

AAUW Board Meeting – February 27, 2006

Present: Joanne Gordon, Pat Croissant, Betty Traverse, Ebba Dubbel, Sue Deobil, Deb Roney, Catherine Chambers, Sarah Worley, Martha Swigart, Devona Van Nest

The minutes of the January board meeting were approved with one correction. JoAnn Wallace has not re-joined. It was incorrectly stated in the January minutes that she had re-joined.

Treasurer's Report – Ebba Dubbel

Financial Report – 1/8/06 to 2/27/06

Checking Account

Opening Balance - \$747.51
Revenue - \$501.00
Expenses - \$0.00
Ending Balance - \$1,248.51

EF - \$1,177.41
Contingency Fund - \$342.57

The report was filed for audit.

Secretary reminded the board that this year's contribution to our Juniata college scholarship needs to be made in the spring. We were unable to make the contribution in December due to a lack of funds.

EF Report – Betty Traverse

- Bulb orders will be sent to the company in one week. Prior to that, Betty will send another e-mail to members reminding them of the bulb sales.
- Betty will send in request for space at EF sales at convention to sell our pecans.

LAF Report – Betty Traverse

- Betty is hoping that the branch will soon have enough money so that we can make our annual contribution to LAF.

A discussion was held as to how bulb and pecan monies are allocated by the branch. The purpose of the pecan sale is to raise money for EF. Association rules stipulate that 80% of the money raised must go to EF. The remaining 20% of the money raised from the pecan sale goes to the branch's Juniata College scholarship. The profits from the bulb sales go to support the branch.

Program – Sue Deobil

- March 16 branch meeting – Iona Conner on "Global Warming". A class is scheduled for Good Hall, Room 202. Deb Roney will contact the college regarding another room for our meeting.
- Iona Conner will distribute posters about the March 16 meeting in the county.
- Cathy Chambers suggested contacting Paula Martin, environmental science professor at Juniata and inviting her students to the meeting.

- March hostesses – Deb Roney and Betty Traverse
- Sue needs to send a poster display on our November branch meeting (Barbara Farmer) to the state convention as part of the program grant we received for Ms. Farmer's presentation. Cathy and Pat will take the display to the convention. Sue is looking for photos for the display if any member has any.
- Cathy has e-mailed the April speaker to confirm and she is waiting to hear back from her.
- April meeting will be April 20, not April 13.

Membership – Joanne Gordon and Martha Swigart

- Suggested we have a "dinner guest fund" to pay for guests' dinners
- Suggested having a dinner meeting at the beginning of the program year. Dinner meetings draw more members and guests.
- Currently have 29 members. Possible new members are Joanne Laabs and Linda Reilly.

Campus Representative – Sarah Worley

- Our campus representative, Sarah Worley attended the board meeting. A discussion was held regarding our expectations of Sarah – what would we like her to do? Currently, Sarah offers extra credit to her students if they attend an AAUW meeting. She also announces our meetings at the college.
- Sarah reported on a survey that AAUW had recently sent to campus representatives asking the question "Why do colleges join AAUW?" Sarah sent the survey to Joanne Krug at the college to respond. Martha Swigart stated that Joanne had told her that Juniata College joined AAUW as a way of supporting AAUW's mission. Sarah has received answers to the survey from other colleges and universities and she will compile the responses into a report for the board.
- A discussion was held on how our branch can support the women's groups at Juniata College. Betty suggested varying the days and times of the monthly branch meetings. A luncheon meeting may be a good time to attract students to our meetings. We also need to do a better job of advertising Juniata College activities to our members – Take Back the Night, Unlock Your Voice. Sarah suggested giving a membership to a freshman student. It could be given as part of the honors convocation. Sarah also suggested having an AAUW table at Lobsterfest which is held at the beginning of the school year. She also suggested co-sponsoring events with the women's groups on campus. Deb Roney stated that we may be able to use Sister-to-Sister money for this.
- It was suggested that we may want to distribute AAUW literature at Mayfest – possibly asking the library to place AAUW literature on their table.

Public Policy – Deb Roney

- Public policy info will be in the ECHOES.
- Pat Croissant suggested having a candidates night in October. Planning will begin after the May primary.

Career Shadowing – Deb Roney

- Several more members are needed to make calls to find mentors. There are 3 packets remaining. Sarah Worley volunteered to take one packet.

Nominating Committee

- Deb Roney volunteered to head the nominating committee. Offices up for election this year – Co-president, Membership Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

State Convention

- Catherine Chambers, Pat Croissant and Sarah Worley will attend this year's state convention at the end of March.

Dues

- A discussion was held regarding branch dues for the coming year. Dues will remain at \$60.

The board will meet April 19 @ 6pm @ Hoss's. 20% of the cost of the meal will go to the branch. Catherine Chambers will reserve the room at Hoss's and get the tickets.

Submitted by,

Devona Van Nest
Branch Secretary