

**American Association of University Women  
Tar Heel Branch (THB)  
Annual Meeting  
March 26, 2011**

**Call to Order**

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. at Best Western, Highpoint, North Carolina. President Doris Bernlohr presided.

**Roll Call**

**Board of Directors**

President: Doris Bernlohr

Treasurer: Nancy Shoemaker

Director at Large/Fundraising: Pat Abell

Director at Large/Public Policy: Roberta Madden (unable to attend)

Director at Large: Mari Pino del Rosario (unable to attend)

**Members**

Monique Stamps

Barie Baker

Lois McCarthy

Sue Williamson

Kathy Pearre

Karla Atkinson

Grace Knechtel

Mary Fran Schickedantz

Denny McGuire

Diane Schneider

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Michelle Evans

**Board Reports**

*President's Report/Membership*

President Doris Bernlohr reported the Board of Directors met in Greensboro to set goals for the year. Doris had two main goals for her second term as President. The first goal was to seek one or two colleges/universities to join AAUW as a college/university partner. In November 2010, Elon University joined as a result of these efforts. Second, Doris hoped to double the Tar Heel Branch's membership. At the Elon University event, fourteen members joined AAUW (Nine of which were renewing members at large, and six chose the THB). There were 89 members as of Friday, March 25. Two more members joined while attending the meeting.

Doris announced the AAUW National Convention will be held June 17-19 with fourteen THB members attending. There is room for additional members to attend.

*Director at Large Pat Abell/Fundraising*

Pat indicated her full report is available at the branch's website. The THB fell short by a few hundred dollars for its fundraising goal. More education is required for new members to understand the branch's fundraising model. The Board is hopeful for the coming year. Of special note, NC Women United (NCWU) donated \$100 in honor of Nancy Shoemaker winning the NCWU Anne Mackie Award for 2010. The gift brought donated funds to \$795.

*Director at Large Roberta Madden/Public Policy*

Roberta was unable to attend the meeting but shared her report on the THB website. The THB had five members participate in the NCWU Women's Agenda Assemblies and ten in Women's Advocacy Day in Raleigh. Roberta has sent a total of twenty-four weekly updates on current public policy issues.

**Financial Report**

Treasurer Nancy Shoemaker presented the financial report stating the branch is doing well. The branch's total assets were \$520.01 as of March 15, 2011. The report will be filed for audit. Membership renewals are due April through June. Members were encouraged to pay via the Internet.

**Unfinished Business**

The following two votes were taken by the THB Board since its last meeting.

1. The approval of Joyce Gad, Mari Pino del Rosario, and Bonnie Will to the 2011-2012 Nominating Committee.
2. To approve President Bernlohr's appointment of Joyce Gad to Chair the 2011-2012 Nominating Committee.

These votes were cast electronically and passed unanimously in December 2010.

The board also met in April, May, and October and the minutes of those meetings are posted on the website.

**New Business**

- President Bernlohr reviewed the 2011 AAUW National Convention timeline.
- In April, members will receive a packet with details about voting. Paper ballots or electronic voting options are available for each member. Voting starts on-line on May 1. The paper ballot deadline is May 31.
- Election of the following officers to lead the THB through June 30, 2012 was held. The new officers are as follows:
  - President: Nancy Shoemaker
  - Treasurer: Lyndee Ivey
  - Board members: Pat Abell, Jenine Atoji, Mari Pino del Rosario, Michelle Evans, Grace Knechtel, and Kathy Pearre

- Doris thanked the current Board members.
- Doris thanked Nancy Shoemaker for providing the virtual tour.

**Announcements**

- Nancy Shoemaker invited members to participate in the North Carolina Council for Women's event celebrating Women's History Month in Raleigh on March 30.
- Doris Bernlohr introduced new member, Monique Stamps, who is one of two project representatives for Drexel Vision 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

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Michelle Evans, Acting Secretary

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Doris Bernlohr, President