AAUW Littleton-South Metro Branch Minutes of the Board Meeting October 6, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was conducted virtually on Zoom and called to order at 2:01pm by President Donna Zimmerman. In attendance: Susan Brodie, Mary Lynn Korch, Barb McDaniel, Linda Joseph, Stacey Spaulding, Jill Smith, Marge Weideman, and Donna Zimmerman. Absent: Hayden Pigott and Peggy Hammersmith.

<u>SECRETARY</u>: There were no corrections to the September 6, 2022, board meeting minutes. The September 6, 2022, Board Meeting minutes were accepted.

TREASURER:

 Mary discussed the September 30,2022 financials, calling out the reasoning behind a couple of line items as they compare to the current year budget. There was a discussion regarding providing coffee at meetings which has cost the Branch between \$50 and \$70 for the each of the past two meetings. It was decided that coffee was not essential.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Linda reported 98 current members.
- There was a discussion of why members did not renew. Again, Covid and aging of our population has taken a toll.
- National is extending the Membership drive until November.
- There will be a New Member Coffee/Tea November 10, 2022, at 10:00 am, at MaryAnn Travis' home.
- Linda and Jill would like to have some of our AAUW Brochure available at meetings. Donna will try to remember to bring some to the October Branch Program.
- Susan is planning on conducting a survey of the membership, starting with Interest Groups, for the Diversity and Inclusion Committee.
- Jill and Linda plan to also conduct a survey via SurveyMonkey. Perhaps they can gather some demographics of the membership that will also be helpful for Susan.
- Jill shared that the Membership Committee would like to request a revision to *Policy 12. Membership. Article B Bereavement Communication* and she read the proposed revision. Donna noted that, given the immense amount of time and discussion that went into adding that item, the proposed revision should be presented to the Board in advance, so members have time for review and thought prior to discussion and a possible motion and vote. She asked that the proposed revision be sent to her so that she can include it in the November Board meeting items, sent to the Board ahead of time so that they are prepared to discuss and entertain a motion.

PROGRAM:

- Saturday, October 8, 2022, at 2:00 pm at Koebel Library.
 - Matt Crane will discuss voting and casting ballots. Jill, Phyliss Graham, and Margie Dalton will present ballot issue information from The League of Women Voters.
 - \circ $\,$ No coffee / will have library provide water.
- Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 9:30 at Southglenn Library.
 - Teressa Gehrke (PopCykol) to discuss Cyber Security.
- Saturday, December 10, 2022, at 11:30 am at the home of Barb McDaniel.
 - Rosie the Riveter program presented by Gail Beaton.
 - Noodles and Company to provide lunch at \$15.00/member. Send checks to Susan Brodie.
 - Discussion of Door Prizes.

COMMUNICATION:

- Twigs November content due October 17, 2022
- November Program Info and December Program teaser
- Happy Hour October 17
- Membership information
- Interest Groups calendar and information will be on the website and include the following:
 - Name of chair
 - o Email
 - Date and time and location

AAUW FUNDS:

• Total AAUW Funds \$403.73.

PUBLIC POLICY:

- Public Policy Day February 4, 2023: Dr. Megan Medlocs is keynote on Mental Health issues.
- There are spots on the State Public Policy Committee to be filled.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION (DEI):

- Susan will be visiting each Interest Group to survey members to get a baseline profile of our branch. Once she's gone to all the Interest Groups, she will work on connecting with members who are not in Interest Groups at Branch Programs. The goal is to understand where our Branch is now regarding Organizational Inclusiveness.
- There are four boxes to choose from on the Organizational Inclusiveness scale. Qualitative data, not quantitative will be gathered. Survey Monkey will be used for demographic quantitative data.

INTEREST GROUPS:

• No Report.

BOOK BAGS:

• Eight classrooms have been supplied with Book Bag materials.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The 2022-23 Strategic Plan was reviewed for last revisions and there were none. Donna will have Carolyn post to the Website
- Discussion of CU Partners and ACC

NEW BUSINESS:

- Donna thanked Jill for the idea of using our 60th Anniversary as a non-event fundraiser. Donna has decided to use a traditional nonprofit appeal approach and will have a one-page draft ready to be reviewed at the November Board Meeting.
- Jill and Marge will address envelopes to members and bring them to the November Program so that Donna can have the envelopes to take home and stuff. She plans to mail the envelopes right before Thanksgiving.
- Discussion of what the ask should be. Donna is planning for a few donation options, one of which will be \$60.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• The next board meeting will be November 3, 2022, 2:00 – 3:30 pm using Zoom

The meeting was adjourned at 3:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Margaret Weideman Recording Secretary