

## MINUTES

### AAUW ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING

March 16, 2019

Arlington County Central Library, 1015 N Quincy St

#### I. WELCOME

Carol Dabbs, Co-President, welcomed members and guests to the Annual Meeting and announced that in addition to the program, we would be celebrating AAUW Arlington's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and Vivian Kallen's 90 birthday.

#### II. EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT IN VIRGINIA

Susan Nelson, Co-First Vice President for Program, introduced League of Women Voters President Joan Porte who in turn introduced our guest speaker, Julia Tanner, Founder of VA Ratify ERA. Julia described the history of the efforts to ratify the ERA and Virginia's campaign to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. She noted that despite polls stating that 96% nationally and 81% in Virginia favoring ratification of the ERA, it was not brought to the floor for a vote in the Virginia Legislature during the 2019 session. With only 3 more states needed to meet the 38 state threshold for ratification, the ERA was ratified in two more states, Illinois and Nevada. Now, just one more state is needed and the push for ratification will continue in Virginia.

After Julia answered questions on planning for the next legislative session in Richmond, we took a 15 minute break to celebrate Vivian's birthday and have cake.

#### III. BUSINESS MEETING

Meg Tuccillo, Co-President, called the business meeting to order at 2:10 pm. She announced that we had 13 branch members present, more than a quorum of 7, and so could conduct business. Meg told us that a search of our archives revealed that in November 1943 a group of Fairlington residents began to meet and by February 1944, an AAUW branch was officially formed. The first issue dealt with was the fact that women were not permitted to serve on juries.

A. Approval of 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

After the minutes were presented, moved and seconded, they were approved unanimously.

B. Presentation of 2017-18 Financial Report

Carol Dabbs presented the financial report for Betty Dunn, who could not attend. There were no questions.

C. Election of Officers,

Sara Anderson presented the slate; after no additional nominations were made, the slate was moved and seconded and unanimously approved by the membership. The following officers were elected for two year terms, July 1, 2019-June 30, 2021:

President: Carol Dabbs;

Co-First Vice Presidents for Program: Meg Tuccillo and Chioma Eni;

Second Vice President for Membership: Michele Milden; and

Assistant Treasurer: Terri Doxsee

D. Approval of Arlington Branch Bylaws Changes

Carol Dabbs presented the attached proposed by-law changes. After discussion, they were approved unanimously by the membership.

E. Debbie Churchman has been appointed Newspaper Editor. Debbie told the group that she would establish a Google group for sending messages to the entire branch membership.

F. Announcements:

--Carol presented Certificates to two of our 2017 Named Honorees: Vivian Kallen and Marjorie Hobart.

--The AAUW Virginia State Convention is scheduled for April 4, 5, and 6. Meg and Sara will be attending.

--Meg reminded us of the April meeting on brain health and the May Awards ceremony.

--Vivian raised a question about the Elizabeth Campbell award, which Meg said that the Board would follow up at the July meeting.

G. Adjournment--the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Bratt, AAUW Arlington Branch Secretary

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA BRANCH  
ANNUAL MEETING  
Langston-Brown Community Center  
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018**

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. Members present were Sara Anderson, Karen Bopp, Carol Dabbs, Betty Dunn, Vivian Kallen, Kathy Murphy, Susan Nelson, Marie Schryver, Susan Senn, Mary Spatz, Meg Tuccillo, 1 visitor and two speakers.

1. Approval of Minutes of Arlington Branch Annual Business Meeting of March 25, 2017 - Chris White, Secretary

The Arlington Branch Annual Business Meeting minutes of March 25, 2017, as written by Mary Garrison, then secretary, were distributed. Chris White, current secretary, who made a motion, which was seconded by Carol Dabbs, to approve the minutes. They were approved unanimously.

2. Presentation of 2016-2017 Financial Report - Betty Dunn, Treasurer

The Financial Report for the most recently-completed fiscal year was submitted by Betty and discussed.

3. Election of Officers - Carol Dabbs, Nominating Committee Representative

Carol presented the list of current branch officers, the dates of their current terms, and whether they are in a first or second term. She moved that we accept the following slate for election, and Susan Senn seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously:

For Treasurer, 2018-20, Chris White, and

For Secretary, 2018-20, Terry Bratt.

