

AAUW MO STATE BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES

SATURDAY JANUARY 26, 2013

Individual reports could not be included because of size limitations. To view the reports, contact the webmanager.

**Called to Order:**

President Linda Berube called meeting to order at HyVee, Columbia MO at 9:10AM

**Quorum Status-** A quorum was determined by Yvonne Morrison

**List of Attendees:**

**Board Members:** Linda Berube, Jane Biers, Carol Davis-McDonald, Nancy Hutchins, Diane Ludwig, Deborah McWard, Yvonne Morrison, Lynn Roney, Joanie Shores, Toni Thornton, Julia Triplett, Linda Vestal, Renée Hornsby

**Committee Members:** Patricia Braley, Shirley Breeze, Holly Burgess, Ellen Johnson, Alyse Stoll, Betty Takahashi (pm only)

**Unable to Attend:** Sue Barley, Kathryn Childers, Joyce Katz, Pam Kulp, Patricia Shores, Alice Reese, Pam Burke

**Approval of October Minutes:**

Yvonne Morrison presented on Sue Barley's behalf recommendations for the following corrections to be done to the October Minutes:

- A list of written reports received be included in the minutes with a note that they are attached to the minutes
- May 2012 State Minutes have been reviewed by Jane Bier and Sue Barley and have been sent to the President to be sent out to the members before May 2013 meeting.
- It was decided that Northern Clay County branch would be given time to file disbandment papers. If they had not done so by the January Board meeting, the Board would take the initiative to disband the branch.
- There was no motion to let Julie Triplett be a member of the Board for two more years.

**Approval of October Minutes:**

**MOTION:** Nancy Hutchinson moved to approve October Board Minutes

**MOTION:** Seconded by Yvonne Morrison

**MOTION:** Approved

**Appointment of Readers for January Minutes:**

Linda Berube appointed Diane Ludwig and Deborah McWard

**President's Report (Attached):** Linda Berube

- President Linda Berube announced that the State directory has been published. The directory is now in a clear covered binder that allows Board members to remove and replace outdated material. Board members and Branch Presidents are to receive copies.
- Susie Watson has resigned as Communication Chair. Working with Lynn Roney and Joyce Katz to find replacement with computer skills and AAUW knowledge.

**Secretary's Report:**

Nothing to report

**Finance Officer Report (Attached):** Carol Davis McDonald

- Check request forms have been sent for members to download
- NCCWSL scholarship of \$400.00 was approved by Linda Berube. There was further discussion of possibly increasing the scholarship amount.
- Report will be filed for financial review.

**Vice President for Program (Attached):** Diane Ludwig

- Presented Illinois-Missouri Convention Agenda and Budget drafts. Board members further discussed Convention theme, options for places to have Friday night Board dinner, beverage break options, keynote luncheon/dinner speakers, breakout sessions options, sponsors for Eleanor Roosevelt Walk, pre-conference outing options, sales table charge, room costs and Board member assistance. Details in upcoming newsletter.
- Julia will coordinate roommate request for convention hotel rooms via e-mail.
- Deadline has been extended to March 1<sup>st</sup> for Branch members to apply for Pegg Witt incentive grant funds to attend convention.

**Vice President for Membership Report (Attached):-** Pam Burke (not present)

- Ellen Johnson presented updated information.
- Northern Clay County and Rolla have life members. Their status will be looked in to regarding disbandment of Branches. President Linda Berube encouraged process of disbandment to be continued forward.
- Raytown dues were received late.
- It was noted that when members pay dues directly to National, data base is updated faster.

**AAUW National Leadership Corps:** Shirley Breeze

Presented packet of handouts including a calendar of upcoming events and info on key AAUW issues in MO for discussion.

**Nominating Committee Report (Attached):** Ellen Johnson, Patricia Braley, Terri Brecht, Linda Vestal, and Lorraine Whittington

The following officer nominees for 2013 have accepted nomination:

President elect: Diane Ludwig-Columbia Branch - **Accepted**

Program Vice President: Holly Burgess-Columbia Branch - **Accepted**

Secretary: Renee Hornsby-Nevada Branch- **Accepted**

Election will be at the State Convention in May in St. Louis.

**Public Policy Report (Attached)** : Nancy Hutchins, Joanie Shores, Holly Burgess (not present)

- Joanie Shores presented info regarding CQ (Congressional Quarterly) State Track, a new AAUW program that tracks state legislation that affects AAUW Priority Issues with automatic e-mails to members.
- Nancy Hutchins presented handouts – and discussed upcoming April 17 Equal Pay Day Rally at the capitol in Jefferson City.

**Branch Incentive Grants Report (Attached)**: Pam Kulp (not present), Alyse Stoll Report was presented.

Discussion was held regarding the awarding of available grant monies (\$750) for upcoming Convention and encouraging branches to apply for these monies.

**MOTION: Linda Vestal moved that AAUW MO will grant ten \$75 for State Convention registrations from the Branch Incentive Program to Missouri branches, with no more than 2 per branch and with priority to branch members which have not attended since 2010.**

**MOTION: Seconded by Diane Ludwig**

Further discussion occurred regarding the motion.

