

Board Meeting - March 4, 2015
Minutes

Attendance: Roli Wendorf, Linda Motelson, Pam Margand, Stephanie Lemnios, Diona Koerner, Carol McMillan, Jane Pendergast, Marilee Scheuneman, Adelaide DiGiorgi, Ann Toffel, Edwina Martin, Selena Barron, Judy Walsh

Diona opened the meeting at 4:43 p.m. in the Greenburgh Public Library Conference Room.

Minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as written. Branch minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report and 2015-2016 Budget: Linda and Carol presented the current financial statement. The 2015-2016 budget was published in the March CHIPS and will be published in the April CHIPS for voting at the April meeting. They asked that any comments be submitted before April. Roli suggested a correction of the year from 2014-2015 to 2015-2016 in the first line of the spreadsheet.

1. *Committee/Action Group Reports*

- a. Membership report – Pam and Adelaide – There are 185 members. Pam is updating the letters and they are prepping the letters for collection of dues. They have attempted to reach members from national, but they have had no responses from their attempts. They will email national members to ask them to join the branch, but will not make phone calls.
- b. Programs report – Selena has tried to contact St. Andrew's but they are still closed.
- c. Nominating Committee Report – Slate will be presented in the March and April CHIPS and will be voted on in April.
- d. EYO/Tech Savvy Girls
 - i. EYO – Volunteers are still needed. There are more than 200 girls registered.
 - ii. Hendrick Hudson School District – They are sending 18 girls.
- e. Start Smart workshops – Roli reported on the grant from Key Bank for \$2,500.00 and stated that this will allow expansion to more colleges.
- f. Running and Winning – Planned for April 16 at the White Plains YWCA.
- g. Scholarships Luncheon – Marilee reported that there is room for 50 and 10 are paid attendees so far. 50-50 raffle was approved.
- h. Spring Fling – Some discussion about raising the price.

2. Branch Elections procedure

- a. Who officiates – Linda Motelson, parliamentarian, will officiate.
- b. Absentee ballot procedure – Email ballots are ok with the state board. It was moved and accepted that members be informed that they can vote by email.
- c. Appoint 3 members – Jean Havens, Colleen Fay, and Barbara Smith were appointed to be the election officers.
- d. Counting procedures – 25% of membership is a quorum which will be 47 votes.
- e. Installation procedures – Installation will be at the Spring Fling. Linda will be the installation officer.

3. Edwina Martin, NY State President arrived and was introduced and welcomed.

4. Co-sponsor Poughkeepsie AAUW branch talk by Anne Hedgepeth - Approved

5. AAUW-NYS Convention – So far Roli and Jane will attend, Lorrin may go.

- a. Branch delegates – up to 5 are allowed with a \$50.00 stipend for registration
- b. Branch display – Marilee has done it in the past. Phyllis will collect the materials. Marilee will take the lead on preparing it and Jane/Roli will take it to the convention.
- c. LAF baskets funding – a branch donation of \$50 was approved this year. A single basket

may be sent in addition. Edwina reported that State is considering ending this fundraiser in future years due to numerous issues including logistics.

6. Upcoming Board messages in Chips
 - a. April – Educational Awards (Diana Kent)
 - b. May - EYO Conference Highlights (Wilma)
 - c. June – NYS Convention Highlights/Awards (Roli)
7. Due to weather Adelaide requested that in the future daytime meetings be planned for March.
8. Announcements: Next Board meeting – April 1, 2015 at 4:30 pm at GPL
9. Education Awards – there was a discussion regarding fundraising for Education Awards in April. It was decided that we try it out this year and next, and then decide whether to make it permanent.
10. Meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Walsh