

## AAUW Greensboro Board Meeting Minutes

For Board Approval

Date: April 17 2018 1:30 P.M.

Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro (CFGG)

Members Present: **Libby Haile**, President; **Lena Murrill-Chapman**, President 2018-2020; **Peggy Knox**, Vice President/program; **Ann Schwabeland**, Membership; **Millie Hoffer-Foushee**, Treasurer; **Laura Tew**, Public Policy/Outreach; **Mary Fran Schickedantz**, Nominations; **Sue Mengert**, Secretary

Also present: **Cherrie Wheaton**, Member AAUW Greensboro and Co-President, AAUW NC

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION/DECISIONS</b>
<b>Welcome</b>	The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Libby Haile.
<b>Board Minutes February 20, 2018</b>	<b>Peggy Knox made a motion to “Approve the minutes of the February 20, 2018 Board Meeting.” (2<sup>nd</sup> Laura Tew) The motion passed with a voice vote.</b>
<b>Membership Report</b>	<p>Membership Chair Ann Schwabeland reported 88 paid members on the AAUW national database. There was also a new transfer member, Audrey Lavery. Chair Schwabeland informed the Board that any person who joins AAUW after March 15 will be considered a member through June 30, 2019, and AAUW Greensboro earned four free national memberships because current branch members recruited four new members. The Membership Committee recommended that each member who had recruited a new member should be given one of the <u>free national memberships</u>. Two members of the Board were among those who had recruited a new member; each of those Board members declined receiving a free national membership. Following discussion about the recommendation, <b>Lena Murrill-Chapman made a motion to “Table the discussion until the Membership Committee reported back to the board with another plan for the Board to consider at the May Board meeting” (2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Fran Schickedantz) The motion was approved by voice vote.</b></p>
<b>Financial Report</b>	<p>Treasurer Millie Hoffer-Foushee distributed and discussed two financial statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*AAUW Greensboro Balance Sheet as of April 17, 2018. There was discussion about restricted funds, which can only be used for the specific purpose for which it was contributed and non-restricted funds about which the Board can make decisions. There are three unrestricted funds.</li> <li>*AAUW Greensboro Profit and Loss July 1, 2017- April 17, 2018.</li> </ul> <p>(Copy of each statement attached to filed minutes.)</p>
<b>Hospitality</b>	2018-2020 AAUW Greensboro President Lena Murrill-Chapman reported that she has in mind as Hospitality Co-chairs two women who will soon be joining the branch. Both have experience serving in that role.
<b>Public Policy and Outreach</b>	*Outreach Chair Laura Tew reported that April NOTES were emailed to an updated mailing list of 140 via Mail Chimp; a payment page and website was set up for the April 21 <sup>st</sup> Luncheon; Face Book ads were run for April 9 <sup>th</sup> Triad Tech Savvy as well as the April 21st Spring Luncheon; and the April 18 Work Smart workshop.
<b>Grants Received</b>	<p>Chair Tew reported information about grants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Grants awarded by the National Center for Women in Information Technology (NCWIT) for AAUW Greensboro Branch <i>Education Programs</i>. Greensboro Branch is the fiscal agent for the second year and Dr. Lakshmi Iyer is the program director.</li> </ol>