**MOTION: Julie Triplett moved to amend the motion to remove the term “members.”**

**MOTION: Seconded by Jane Biers**

Linda Vestal accepted amendment.

**MOTION: Approved**

**MOTION: Julie Triplett moved that the Committee be authorized to increase the grant amount to recipients if all ten awards are not applied for.**

**MOTION: Seconded by Lynn Roney**

**MOTION: Approved**

**College/University Relations Report (Attached)**: Deborah McWard, Linda Vestal Report was presented.

**AAUW Funds Report (Attached)**: Toni Thornton Report was presented.

**Past President Report (Attached):** Julia Triplett  
Report was presented.

**Web Manager Report (Attached):** Joyce Katz, Lynne Roney  
Lynne Roney presented report.

Linda Berube announced that Joyce Katz and Lynne Roney would help fill the gap resulting from the recent resignation of the Communication Chair. As of now, coverage of this position will only be until the end of the year.

Discussion was held regarding the merging of the Communications Chair position with Web Manager position beginning 2014 or appointing a standing Communications /Website Committee. Consideration of current Bylaws regarding this merger was also noted.

**Historian Report (Attached):** Jane Biers  
Report was presented.

Jane requested to please present documents/newsletters with page numbers, issue and volume identifiers when sending her archival documents.

**Bylaws /Governance Report (Attached):** Sue Barley (not present), Yvonne Morrison  
Report was presented.

**MOTION: Yvonne Morrison moved for proposed amendments to Article VI section 1 c. to be accepted.**

- Section 1. Officers.

(The immediate past president has been serving on the state board. Since she actually has her position because she was elected, her name has been added to the elected officer list.)

c. Elected officers, except the president-elect, shall serve a term of two years or until their successors have been elected or appointed and assume office. The elected officers may serve two consecutive terms, except the president and president-elect. (This increases the number of consecutive terms to two, in order to have equality in power and seniority with appointed members of the board.)

**MOTION: Approved**

**MOTION: Yvonne Morrison moved, regarding Article VI section 1 e. – f., that the Board request the Governance Committee to investigate the possibility of having one person on a committee instead of two relating to the earlier discussion of the proposed merging of the Web Manager and Communications positions. The Governance Committee will make recommendations and any changes to be voted on by members by May 2014.**

- e. Appointed members of the board shall serve a term of two years and may be reappointed to serve one additional consecutive term in the same position. (This decreases the number of consecutive terms to two, in order to have equality in power and seniority with elected members of the board.)
- f. No member shall hold more than one elected office at a time, and no member shall be

eligible to serve more than two two-year terms in the same elected office. A member may be elected to same office previously held, only if the member has been out of that office for at least one two-year term. An officer serving thirteen months of a term shall be credited with having served that complete term.

(Wording changed because of Section 1.c.)

**MOTION: Seconded by Diane Ludwig**

**MOTION: Approved**

**MOTION: Yvonne Morrison moved for proposed amendments to Article XI section 5 to be accepted.**

- Section 5. Quorum. The quorum shall be 5 % of the members of the state organization as set by the AAUW official February 1 count, preceding the meeting. (This quorum needs to be changed because the state has “one member, one vote” voting and no longer has delegate voting.)

**MOTION: Approved**

**History Day Report (Attached):** Alice Reese (not present), Betty Takahashi  
Report presented

**St. Louis IBC Report:** Betty Takahashi  
Reported on St. Louis Branch activities

**KC IBC Report:** Patricia Braley  
Reported on Kansas City Branch activities.

**New Business:**

- Linda Berube selected Jane Biers and Deborah McWard to be on Outstanding Member Committee.
- Linda Berube recommended for Board members to try reaching out to those branches who need more involvement/representation at Board meetings.
- Linda Berube further assigned liaisons to meet with those branches needing involvement/representation:
  - Jane Biers: Jefferson City and Boonville
  - Julie Triplett: Canton
  - Yvonne Morrison: Cape Girardeau
  - Linda Berube: Joplin
  - Linda Vestal: Kansas City –Northland
  - Toni Thornton: Maryville
  - Alyse Stoll: Springfield
  - Pam Burke: Warrensburg
- Linda Berube requested to set dates for the following meetings:

- July 20, 2013 in Boonville
  - October 26, 2013 to be in Joplin
  - January 25, 2014 to be in Columbia or Jefferson City
- Linda Berube assigned Deborah McWard, Nancy Hutchins, and Linda Vestal as a committee to check into the Start Smart program license for UMSL (University of Missouri St. Louis) and how we could get more involved in workshops.

**Newsletter Articles for Winter Missouri in Motion:**

- Illinois-Missouri Convention: Diane Ludwig
- CQ State Track: Joanie Shores and Nancy Hutchins
- Equal Pay: Nancy Hutchins and Holly Burgess
- National Convention in New Orleans: Linda Berube
- History Day: Betty Takahashi
- Newsletter Historian Article: Jane Biers
- St Louis Univ. CU Partner: Deborah McWard
- Bylaws changes: Yvonne Morrison
- AAUW Funds: Toni Thornton
- Nominations: Ellen Johnson

**Adjournment:**

President Linda Berube adjourned the meeting at 2:42 PM.