

AAUW MISSOURI BOARD MINUTES  
SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2019  
COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

Attendees:

Linda Berube, Jane Biers, Patt Braley, Shirley Breeze, Mable Davis, Nancy Hutchins, Ellen Irons, Ellen Johnson, Kay Meyer, Lynne Roney, Patricia Scott, Sue Shineman, Pat Shores.

Call to Order: Kay Meyer, President

The AAUW Missouri State Board was called to order by President Kay Meyer at 9:50 am at the HyVee Club Room, Columbia. Kay welcomed the Board and appointed Lynne Roney and Patt Braley as readers of today's minutes.

Quorum: Linda Berube, Parliamentarian

There is a quorum with six voting members present and 13 total Board members present.

Minutes: Doris Nistler, Secretary

The minutes of the May 3, 2019 Board, were sent to the Board. Two corrections were reported; the AAUW Fund should not have an "s" on it. There was an error concerning the financial report. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Finance Officer's Report: Patt Braley, Finance Officer.

The 2019-2020 budget was previously approved at the May Board Meeting and then by the state conference business meeting. Bank balance (cash) is \$17,215.17. Total of combined assets for AAUW MO is \$35,334.32. The financial records for 2018-2019 will be audited by Linda Berube.

STAR and Galaxy Awards: Lynne Roney

Lynne Roney presented the revised forms for the STAR and Galaxy Awards. Work Smart was added to the STAR form. There was a suggestion that Women's Suffrage be added to the STAR form. Another suggestion was to omit the statement "excludes state board members" from the Leadership section. A discussion was held on the value of the Galaxy Award. Lynne moved "That the Galaxy Award be discontinued as of 2019." Motion approved.

Nominating Committee: Kay Meyer

Jan Scott secured Sandra Murdock as a member of the committee. Sue Shineman moved and Ellen Irons seconded that the committee makeup be Patt Braley, Diane Ludwig Su Bacon, Jan Scott and Sandra Murdock. Motion approved.

State Fair Table, Sedalia

Discussion focused on the value of tabling at this event. The consensus was that it be considered for next year. Mable Davis will investigate the feasibility of this event to AAUW.

### Regional Conference: Kay Meyer

Kay reported on the first organizational call for the 2020 Regional. Lynne Roney, Shirley Breeze, Nancy Hutchins and Karen Francis were also on the call. Illinois is taking the lead. A group of members toured the Quad Cities area and determined that the Hyatt Hotel would be the best venue. The dates were established as June 17-20, 2020. Ten states have indicated an interest in being a part of this event. The theme will center around the anniversary of women getting the vote. Kim Churches has indicated she will attend. It was suggested that Work Smart be a part of the conference. Other suggestions were made. The next conference call will be August 6, 2019. Lynne moved "That Missouri participate in the 2020 Regional Conference and that our state meeting be included as a part of the conference." Motion approved.

### Policy Change: Maarianne Fues

Marianne Fues, in her written report, recommended that \$10 be allocated to each board member for meals for the summer and fall board meetings. Sue Shineman moved this policy change and Ellen Irons seconded. Motion approved.

### Bylaw

A board member cannot hold two elected positions at one time. If you are president-elect, you can continue to hold a non-elected position. Ellen Irons moved and Lynne Roney seconded "That we change policies of state for President-elect duties so she may continue to serve in any non-voting position already held." Motion approved.

### Membership

The membership position is open; a person has been contacted and has tentatively agreed to serve.

### Sue Shineman: President-Elect

Nominations for Woman of Distinction are needed; a deserving woman should be considered. The Outstanding Member is selected every year. Input is needed for this person also. Sue's goal as president is to visit each branch.

### Diane Ludwig: Communications

In her written report, Diane indicated that the directory should be ready by the October Board Meeting. MO in Motion deadline is August 5.

### Ellen Johnson: AAUW Fund

The January to June 30 total giving was \$15,996 to AAUW Fund. A committee consisting of Kay Meyer, Sue Shineman, Diane Ludwig, and Ellen Johnson held a conference call to determine if the Named Gift Amount of \$500 should be raised to \$1,000. The committee agreed that this should occur. The consensus of the board, however, is that the figure remain at \$500.

### Public Policy: Ellen Irons and Pat Shores

Pat Shores will be serving as Legislative Action coordinator

Ellen explained the use of the National Public Policy Priorities; this gets voted on every two years. It can be printed from the AAUW website. Missouri also has Public Policy Priorities mirrored after the national form. The state Public Policy chair sends out several alerts and other messages during the year. The issues focused on this past year and the current one are Title IX, Pay Equity, and Workplace Cultural Change. A GOTV program will be another part of the public policy in 2020. Pat suggested that each branch get one person to focus on pay equity. The Public Policy Committee has established an ad hoc committee to work on the 2020 centennial of women getting the vote. The committee consists of Ellen Irons, Jan Scott, and Shirley Breeze. "2020 Women's Vote Centennial" was chosen as the overall theme.

#### Web Manager: Lynne Roney

Patricia Scott was introduced as the new assistant web manager.

Lynne reported that the current web site has exhausted its storage space. A discussion was held on solving this situation. What items should be kept and what should not was crucial. For instance, how long should pictures and forms remain on the site. It was suggested that National Site Resources be contacted for suggestions.

#### History Day

History Day will probably be in April again. Judges are needed.

#### Diversity and Inclusion Committee: Mable Davis

The committee has been very active, holding several events. The most recent was a tour of the Boeing Prologue Room. Boeing has an outstanding diversity policy. A recent activity was a visit to the International Institute; this event gave a broad picture of the scope of the agency and how new arrivals are getting assistance. A goal of the committee is to visit all the branches.

#### College/University Relations: Jane Biers

The committee is currently working on renewals of institutional members. The annual cost is \$175 for returning members and \$125 for new institutions. Two individual memberships come with each renewal or new member. Branches need to contact their local university or college and establish a working relationship. The institution should be encouraged to have a designated staff person for the AAUW membership.

#### St. Louis IBC: Shirley Breeze

Report submitted. Additional item to be included would be branches tabling at local events, festivals, and farmer's markets.

#### National Liaison

Sue Barley has resigned and Karen Francis will assume the position. Sue will continue with Legacy Circle.

#### Historian: Jane Biers

Jane needs to have annual reports from all board members. These are the ones that are archived. If board members have items to suggest being archived, Jane would appreciate this information. Branches need to update their branch histories. Jane will be writing a ten-year state history in the next few months.

KC Interbranch Council

The group is working on several activities that will encourage all local branches to participate.

Work Smart

Several branches and other entities have had activities centered around the Work Smart Negotiation materials.

Strategic Plan 2018-2020 Review: Kay Meyer

Kay is taking over for Jan Scott. An area that needs work is retention of members and gaining new ones.

Next Meeting: Kay Meyer

The next AAUW MO Board Meeting will be held on October 19, 2019, 9:30 am at the HyVee Club Room in Columbia, 25 Conley Road.

Adjournment: Kay Meyer

Kay thanked all for attending. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shirley Breeze, Acting Secretary