

## HEALDSBURG AAUW BOARD MEETING

February 23, 2015  
Healdsburg High School

**PRESENT:** Sue Campbell, Ronnie Devitt, Cecile Peters, Judy Edmonds, Janet Hoehn, Nancy Haiston, Gail Wright, Winky Merrill, Charlene Luks, Lynda Guthrie, Michele St. Clair, Yvonne Hyatt

The branch meeting came to order immediately following the AAUW Fund meeting.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

**TREASURER TRANSITION:** Due to personal circumstances Cynthia Adam is unable to continue as treasurer for the branch and Winky Merrill will continue with the treasurer's duties. Cecile Peters will pick up the treasurer's duties for the Homes Tour.

**TREASURER'S REPORT- FORUM:** The net income for the first of the Forum lectures is \$14,000.

**POST-HOMES TOUR PARTY:** We agreed to accept the proposal to use the Healdsburg Museum property for the party on May 3.

**FUNDRAISING STRATEGIC PLANNING /SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:** Judy Edmonds reported that an ad-hoc fundraising committee met on January 26. The committee consists of Judy, Ronnie Devitt, Barbara Epstein, Charlene Luks, Liz Loebel, and Janet Hoehn.

- **Tech Trek:** Barbara is writing a policy guideline to correct irregularities in the gathering of TT donations. The funding in the future for TT will go to National instead of AAUW CA SPF.
- **Scholarships:** The committee recommends we award a scholarship to Cloverdale High School in addition to Healdsburg High School. It is important to establish criteria for scholarships before they are awarded. Charlene moved, Ronnie seconded, and we unanimously approved to allocate \$1500 for a scholarship for Cloverdale High School. Janet will also investigate the possibility of extending our scholarship allocation to the Santa Rosa JC and Windsor High School students.
- **Pre-school Education:** Charlene is researching the subject and reported there is more research to be done. She feels this is an important new area in which we may wish to spend some of our resources.

**The committee recommendations include:**

- Establish a chair in charge of all fund raising activities. This will be a board position with the chairs of Tech Trek, HHT, AAUW Forum, and other potential fundraising activities coordinating with this person. By-laws need to be changed if a new position is added to the board and a job description be written. It was moved, seconded, and approved by voice vote that a new position of fundraising chair be added to the board.
- We need to be aware of the quality, affordability and availability of childcare and pre-school education in our community. This may include opportunities for volunteers to read to preschoolers.

**An additional item:** Should a "stand-in" for a board member be allowed to vote at a board meeting when an item is being voted upon? The answer is "No". The by-laws do not allow it.

**The Next Board Meeting:** The meeting has been moved to Monday, March 23 at 4:30pm at Ronnie Devitt's home. Please inform Sue of any items you wish to discuss.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yvonne Hyatt, Recording Secretary