AAUW BRANCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 3, 2020 final

The AAUW Branch Board Meeting was called to order at 1:28 pm via Zoom teleconference

Present: Kate Van Ness, Linda Clark, Barbara Epstein, Mary Fitzgerald, Kathryn Henderson, Karla Rosen, Theresa Cabral, Julie Hanamura, Beth Wolk, Barbara Reid, Patty McHugh, Mickey Sarquis, Rebecca LaLonde and Laura Tyler

Absent: Mary Fitzgerald.

Minutes: Motion by Barbara Reid to accept the 2020.10.06 Branch Board Meeting minutes made, seconded by Beth Wolk and approved.

Treasurer: Julie Hanamura

Decision to cancel the 2021 Homes Tour due to Covid-19 requires follow up with two sponsors to determine if their sponsorship funds should be refunded or treated as donations.

Communications: Laura Tyler

- Member profiles will continue to be included in the Grapevine. Alternatively, scholarship recipients may be profiled. Mickey suggested that members may be interested in articles about past scholarship winners and how the scholarships benefitted them.
- Feedback was also requested on Grapevine articles. Suggestions included adding more pictures and graphics.
- The Communications committee is working to update the website.

Membership: Barb Reid

- Barb Reid is resigning as Membership Committee Chair. As of November 3, Patty McHugh will be interim Committee Chair.
- The Branch currently has 179 active members.
- The new member directory will be issued by the end of November and posted to the website on the "Members Only" page.

Public Policy: Rebecca La Londe

- The Public Policy committee is continuing to work on a legislative outreach meeting with State Assembly member James Wood.
- The Public Policy committee plans to focus on the 2-Minute Advocate program to encourage more Branch member involvement.
- The Committee is considering creating a Ruth Bader Ginsburg ("RBG") club to meet every other month to determine which public policies to work on and to build energy and positivity.

Social Activities: Kathryn Henderson

The social activity committee is working on creating small informal neighborhood groups to meet for in-person coffee klatches. These get-togethers would be similar to the group that currently meets in Windsor. The meetings would be held weekly, outside, weather permitting.

STEM/Tech Trek: Karla Rosen

Karla had a productive meeting with Terry Hays-Horner, the South Bay (Southern California) Tech Trek Alumni Group (TTAG) advisor to discuss their experience with TTAG and to learn her recommendations on how to start a group with Healdsburg Tech Trek Alumni.

State AAUW has determined that Tech Trek and Expanding Your Horizons will be virtual in 2021.

Diversity Project: Linda Clark

The Diversity Project will meet in January, 2021.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Theresa Cabral, Secretary *final*