4. Approval of Arlington Branch Bylaws Changes - Carol Dabbs, Arlington Branch Bylaws Chair

Carol reviewed the attached explanation of proposed bylaws changes. Carol moved and Vivian Kallen seconded the motion to approve these Arlington

Branch Bylaws changes. They were approved unanimously. Carol will update the Bylaws, and send copies for posting to the websites of AAUW's National office, AAUW Virginia, and our branch's web site.

5. Presentation of National AAUW dues increase - Marie Schryver, Membership VP  
Marie reported that effective March 16, 2018, AAUW National dues were increased by \$10.00. This is the first increase of national dues in many years; they cover only 13% of AAUW's budget. Dues are now \$59 national, \$15 state, and \$16 branch. Dues for 2018-19 are due by June 30, 2018 and can be paid on-line or by check sent to our Treasurer.

6. Presentation of National AAUW Bylaws draft proposals - Carol Dabbs, Arlington Branch Bylaws Chair

Carol reminded everyone that all AAUW members for whom AAUW has an email address should have received an email on February 22, 2018 from the National Board of Directors, which presented three proposed national Bylaws amendments:

- a. Change the structure of the national board to staggered three-year terms, which begin with elections in 2019. The primary reason for voting this year on amendments is to put this in place prior to the next national convention in 2020.
- b. Delete the requirement that national board members must be AAUW members; the board composition of 15 would have at least 10 AAUW members so no more than five could be non-members. Non-members could serve in all board positions, including board chair.
- c. Delete the degree requirement of membership, opening membership to all who support our mission.

AAUW members have the opportunity to vote on-line on between April 25 and June 9, 2018 for those members with email addresses. Paper ballots are due on May 21, 2018 for those without email addresses. There was a discussion about the proposed amendments, including some history of prior proposals of similar amendments.

7. Upcoming Branch Programs - Susan Nelson, Co-Vice President for Programs

Susan reminded everyone that the next branch programs are:

April 16, 7:00 pm, Langston-Brown Community Center, where we will learn about AAUW's salary negotiation workshops, Start Smart and Work Smart., and May 15, 7:00 pm, Woman's Club of Arlington, Annual Awards Program.

There was a discussion about past awards that recognized arts in the community versus our current focus on student scholarships for arts and Lunch Bunch students. This issue will be discussed at a future Board of Directors meeting.

As Susan and Mary Beth will soon be planning programs for 2018-29, all were invited to contact Susan and Mary Beth to make suggestions for programs for next year which are related to AAUW's public policy priorities.

8. Member Announcements - Meg

Meg thanked outgoing officers for their work, Betty Dunn as Treasurer for two years and Chris White as Secretary for one year.

Susan Nelson was thanked for all of her work this past year in bringing great speakers and programs to our branch. There was round of applause for Susan.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris White, AAUW Arlington, Virginia Branch Secretary

Attachments:

Minutes, AAUW Arlington, Virginia Branch Annual Meeting, March 25, 2017

Nominating Committee Report, March 17, 2018

2018 Proposed Bylaws Changes

AAUW Arlington Branch FY2017-18						
Statement	BB&T balance on 6/22/17	8771.46				
Month	Deposits by Month		Expenditures		Paid to AAUW	
24-Jul-17	Dues (7) paid by check	560	Elon/Wanda	500	State & national dues	448
	Direct deposit (23*16)	368	NVCC/Rojas	500		
23-Aug-17	Dues paid by check	480			State & national dues	93
	Direct deposit	96				
23-Sep-17	Direct deposit	160	ACCF	50		
	Dues paid by check					
23-Oct-17	Direct deposit (3)	80	Michelotti/newsletter	113.9	State and national dues	143
	Dues paid by check	32				
22-Nov-17	Direct deposit (2)		Dues contest	50		
	Dues paid by check		Insurance	185		
22-Dec-17	Direct deposit	16	Career Center(luncheon)	450		
	Deposits of checks	760				
1/24/2018	Direct deposit	16	Senn	115	State and national dues	192
	Deposit (check)	80				
2/21/2018	Direct deposit	16				
3/22/2018			Northern district dues	10		
			Pelosky/decorations/lunche	75		
			Ulrich/Lunch Bunch	73.16		
4/23/2018	Deposit of checks (donations to ed fund)	160	Milden/57.44 LB	68.33		
5/22/2018	no deposits		AAUW for website	119.88		
			AHT for insurance	337		
			Ulrich for lunch bunch	21.16		
			Ulrich replacemnt ck 1053	42.61		
6/22/2018	Dues checks	301	Teacher of year	250	AAUW for dues	237
	Direct deposit from AAUW	32	Teacher of year	250		
			Replacemnt lost ck 1052Mec	106		
			Milden lunch bunch	172.61		
			Newport for Kasch	1000		
			Mason for Hafiz	1000		
			Mason for Forrest	1000		
	Subtotals	11928.46		6489.65		1113
	Closing amount			4325.81		

