

AAUW-Colorado Board of Directors  
Minutes of meeting, June 9, 2020

The meeting of the AAUW-CO Board of Directors was called to order on Zoom by President Stormy McDonald at 6:30 pm. Stormy welcomed everyone and Carolyn Cooley, moderator of the meeting, gave instructions for using Zoom. Jill Smith and Eileen Young were appointed readers.

Board members in attendance: Susan Brodie, Virginia Brown, Carolyn Cooley, Diane Fuchs, Marcy Jung, Kathy Hall, Sally Mathewson, Paula Munger, Stormy McDonald, Karen McIntosh, Kathy Singer, Jill Smith, Gail Wilson, Eileen Young.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Stormy explained about using the new form for annual Officer reports. The 5 Star Recognition Program and report were also discussed in relation to use by branches. Kathy Hall commented that Longmont will make the form work and will support this whether they receive 5 Star recognition or not. Virginia Brown, Grand Junction, felt it was easy to report using the form. Karen McIntosh, Ft Collins, said the form was easy to fill out and a number of branch programs fit. Marcy Jung, Durango, likes the form and how it links to the strategic plan. Paula Munger, Colorado Springs, commented the stars were not as important as wanting to plan strong programs and they would relook at how it can work for the branch. Stormy discussed tweaking the form to support more local issues.

### **BOARD REPORTS and COMMENTS** (Officer annual reports are published on the website)

President, Stormy McDonald - Newsletter from each branch sent to the President would be helpful. A concern about programs supporting the strategic plan was expressed. The \$30 per member for 5 Star Recognition was discussed.

Treasurer, Kathy Singer - The budget is on the website.

AAUW Funds, Barb McDaniel - report coming to website

Interbranch Council, Karen McIntosh - Karen is completing her second year as Chair and is hoping for a replacement to be selected in July (when IBC meets via telephone to select a chair, alternate, and recorder). Most branch presidents like the new reporting form. She will be scheduling the next meeting of the council.

Program, Susan Brodie and Diane Fuchs - Because of the pandemic Regional has been changed to a virtual meeting on June 20. So far 75 have registered. There was a discussion of Black Lives Matter and program ideas.

Membership, Eileen Young and Terry Campbell Carron - We have a total of 1,009 Branch Members plus 4 State Members totaling 1,013 members. We had 3 National Members and 1 CA Branch Member who paid state dues. The breakdown is in the annual report on the website. Newsletters from branches would be most helpful to membership. The final Membership VP's meeting will be June 23 when all branch Membership VP's will meet by Zoom.

College/University Relations, Marcy Jung - There is some confusion about how the relationship with universities should work and it is difficult to be active partners. Virginia Brown, Grand Junction, discussed the difficulties they have faced in developing a relationship with Colorado Mesa.

Communication, Carolyn Cooley and Kathy Hall - Their work with the newsletter and websites is guided by the strategic plan. It is now possible to connect to the online Work Smart from the website. Website visits are down 7%, our newsletter readership is 55%. The use of Zoom for branches and their options was discussed.

Public Policy, Sally Mathewson and Gail Wilson - The Family and Medical Leave Bill has been withdrawn and may be a ballot issue in November. Today the Public Policy Committee voted to actively support Senate Bill 20-217 which would make changes to Colorado law enforcement. Betty Boyd, Lobby Corps Coordinator, is working on drafting our letter of support to the Legislature. The Public Policy Committee summer meeting has been moved to July and will probably be held on Zoom.

Bylaws, Jill Smith - 7 of 12 branches have updated their bylaws. No new changes are needed for this year.

Nominating Committee, Virginia Brown - The position of Membership Chair is still open for the coming year. Eileen Young has been appointed Archivist. Sally Mathewson has been appointed to fill the Secretary position for the coming year. At the annual meeting we will vote on

AAUW Funds - Barb McDaniel    Public Policy Co-Director - Su Ryden

Carolyn Cooley presented a trial ballot which we practiced using.

President-Elect, Paula Munger - Fall Leadership Conference in September at Antlers Hotel in Colorado Springs was discussed. A decision will be made in July, probably we will go to a virtual meeting and try for Colorado Springs in 2021. We should be looking at the issue of equity for future programming. Paula has visited eight branches at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None reported

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Monday, June 15 at 6:30 is the practice for the Annual Meeting.

Branch annual reports go to Paula Munger. Board Annual reports to Stormy.

Susan Brodie will send out a list of registrants for Regional and Carolyn Cooley will send a list of registrants for the Annual Meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Stormy McDonald adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm

Sally Mathewson - Acting Secretary

### **Addendum to Minutes - June 15, 2020**

The following Board Members were appointed to the Nominating Committee -

Jill Smith (Littleton-S. Metro), Kathy Singer (Grand Junction) and

Alternate- Eileen Young