

AAUW Westchester Board Meeting

February 5, 2020

Attendance: Lorrin Johnson, Mary Logan, Roseanne Klein, Sue Gardner, Carol Mc Millan, Marie McKellar, Sue Perko, Marilee Scheuneman, Barbara Lehman, Ellen Leuner and Judy Walsh.

The meeting was called to order by Marie McKellar at 12:30 pm.

The updated and corrected minutes of the January 5th, 2020 AAUW Board Meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: The Financial Report was distributed to all Board Members.

Annual Scholarship Luncheon Fundraiser 2020: Marilee Scheuneman reported that 'The luncheon will be held on Tuesday, April 28 at noon at the Westchester Community College (WCC) café. The cost will be \$35/person, with an option to donate an additional amount when registering. Please bring a guest.

Marilee has touched base with last year's scholarship winners and will include an update in the April issue of Chips. She hopes to meet the AAUW Beverly Jordan scholarship recipient at the WCC Scholarship Recognition Ceremony on March 26. It was discussed if we should also invite this scholarship winner to the Spring Fling Dinner to join our other scholarship winners at the recognition evening. Our branch usually gives three scholarships a year. Also, we funded the Beverly Jordan scholarship, and the interest from that fund goes to a fourth person.

Next year WCC is merging the financial aid office and the scholarships division into a new Office of Student Financial Assistance. This one stop center will guarantee that more students are considered for all financial opportunities and allow them to provide a complete financial assistance package as early as possible. This will enable more students to pursue an education at WCC.'

Budget 2020-2021: An in-depth, line by line discussion of the 2020-2021 Budget was done. It will be presented to the membership at the April General Membership Meeting for the members to approve.

Membership: We currently have 169 members.

Publicity: It was suggested that we form a publicity committee that will try to determine new methods of increasing our membership. It would meet this spring.

Fundraiser: It was suggested that we may do a fundraiser for just our branch. This needs to be explored.

EYO Explore Your Opportunities: Will happen on March 14, 8:30 am-1:45 pm at the College of Mount St. Vincent, Riverdale, NY. Lorrin updated us on the program. There will be 7 workshops. Last year there were 18 workshops. A **NYC Metro Grant of \$10,200** was received for this event. It is interesting that food is the largest expense for this conference. More volunteers for the actual day, would be appreciated.

March 4th General Membership Meeting will feature County Legislator **Catherine Parker**. Catherine will speak on **Women's Issues in Westchester County**, highlighting how Westchester County has worked to protect women and families this legislative term and highlight some issues she hopes to see addressed in the near future.

NY State Convention for April 24-26th was presented by Jane Pendergast at the General Membership Meeting earlier today.

The Nominating Slate for 2020-2021 will be voted on by the membership at the April General Membership meeting.

A discussion of having more **Saturday General Membership meetings verses Wednesday Membership Meetings** was had. It is hoped that by having Saturday meetings, more working women would be able to attend those programs and become involved. It is hoped that we might be able to attract more women in their 40's, 50's and 60's to become members.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Leuner, Co-Recording Secretary