

Minutes of the AAUW Westchester Board Meeting
October 12th, 2022, 4:00 pm
Greenburgh Public Library

Present: Rene Parmar, Mary Schenck, Diana Lennon, Teri Neal, Marcia Keizs, Lorrin Johnson, Marilee Scheuneman (guest).

Absent: Abby Hirsch, Thea Jacobs, Cynthia Plater

1. Rene Parmar called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm
- 2a. Old Business: The September minutes were approved.
- 2b. Membership: Our membership is up to 142. A new members' coffee social will take place at Ellen Leuner's home on November 5th at 10:00 am.
- 2c. Treasurer: The AAUW Budget 2022-2023 and Financial Statement as of 09/30/22 was presented to the Board.

Westchester Community College's changes in their scholarship programs Marilee Scheuneman (as guest):

- A: WCC scholarship checks will no longer be sent by members directly to WCC. They will be collected by AAUW Westchester and sent as a lump sum to WCC.
- B: WCC has merged their financial aid and scholarships; they want scholarships to support current students (not graduates).
- C: WCC wants donations of \$5,000.00 annually to support 2 students. That amount is more than we can give on a regular basis so we need to discuss this next year.
- D. we will donate quarterly and remember to take care of students who need help even at the end of their studies at WCC.
- E. The lunch cost is \$12 for luncheon we organize as a fund raiser. We can charge \$35.00 in order to have funds for the scholarship. The Membership will be informed of our \$5,000.00 goal. We will try to raise the money this year. We will reconsider if we fail.
- F. Although WCC gave \$1,000.00 per student a few years ago, WCC now clearly has interest in big donors.
- G. Marilee reminded us to consistently remember to thank donors.

Communications: Constant Contact is an online subscription service for communications and newsletters, available for \$10.00 per month.

AAUW Westchester will purchase an account to enable several designated individuals to send messages out to the membership. These will be Co-Presidents, Co-VPs for membership, and Sue Lambert (Chips Editor).

- 2d. Programs: Lorrin informed us that Diona Koerner would be happy to see us making up last year's bad weather and take us around the zoo on a Wednesday in May.

Lorrin told us that we don't have our set date for the STEM Conference at the College of Mount St. Vincent. The program is for 7th grade girls. The College of Mount St. Vincent will give us the Administration Building with a limit of 100 students. The college of Mount St. Vincent is easy to get to by bus. We will select one out of two days in March.

3a. New Business: Membership: Nothing to report.

3b. New Business: Programs: Nothing to report.

3c. New Business: Nominations:

Marcia Keizs was presented to become our second President. Elaine nominated and Terry was our second. The vote was 100% in favor. Susan Appel will be Co-Recording Secretary in place of Marcia Keizs.

3e. New Business: Sue Lambert sent materials to help AAUW members be informed on Election Day by looking among the National, State and Local issues through the AAUW Action Fund and the ability to judge those seeking additional terms in AAUW's Policy Priorities.

Respectfully Submitted

Elaine Weiss