Baker Branch AAUW Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 02, 2016

Baker Branch AAUW met at Mad Matilda’s on Monday, May 2 at 6:30 in the everning. Seventeen members and one guest were present. After a social time, President Dixie Driggers introduced guest speaker, Malena Wirth, who was named Classified Employee of the Year in 2012. She talked about her role in the ESL program and about her extensive work in the Hispanic community.

President Dixie called to order the business part of the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**AAUW Funds Gift Honorees**: Debby Trapp Roehm presented certificates to Ann Clark, Dixie Driggers, and Wanda Raffety who were also recognized at State Convention.

**Women’s Celebration:**

Silent Auction - The proceeds will allow us to make a $1,277 donation to an organization, group, or program. Group consensus seemed to be that we not donate to an already well-funded program. Among suggested groups were Mayday, Baker Backpack Program, and Open Door Program.

**Candidate Forum:** Mickey Edwards and Aletha Bonebrake.

About 160-170 attended this forum in April. Feedback – Mickey was asked about security for the event, and Aletha suggested we have a better sound system when/if we have another forum at BHS. All in all, it was a successful event.

**Convention Report**: Wanda Raffety and Dixie Driggers

Lucy Hutchins form the Ontario Satellite will be our new Northeast District Director.

**Officers for 2016-17**

Still Needed – Co-Presidents for (2 year terms)

Co-Vice Presidents – Wanda Raffety, Roxanna Swann (membership)

Co-Vice President - Lisa Raffety and Ann (programs - 2 year terms)

Finance Vice President – Sasha Gazley

Secretary – Karen Zimmer with assistance from Amber Martell (one year term)

Still needed -Public Policy Chair – State would like to have a committee that includes someone from each district.

Volunteer Positions:

Social Media – Sasha Gazley and Amber Martell (Facebook)

Web Maintenance – Karen Zimmer (<http://baker-or.aauw.net/>)

Committees and other non-elected positions – Women’s Celebration, Equal Pay Day, Candidate Forum, Historian (Barbara Warner?), Bylaws/Parliamentarian, Communications

**Announcements:**

New Member- Barbara Kuhl

Next regular meeting – Potluck in the park in June. More information TBA.

Yard Sale – tentatively scheduled for June 10, 11 at Wanda’s house. More information TBA.

NE District Meeting is on Saturday, October 15, 2016 in Baker City, Oregon.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00.

*Karen Zimmer*, Secretary