

Baker Branch AAUW Board Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2021

The March board meeting was called to order slightly after 6:30 p.m. by President Wanda Raffety. Attending were Wanda, Lucy Hutchens, Betty Palmer, Dr. Heather Rudolph, Roxanna Swann, Debby Trapp Roehm, and Karen Zimmer. Mickey Edwards called in and Katie Bomberger was able to ZOOM in for part of the meeting.

The meeting began with an ice-breaker, *Have You Ever Had a Big Surprise?*

Programs VP: Debby Trapp Roehm

- Debby has contacted a high-school senior, Glendi Luna, to make a presentation at our March 8th regular all-member meeting which is on International Women's Day. Glendi was born in the U.S. but later spent a lot of time in Mexico before returning to the United States. Glendi was appointed to the Governor's Council on Student Success.
- For the April regular meeting, Debby has contacted a local financial advisor to speak to the group about trends in women's investments.
- For May, Baker Relief Nursery or Baker Early Learning Center could be on the agenda (possibly on-site). More information to come.
- Debby has sent out an email with information about Equal Pay Days in various places.

Finance VP: Sasha Gazley texted Wanda that she will forward a link for members who want to pay dues online.

Minutes: Karen Zimmer February minutes were corrected by email comments in advance of meeting and approved at meeting. Minutes and corrections were emailed to members.

Membership VP: Darlene Scheler was unable to attend.

Facebook/Web Site: Heather Rudolph has posted Equal Pay Day information and will post information about next Monday, March 8 ZOOM meeting.

Public Policy: Katie Bomberger - Wanda asked if members were receiving action alert notices. Katie is getting an email list ready so that everyone will receive these.

Nominating Committee:

- Still looking for finance VP
- Mickey Edwards made the motion we vote on new officers at the April 12 regular meeting. Karen seconded. Motion was voted on and approved.
- New officers take over on June 30.

New Business:

- Because we have not been meeting in person, we have not been able to "pass the hat" to collect change to help a little with members' dues for those needing this help. Since we are talking about just a few dollars, a donation could possibly be made from the branch checking account. Wanda will look at the budget and check on this.

- Fundraiser. A yard sale was suggested. It will be further discussed at the regular meeting and through emails to all members.
- It is time to elect delegates to Annual Meeting – one per 25 members. Last year's meeting was a Zoom meeting. Wanda and Karen participated.
- Elect new officers at April 12 meeting (see above)
- Officers need to write their job descriptions for their positions. Wanda will re-send information.
- Wanda is going off the Special Projects Board at the end of her term. It meets 4 times a year with a representative from each district. Wanda nominated Lucy Hutchens to replace her.

Announcements:

- Let Wanda know if you want to attend Pendleton's March 4th program, *Pollinators of First Foods Plants in the Blue Mountains* – Sarah Gardner.
- Debby is going to email Karen a rewording of a goal in the branch's tentative Strategic Plan.
- Betty volunteered to format the Strategic Plan.
- Debby will send out a flyer for next meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 7:23 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Karen Zimmer, Secretary