<p><b>Grant Pending</b></p>	<p>2) AAUW (national) Community Action Grant! This \$10,000 two-year grant, payable to the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro (CFGG), is for <i>Degrees Matter</i>. (Women in non-traditional fields/ -a six-week program in welding)</p> <p>3) Application pending to VF Corporation Foundation – This proposal and request will fund <i>AAUW STEMPack Aerospace Engineering</i> offered by NC State A &amp; T Engineering for middle school girls in 2018-2019. Other entities will be approached for matching gifts.</p>
<p><b>Grants Awarded by AAUW Greensboro</b></p>	<p>As part of <i>AAUW Triad Tech Savvy Find Your STEM Three-year Plan Competition</i>, cash prizes were awarded from the Find Your STEM grant (Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro, The Future Fund \$4,350) Grants were awarded by AAUW Greensboro Branch Education Program to four high school students who submitted their three-year plans: Sophomore Sydney Barron \$200 (GTCC Early/Middle College); Sophomore Sophia Carpenter \$100 (Northwest Guilford); Junior Melanie Cohen \$100 (Grimsley); Freshman Ananya Sharma \$100 (Grimsley). Judges were Barbara Carter and Amesha Green.</p>
<p><b>NC Justice Center</b></p>	<p>Cherrie Wheaton, AAUW NC Co-President, announced that planning is in progress for a summer workshop for Branch leaders to be presented by the NC Justice Center.</p>
<p><b>Spring Luncheon Details</b></p>	<p>Spring Luncheon Chair Victoria Paterline reported the members who had volunteered to assist: Mary Ellen Shiflett, <u>invitations</u>; Ann Schwabeland, <u>member name tags</u>; Elaine Morehead, <u>Greeters</u>; Mary Fran Schickedantz and Laura Tew, <u>table decorations</u>; Mary Ellen Shiflett, <u>name tags for guests</u>, <u>printed program</u>; Cherrie Wheaton <u>photographer</u>; Mary Woodrow, <u>sale of raffle tickets</u>. Chair Paterline also mentioned several other arrangements: the suggestion that committee chairs bring baskets or items for the raffle; there will be three reserved tables; the speaker will be given a mug as token gift; and Millie Hoffer-Foushee will conduct the installation of officers.</p>
<p><b>College/University Liaison</b></p>	<p>Three students at AAUW Greensboro Partner Colleges/Universities (C/Us) were awarded scholarships to the National Conference of College Women Student Leaders at the University of Maryland at College Park: Shyree Anderson (NC A &amp; T); Miesha Moore (UNCG); Nandi Reed-Bandele (Bennett). They will be introduced during the Spring Luncheon by Dr. Kimberly Hewitt, Branch Coordinator of the NCCWSL Scholarships Project.</p>
<p><b>Tornado Relief Needed in Community</b></p>	<p>Laura Tew proposed that AAUW Greensboro help the East Greensboro community recover from the tragic disaster caused by the recent tornado. There was unanimous agreement among Board members that the Branch assist with the recovery in an explicit way. By consensus, the Board approved that “AAUW Greensboro will donate all profit from the Spring Luncheon and Celebration to tornado recovery of the three public schools that were extremely impacted by the tornado on April 15, 2018.” In addition to donating all profit from the luncheon, members and guests will be provided with envelopes in which to add their contributions.</p>
<p><b>“Backpack Full of Cash”</b></p>	<p>Sue Mengert distributed flyers describing the May 17<sup>th</sup> showing of the movie, “Backpack Full of Cash,” which is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of the Piedmont Triad (LWVPT), Public Schools First, and Guilford County Association of Educators. The movie shows the negative impact on public schools of tax payer money going to support vouchers and charter schools. The Board agreed that AAUW Greensboro be listed on the flyer as one of the sponsors. (Flyer with AAUW Greensboro name added is attached to filed minutes.)</p> <p>The movie and discussion will begin at 6:00 PM at Greensboro College, Odell Building, Huggins Performance Center. Sue Mengert represents AAUW Greensboro on the LWVPT Education Roundtable Strategic Planning Committee, which is responsible for bringing “Backpack Full of Cash” to the community. Dot Kearns and Willie Taylor Co-Chair the Education Roundtable.</p>

**Adjournment**

**Peggy Knox made a motion to “Adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m.”** (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Schwabeland) The motion was approved by voice vote.

**Future Dates**

**Board Meeting Dates during AAUW Fiscal Year 2017-2018** (ends June 30):  
May 15 June 19

**Tuesday, June 19 – JOINT MEETING of Current Board and 2018-2019 Board**

You and your friends are invited to a free screening and discussion on May 17<sup>th</sup> of “**Backpack Full of Cash**,” a feature length documentary that explores the growing privatization of public schools and the resulting negative impact on America’s most vulnerable children. Understanding the importance of the issue, the League of Women Voters of the Piedmont Triad Education Roundtable has arranged for the showing of the film in Greensboro. Other event hosts include Public Schools First NC, Guilford County Association of Educators and *AAUW Greensboro*. Privatization of public schools strikes at the very heart of our country’s most democratic institution and has serious consequences for local public school systems and communities across the nation, including Guilford County. It is a critical issue to explore and understand. (For additional information contact

Sue Mengert ([smengert@mindspring.com](mailto:smengert@mindspring.com) or 336 – 288-1420)

When and Where: Thursday, May 17 at 6:00 PM at Greensboro College, Higgins Performance Center in the Odell Building

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