AAUW Littleton-South Metro Branch Board Meeting September 14, 2023 on Zoom

Members present: Susan Brodie, Carolyn Cooley, Phyllis Graham, Mimi Iverson, Linda Joseph, Mary Korch, Nancy McDermott, Jane Miller, Jill Smith. Members absent: Peggy Hammersmith, Barb McDaniel, Sara Mosca, Pam Story-Staker, Marge Weideman, Donna Zimmerman

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM by Co-President Mimi Iverson

<u>Minutes:</u> Because there were several meeting minutes to be approved, Jill made a motion to approve the following board and general membership meeting minutes. Mary seconded the motion; motion passed:

September 10, 2022 General Membership meeting - approved as written April 15, 2023 Annual Meeting - approved as written June 7, 2023 Board meeting - approved as corrected August 23, 2023 Board meeting - approved as corrected September 9, 2023 General Membership meeting - approved as corrected

Mimi will send the final corrected documents to Carolyn to put on the branch website.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Mary sent documents in a separate email (attached) and reported little change from previous report. Membership dues estimate is in line with actual numbers (106 as of Sept. 8th).

<u>Operating Policies Correction:</u> Jill will send amended document with the corrected dues amounts (National \$72; total Annual Dues \$102) to Carolyn to put on branch website.

<u>AAUW Funds</u>: Mary reported for Barb the total year to date amount the branch (not including individual members) has contributed is \$1,045.46.

<u>Membership</u>: Linda reported two new members, Kelly Perez and Pam Hansen. A New-Member get together will be held at Donna Carmack's home on Oct. 7. Nancy requested photos for the branch Facebook page.

<u>Fundraising Report:</u> Total amount donated to date is \$1,050. Mimi will remind members in her Presidents section on TWIGS to send donations by Dec. 2 (Holiday Party date - 11:30-1:30 time) when 6 names will be selected.

<u>Interest Groups</u>: Peggy has been informed to change the Interest Group schedule (Mah Jongg days) to send to Carolyn for the branch website.

<u>Zoom Account:</u> Carolyn reported that Carolyn McNee will be coordinating the branch's Zoom account. A link can be made for the Board, General Membership, Interest Groups, and Happy Hour scheduled meetings (without setting up the day/time). Branch leaders

and Interest Group Chairs are asked to work with Carolyn McNee to coordinate meeting schedules and any changes that may need to be made. Only ONE MEETING can be scheduled at a certain day/time. Scheduled meetings will be listed in chronological order on the Zoom account.

<u>TWIGS</u>: Carolyn is working with Sara on the new format. Linda will send new member photos and brief bios to Sara.

<u>Facebook:</u> Nancy requests photos from meetings. It was suggested that Book Bags be highlighted on Facebook. There is information about it on the branch website; Carolyn will request updated information from Mary Ann. A link can be put on Facebook to the website information. Photos of recently acquired books will be sent to Nancy to include. Mary Ann used Next Door to request children's books and received a good response.

<u>DEI:</u> Susan's icebreaker was very successful at the Sept. General Membership meeting. She will continue that for each meeting. Suggestions from the Program Committee for the March General Membership meeting were given to Susan.

<u>Public Policy</u>: Jane prepared an article about voting that state president, Joan Brown, shared with branch presidents. Jane will send the original article to Carolyn to put on the branch website in the Public Policy section with links to the article in TWIGS and on Facebook. Mimi will remind members to check it out on the website in her President's TWIGS section. Jane attended the state Public Policy Committee meeting and reported the speakers (focus will be on education) have been chosen for Feb. 3, 2024 Public Policy Day to be held on Zoom. Some discussion was held about state ballot issues and we were directed to check out details on the state website.

<u>Program Committee:</u> Phyllis volunteered to be the Chair of the committee. The Oct. 14th meeting to be held at Koelbel Library 1:00, will feature LWV ballot presentations. The Nov. 11th meeting will feature the Rose Andom Center, a non-profit Denver organization for women's support and safety from domestic violence. After much discussion the board agreed that the meeting be held on Zoom. Mimi will have Carolyn McNee schedule it on our branch account. After discussion about possible program ideas for the Dec. 2nd Holiday Party a White Elephant Exchange will be planned, asking members to bring something wrapped for a fun activity! The Jan. meeting at the Koelbel Library will feature a movie; "The Letter: A Message For Our Earth" was suggested.

<u>New Business</u>: Co-President, Pam Story-Staker, requested changing the day/time of the Board meeting. Because of her absence, the issue will be on the next meeting's agenda. NEXT MEETING: Oct. 12th 2:00 on Zoom.

Jane moved and Mary seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Jill Smith, Acting Secretary