

Minutes of the Board Meeting June 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was conducted virtually using Zoom due to the COVID19 social distancing orders. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 by President Donna Zimmerman. In attendance were Susan Brodie, Peggy Hammersmith, Mary Lynn Korch, Jane Miller, Hayden Pigott, Ginny Sherr, Stacey Spaulding and Gail Welde. Absent were Rose Getty, Jill Smith, Diane Steen, Mary Ann Travis.

SECRETARY: A correction will be made to the Treasurer section of the May 13th Board meeting minutes as follows: Ginny will charge \$75 to Membership, and replace that amount in Officers Expenses per the Board discussion that the marketing brochures are a membership recruitment tool, so \$75 of the printing cost can be charged to Membership. There were no other corrections to the minutes of the May meeting. The May Board Meeting minutes were filed as corrected.

TREASURER:

- Gail stated that King Soopers and Safeway money is logged by date. In April, King Soopers sent the branch a check for \$247.73 (not \$217.73 as mistyped on Gail's report last month). The correct amount is shown on the June Income Statement.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Mary reported that 60 members have renewed online and 38 are yet to renew. The deadline is June 30th.

PROGRAM:

- The Fall Kick-off meeting is tentatively set for Saturday, September 19th.
- The state-wide Fall Leadership Conference is September 9th – 12th. It will be conducted virtually via Zoom.
- Spring branch meetings were cancelled due to the state-wide COVID19 Stay-At-Home orders of March – June. Susan is considering asking the speakers who were scheduled for those programs to present their topics virtually to the branch in September, October or November.

COMMUNICATION:

- There will be a July TWIGS newsletter, as it is the beginning of the fiscal year. Due date for items is July 27th.
- Peggy will send a photo and brief biography to Hayden for TWIGS for a notice that Peggy is to be the new IG Coordinator.
- AAUW National is going to integrate their new web site structure at the branch level.
- The branch website is missing a link to the Interest Groups.
- Hayden noted that Carolyn Cooley experiences issues with Mail Chimp delivery of the State Bulletin just like the branch is having trouble with delivery of TWIGS.

PUBLIC POLICY:

- No report this month.

AAUW Funds:

- Gail reported that the branch sent \$1,365.00 to AAUW National this year in comparison to \$1,963.00 last year. The decrease is because King Soopers changed the way it calculates payments.

INTEREST GROUPS:

- Peggy has received information about the Interest Groups from Rose, who was the previous IG Coordinator. Mary will send IG descriptions to Peggy (and the rest of the Board) who will contact the IG leaders. We need to consider how members can sign up for Interest Groups if we are unable to meet in person for the Fall Kick-off meeting. Donna would like to have a Zoom meeting with IG leaders.

BOOK BAGS:

- No report this month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- It is uncertain whether the fundraising event will be held in August due to COVID19 restrictions against large audiences at performance and cultural venues. Donna will meet with Athena leadership about alternate options – possibly a video.
- The Women Powering Change tabling event has been cancelled. Our branch's deposit will carry over to the 2021 event.
- The AAUW Regional/CO State Convention takes place virtually on Saturday June 20th. There was no notice in the June TWIGs but there is good information on the website. Susan will send an email blast to members with a link to registration. Susan will work with Hayden to get the Mail Chimp list of member email addresses.
- The branch Drive-by Picnic is set for Saturday, June 13th. 14 members have ordered lunches. Jane, Hayden, and Stacey will help set up, arriving at 11:45 at Barb McDaniel's house.
- Membership VP, Treasurer and Recording Secretary Officer Elections. Donna has received guidance on electronic voting. She will send an email blast to the membership on Monday, June 15, identifying the three individuals running for re-election and asking for nominations from the membership. The Branch will have one-week to nominate individuals. Donna will then send members another email on Monday June 22nd asking for the vote. Rules state that the branch Secretary should tally the votes, but since the Secretary position is being voted on, Jill Smith has offered to monitor the votes. Voting remains open for one week until Monday June 29th. Member votes should be on one email thread.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Donna would like to hold two virtual Board Retreat Planning Sessions – July 8th and July 15th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. We need to plan for how Fall Programs and Interest Group meetings can be conducted virtually or otherwise, given that the COVID-19 pandemic is likely to keep us from physically gathering for an undetermined amount

of time. We can tie plans to the Strategic plan and to the 5-star Recognition Program.

- The annual Budget Meeting is to be held immediately after this Board Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Jane Miller, Recording Secretary