2019 Proposed Bylaws Changes

AAUW Arlington, Virginia Branch

CHANGES REQUIRING A VOTE:

**Officer Duties, Eliminate AAUW Funds Officer:**

ARTICLE IX, Section 2,

Sub-section c: Other Elected Officers.

The elected officers other than President shall perform such duties as the President and Board shall direct, including the following.

(1) First Vice President for Program. The First Vice President for Program shall (i) serve as chair of the committee on program development; (ii) arrange/coordinate at least six (6) membership programs or events each fiscal year including publicity for them; (iii) preside at meetings in the absence of the President; and (iv) represent the Affiliate in the absence or disability of the President.

(2) Second Vice President for Membership. The Second Vice President for Membership shall (i) serve as chair of the committee on membership development; (ii) oversee efforts to recruit and sustain a diverse, active membership in the Affiliate; (iii) preside at meetings in the absence of the President and First Vice President and (iv) represent the Affiliate in the absence or disability of the President and First Vice President.

(3) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for (i) collecting, distributing, and accounting for the funds of the Affiliate; (ii) meeting specific deadlines established by AAUW, the state and Affiliate; (iii) collecting dues and promptly remitting them to AAUW and state including submitting to AAUW all qualifying applications for new memberships; (iv) issuing checks in payment of expenses and other items provided for in the budget or verified by the President upon receipt of appropriate supporting records; (v) sending Affiliate and Individual Member donations to AAUW Funds; (vi) presenting the estimated budget for the next fiscal year to the Board for approval; (vii) presenting the final financial statement to the Board for the prior fiscal year in which the Treasurer served; (viii) providing such records as are necessary for a financial review at the end of her term(s); and (ix) ensuring compliance with AAUW policies and IRS regulations.

(4) Assistant Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurer shall (i) maintain the Affiliate membership database, updating it as necessary, (ii) produce and distribute a Directory of member information at least annually, and (iii) manage the branch website and social media presence.

(5) Secretary. The Secretary shall (i) record and keep minutes of all business meetings of the membership, the Board, and the Executive Committee, and any action taken by the Board or Executive Committee without a meeting; (ii) have available for reference at all meetings a copy of the Affiliate bylaws and a list of its officers, representatives of areas of interest, task force and committee chairs and Individual Members; (iii) have charge of such correspondence of the Affiliate as is delegated by the President or the Board of Directors; (iv) keep on file all communications received and copies of all letters sent; (v) send to the membership a monthly update about branch and related activities; and (vi) perform such other duties as are requested by the President or the Board of Directors.

Sub-section d: Appointed Officer.

The appointed officer shall perform such duties as the President and Board shall direct, including the following.

(6) Public Policy Officer. The Public Policy Officer works with the other officers and membership of the branch to further AAUW Public Policy goals in the county. She works in cooperation with the AAUW Virginia Public Policy chair. Frequently, local events are coordinated with other groups working on the same issues.

**CLARIFYING CHANGE, DOES NOT REQUIRE A VOTE:**

**When those who have not paid dues are dropped from national rolls:**

**ARTICLE IX. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

**Section 3. Affiliate and State Dues<sup>1</sup>.**

b. Payment. Affiliate dues payment procedures shall be established by the Affiliate's board policy. Affiliate dues shall be payable as follows:

(2) Due Date. Dues of continuing Individual Members are payable on or before July 1. After notification of nonpayment, an Individual Member whose dues remain unpaid will be dropped from the national membership list.

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<sup>1</sup> See also Article IX, Section 3.a. (1).