**AAUW Board Meeting Minutes, September 26, 2016**

The September board meeting was held at the home of Wanda and Bruce Raffety on Monday, September 26, 2016. Attending were Dixie Driggers, Wanda Raffety, Roxanna Swann, and Karen Zimmer.

Summary of the Membership Meeting held at Zephyr on September 12th was emailed to members in advance of meeting and was also posted on our web site at

<http://baker-or.aauw.net/> .

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 by Dixie.

**Reports**

*Financia*l- Sasha was not able to attend.

*Membership*- Wanda, Roxanna. Counting our local branch, the Ontario branch, dual members, and community members, we have a total membership of thirty-six.

*Public Policy*- Beth was not in attendance, but Dixie noted Beth will be sending out information to members and that AAUW is not actually supporting Bill 97. AAUW supports an alternate proposal.

**Old Business**

*Candidate Forum* – The original forum date has been switched to Tuesday, October 4 at 6:00 pm in the Baker High School Commons due to a scheduling conflict. Moderator is Aletha Bonebrake; timer, Dixie Driggers; runner for floor microphone, Wanda Raffety.

Candidates attending include Travis Ash (who is running against John Hoopes for sheriff) and candidates running for council. John Hoopes has chosen not to attend and city council candidate, Arvid Anderson, will be out of town.

District Meeting – Saturday, October 15, 9:30-3:00, Baker Library. Wanda reported we are all set for this meeting with a microphone and screen. Mardy Stevens will present “Growing Your Membership, Spice Up Your Programming.”

A discussion was had about a food plan for the meeting. Coffee, tea, water, and pastries will available in the morning. Beth St. John has gotten permission from the hospital kitchen to prepare a meal (lasagna) there and bring it to the meeting in their chaffing dishes. Members will be asked to bring a green salad.

We will ask for donations to reimburse Beth for the food costs and will ask Lucy if she has any money in her budget to put toward this, also.

We plan to send invitations to Soroptomists, PEO, and maybe some others. Sasha is preparing an invitation to send.

**New Business**

Crossroads Gala is on October 15th. We are planning to do a centerpiece which will be used as a door prize. For those who would like to donate items, please keep in mind it is a Caribbean theme – burgers and beaches – Jimmy Buffet style. Give donations to Dixie.

Branch Bylaws must be updated to align with changes made at Convention to State Bylawsthis fall. Karen volunteered to work on this.

Other – Wanda has pamphlets *Barriers and Biases* to distribute.

**Announcements**

* Next Meeting: Monday, October 3, 6:15 pm Mad Matilda's 1931 Court Ave LAF Fundraiser
* Candidate Forum, Tuesday, October 4, 6:00 pm Baker High School Commons
* AAUW NE District Meeting, Saturday, October 15 9:30 am – 3:00 pm Baker Public Library
* Crossroads Art Center Gala fundraiser, Saturday October 15 5:30 pm Crossroads Art Center

Karen Zimmer, Secretary

(following Dixie’s agenda outline)