

AAUW BRANCH BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF May 14, 2018

PRESENT: Nancy Haiston, Linda Clark, Ronnie Devitt, Julie Hanamura, Barbara Reid, Charlene Luks, Andi Michelsen, Linda Clark, Patty McHugh,
Absent: Michele St. Claire, Dee McGuffey, Terry Leach, Winky Merrill

The AAUW Branch Board Meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm at Healdsburg Junior High School.

The April 16, 2018 Branch minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's report- Julie Hanamura

Current cash in the bank is \$8, 250. The actual expenses were about even with the budget. Julie is waiting for the Canna Craft proceeds to be sent in. After those funds are received, net branch revenue for the year should be approximately \$0. (Better than the budgeted loss of \$820.)

The next National Convention is in 2020 and likely will be in Washington DC. We will continue raising funds to send some of our members and the Board will decide later how to allocate the funding among attendees.

President's Report – Nancy Haiston

Nancy and Linda Clark attended the CA Convention. Nancy and Kate Van Ness went to the Nor Cal Leadership Day in Novato. Nancy has been connecting with Marin county and Petaluma branches. Judy Sakaki, the President of Sonoma State U, is interested in AAUW having a presence on campus. The AAUW "Start Smart" salary negotiation training for students would be a good start. Sue and Winky did the webinar a training to facilitate this program some time ago.

Students can be given a free AAUW membership for a year. Andi Michelsen will pursue this next year.

NCCWSL ("nick whistle") National Conference for College Women Student Leaders. We can send a graduate student to this national student leadership conference. Part of the support money comes a national level scholarship fund.

Official AAUW events cannot be scheduled on religious holidays according the National ByLaws.

The national AAUW enrollment is dropping because younger members are not joining. Our average age nationally is 72. One young woman told Nancy she is not interested in socializing, but wants to know what she can do about issues.

The requirement for a college degree is up for a vote again.

The Annual Meeting/ Garden Party May 19

After soliciting ideas from the board, Nancy has decided on the following process for asking for member input: Three questions will be on large sheets and members will write input on 'post its' and tack them up to give their input and suggestions. The Board discussed the wording of the questions.

The reason for asking for input at this Annual Meeting is that we no longer have the speaker series/monthly meetings. The Lunch Bunch sessions and a suggestion button on the website may be other ways to get feedback from members.

The branch brochure will be the Communication Chair's responsibility.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlene Luks, Secretary