

## AAUW GREENSBORO BOARD MINUTES

**Date:** Tuesday, October 21, 2014 @ 5:30 PM

**Members Present:** Cheryl Wheaton, President – Mary Fran Schickedantz, Treasurer – Linda Jensen, Vice President – Charlotte Divitici, New Members – Ellie Dolata, Fund Raising – Sue Metz, Fall Luncheon – Mary Woodrow, Book Browsers – Sue Mengert, C/U Liaison – Marilyn Cotton-McMichael, Hospitality – Janie Dominique, Nominations – Jane Terwillegar, Secretary

<i><b>SUBJECT</b></i>	<i><b>DISCUSSION/DECISIONS</b></i>
<b>Welcome/Introductions</b>	Meeting called to order at 6:00 Pm by President Cherrie Wheaton. Since Chair Metz needed to leave for another engagement, <b>President Wheaton asked for a motion to amend the agenda and begin first with the Fall Luncheon report. Ellie Dolata so moved (2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Mengert) and the motion passed by voice vote.</b>
<b>Fall Luncheon</b>	<p>Chair Metz reported that luncheon invitations were mailed to all members. (See attached invitation.) Sponsorship was added this year, with four levels:            Level 1 - \$50.00, Level 2 - \$100.00            Level 3 - \$50.00 with lunch included, Level 4 - \$100.00 with lunch included</p> <p>Flossie Smith and Elaine Moorehead volunteered to provide table decorations, with a door prize for each table. Sandra Hughes, retired TV news anchor, will be the speaker and sponsorship donations will help to pay her fee. The raffle and silent auction will be in the rotunda and hall at the Bennett Global Center. Mary Ellen Schifflett, who designed the invitations, will also be asked to help with the program. Laura Tew and Janie Dominique will provide publicity, both print &amp; social media and email announcements.</p>
<b>Fund Raising</b>	<p>Chair Dolata made a request for additional items to add to the silent auction and raffle. Carmen Redding and President Wheaton will make up baskets and help prepare the auction and raffle items on Wed, Nov. 5 at Cherrie’s home. Volunteers are welcome to help. Treasurer Schickedantz checked on last year’s fundraising: \$246 for the raffle, and over \$700 for the silent auction items. Traditionally silent auction funds go to AAUW national to support their funds. (Along with individual member donations to AAUW, the silent auction funds help make up the \$30.00 per member the Board donates as our annual Branch contribution to AAUW foundations.)</p>
<b>Financial Report</b>	<p>Treasurer Schickedantz provided the financial report (See attached.) She is projecting 85 members for this fiscal year, with \$325 added as income from dues (at \$13 each). Spendable income forwarded from June 30, 2014 is \$11,637.44. After including a line item for the expenses to various committees, the budget allows \$1,750 for other local projects in 2014-2015. Separate STEM funds include <i>IT is for Girls</i> - \$5,856.00 and <i>Tech Savvy</i> - \$2,706.27. Hospitality Chair Cotton-McMichael indicated she was close to spending her budget of \$100 and requested an increase. <b>Ellie Dolata made the motion to “increase the Hospitality budget by \$75” (2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Mengert). Sue Mengert also added an amendment, “members also contribute refreshments for our meetings” (2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Woodrow). The amendment passed by voice vote and, the main motion was passed by voice vote.</b> Since there was no further discussion of the budget as presented, <b>President Wheaton called the question on approving the proposed budget, as amended, for 2014-2015. The budget passed by voice vote.</b></p>

<p><b>Program</b></p>	<p>Chair Jensen provided a brief report on programs for the remaining meetings. The January Soup dinner meeting on Women’s Health will be planned by Catherine Magid and the March meeting on Global Women’s Issues is being planned by Greta Boyd. She reported the October meeting planned by Laura Tew with the panel of Margaret Arbuckle, Joy Cook and Anita Bachmann was highly successful.</p>
<p><b>Public Policy/Communications</b></p>	<p>As Chair Laura Tew was unable to attend the Board meeting, Janie Dominique reported the committee was working on publicity for the Fall Luncheon and she provided a copy of the ad our Branch purchased in the convention issue for the National Council of Negro Women.</p>
<p><b>C/U Liaison</b></p>	<p>Chair Mengert reported on the status of our <i>start smart</i> workshops, as no dates were final for UNCG, Guilford College or Bennett College. However, both Guilford and UNCG were working on their plans. High Point University is moving forward directly with AAUW for their <i>start smart</i> workshop. The Liaison committee was meeting Friday, Oct. 24 to work on plans and procedures for the coming year. Chair Mengert provided a draft of criteria for selection of candidates to send to NCCWSL and indicated that she had not heard recently from Kim Hewitt, who is chairing the selection process.</p>
<p><b>Tech Savvy</b></p>	<p>Treasurer Schickedantz announced the Branch was successful with the grant application to AAUW for \$4000 for another <i>Tech Savvy</i> day on March 28, 2015. Laura Tew has been working on a fund raising plan to provide the additional funding required. <b>Jane Terwillegar introduced a Mini-Grant request to AAUW North Carolina for a grant of \$500 for Triad Tech Savvy. Since this came as a request from the STEM Committee, no motion was required and the Board approved submitting the Mini-Grant request to AAUW North Carolina by voice vote.</b></p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>President Wheaton asked the Board to consider an early election for the office of Treasurer, since the term ends on June 30, 2015 and it is critical that an incoming Treasurer have an opportunity to work with the present Treasurer before taking full responsibility. It was noted that we approve nominations in March, so if the Nominations Committee could provide a nominee as early as January, and the person nominated for the office of Treasurer could begin shadowing Mary Fran immediately. That will allow the Board to accomplish the same goal without changing our bylaws. Since there is no job description for Treasurer, President Wheaton asked Mary Fran to provide one. <b>Nominations Chair Dominique agreed to begin working on early nominations.</b></p> <p>President Wheaton also spoke of the need for someone to take charge of creating copy and graphics for our several avenues of communications: <i>Twitter, FaceBook</i>, newsletter, newspaper announcements, and other means of communicating our Branch activities. Laura Tew has been doing most of this work, but needs help with creating the content for all of these postings. Since Catherine Magid has been physically unable to provide a newsletter this fall, our contact with members has been limited to online sources. President Wheaton will check first with Catherine about the possibilities of a January newsletter and will also ask Mary Ellen Shiflett if she will be willing to work with Laura Tew by taking on additional responsibilities for producing content and graphics for all our Branch publications.</p> <p>President Wheaton presented a written report from an Ad Hoc group charged with investigating a fundraiser similar to <i>Antiques Roadshow</i>. They have been investigating possible venues and other groups that have done similar</p>

**Adjournment**

fundraising activities. **Jane Terwillegar made the motion, "to continue with the committee looking into *Hidden Treasures* as a possible fundraiser sometime late spring or early fall" (2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Mengert). The motion passed by voice vote and President Wheaton agreed to come back with further planning results for the next Board meeting.**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9, at Mary Fran's home, with supper provided by Mary Fran and Mary Woodward. The main focus of that meeting will be discussion of the "hidden Treasures" fund raiser. Members will be invited to join the discussion. **Mary Woodward moved to adjourn at 8:35 PM (2<sup>nd</sup> Janie Dominique). The motion was passed by a voice vote.**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at home of Mary Fran Schickedantz.**

*\*Attachments are not emailed with the minutes, but are attached to the minutes filed in the Board Minutes Book.*

