AAUW Executive Committee Zoom Meeting

January 28, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Paula Munger at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was hosted by Carolyn Cooley.

Members present on the meeting were Kathy Singer, Diane Fuchs, Jill Smith, Kathy Hall, Susan Brodie, Stormy McDonald, Sally Mathewson, Carolyn Cooley and Paula Munger.

Officer Reports

President - Paula Munger

Many Zoom meetings including Public Policy, IBC, Committees, Convention Planning and Branches have been held and attended by Paula. Also several Webinars offered by National have been viewed. A new Board position of Diversity Officer will be implemented. *Connects* is coming out each month to the membership. A virtual NCCWSL will be held May 25-26, 2021. Early Bird registration is \$95. 190 are signed up for PP Day on February 6, 2021 at this time.

Program VPs - Susan Brodie and Diane Fuchs

2021 Convention is scheduled for April 24, 2021 and planning is well underway with the topic of "Women as Catalysts of Change". Speakers from National are getting lined up The Diversity Tool Kit from National will be discussed. "Silver Linings" will be a segment about Branches moving forward during the Pandemic. Executive Committee Meeting and Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 21 and Annual Business Meeting Friday, April 23.

Membership VP - Jill Smith

We have a total of 927 members. That is a 9% decrease from 2019-2020. Littleton/S Metro Branch increased their membership and Longmont held even. With the dues increases coming for the next three years it was suggested getting a life membership at this time. The information will be included in February *Connects* with a link to the website. Branch Membership VPs have been very responsive on Zoom meetings.

Treasurer - Kathy Singer

\$2,100 was collected in dues for this year. Zoom expenditure has been \$26.30. There is \$4,006.54 in the NCCWSL account. Bank accounts equal \$59,971.67.

Secretary - Sally Mathewson

There has been no correspondence at this time.

Old Business

Scholarship Recipients - A three year pilot program to pay a one year membership to National and State AAUW for Branch scholarship recipients is being implemented. This will expose scholarship winners to National and State mission work. Letters have been prepared which will go out to the scholarship winners and the Branches they represent. Money to pay for the 2021 scholarship winners dues is already a line item in the budget.

Communications Committee

The proposal on the issue of State Bulletin and Connects was discussed. Connects allows for more frequent but shorter messaging but must be at least three times per year. It also allows the President more latitude in messaging. The policies and by-laws need to have consistency of wording with respect to Bulletin and Newsletter. These changes will be voted on at Convention. The Committee will elicit more specific feedback of the newsletter from members.

New Business

The new position of Diversity Officer is open and Paula would like the names of any interested members. There was a discussion if the position would be an appointed committee chair or elected. The new Diversity toolkit is very involved and perhaps a Task Force could be formed to look into it and a leader from that would emerge. Some Branches are forming committees on the issue. A webinar from National will be presented on the Diversity Officer and Toolkit on February 11.

Since NCCWSL is a virtual meeting this year it was moved by Jill Smith that the State provide 12 scholarships, one per Branch, for a recipient to attend the virtual meeting. Stormy seconded and motion was approved. Stormy will put information in the February *Connects*.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Sally Mathewson - Secretary

February 6, 2021