mrs. Hughes, will be keeping all characters in line. The committee is still seeking donations and anyone helping with donations for the High Tea should use Branch letterhead stationary to make a formal request.

Spring Luncheon – Peggy Knox

Chair Knox provided a written report (see attached). Board members recommended printing 200 invitations to include Tar Heel members (NC online), Branch members and invited guests. It was also recommended the Starmount ballroom be chosen, regardless of the number of attendees. The title of UNCG Chancellor's speech is "Engaged Universities Connecting Communities and Generations." The committee will ask Beth Walker to introduce Dr. Brady and Sue Metz to be Master of Ceremonies. It was suggested that the invitation/flyer include a form for reservations, along with payment information. The new PO Box address will be used for return of reservations and checks.

New Members – Charlotte Divitci

President Richardson opened the discussion by suggesting *Art on Market* as a possible location for a wine & cheese event and there was other discussion about setting a date in late spring or during the summer. Mary Woodrow also offered her home. **Chair Divitci will bring a specific proposal to the Board in April.**

Newsletter – Cheryl Wheaton

President-Elect Wheaton made this motion: Begin sending the Branch newsletter by email and give members the option of signing up at the March 11th meeting, using their preferred email address. (2nd by Dot Mason) Following a brief discussion about cost and giving members a choice between PO mail or email, the motion was approved by a voice vote.

Page 3 Chair Mason offered two main suggestions for considering public policy **Public Policy** – Dot emphasis in the coming year: 1) more direct lobbying with local and Mason state representatives and direct participation in lobby days at the NC State Legislature or, 2) increased efforts to participate in voter registration efforts, particularly for college students. The discussion will be continued at the next meeting in April. A draft agenda for the annual meeting on March 11th was attached to Annual Meeting, 3/11 the Board agenda. There was no discussion. **Announcements** AAUW NC's annual meeting is March 29 in Burlington. Members not engaged in *Tech Savvy* that day are encouraged to attend. Sue Mengert, Cheryl Wheaton and Debra Richardson will represent the Branch. Bennett College has signed the agreement to be an AAUW **College University Partner,** working with our Branch. This is a major step in meeting one of this year's Branch goals. Current College University Partners are UNCG, Guilford College and Bennett College. **Adjournment** The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. Remaining meetings for 2013-2014 year: Tuesday, April 8, 2014 Tuesday, May 13, 2014 (Joint meeting with old and new boards) **Note: Attachments are attached only to the file copy of the Board minutes.