

**AAUW Tar Heel Branch  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2013**

The Annual Meeting of the Tar Heel Branch was called to order by Michelle Evans, Director at Large, at 8:30 AM on Saturday, April 13, 2013 with 14 members attending.

Michelle announced that the annual report covering branch activities was posted on the branch web site for members to review. Denny McGuire was appointed to act as secretary for the Annual Meeting.

Lyndee Champion Ivey presented the Branch's financial report which was available for review at the meeting and on-line. She also reported that Diane Schneider reviewed the report and supporting materials prior to its finalization. Two questions were raised. Lill Van Order asked for additional information about what expenses were covered in the Administration line item. Lyndee replied that it covered stamps, envelopes and materials for mailing and some travel costs. Mary Fran Schickendantz asked a question about dues. That question was taken off-line.

Michelle reviewed the preliminary results of the membership survey conducted on-line. The survey focused on member's relationships with the Tar Heel Branch—is it fulfilling its mission and how can it continue to improve? A summary of the full results will be posted on the website.

Michelle reviewed the membership report that showed a decline in membership from 2/1/2012. See <http://bit.ly/ZgTPFb>

Members were reminded that 2013-2014 dues are due now and should be paid by June 30, 2013. Paying dues on-line through AAUW's Member Center (accessible on the AAUW web site) is encouraged because it eliminates the need for mailings and administrative actions. Mary Peterson mentioned that AAUW has created a new logo and that copies of it are available through the web site. She also said that she had some poster-sized copies of the logo for branch use. Lill Van Order told the members that Julia Brown, a national representative to the NC AAUW meeting had helped in the creation of the new logo.

There was no unfinished business from the previous meeting.

Under New Business there was a discussion of the nomination process for officers of the Tar Heel Branch. Lill Van Order moved that "The Tar Heel Branch waive the Nominating Committee requirement for the 2013 election period." The motion was seconded by Karla Atkinson. The Branch had used the member survey to solicit potential officers for the 2013-14 year. The motion carried.

Candidates for office are:

Co-Presidents: Nancy Shoemaker and Michelle Evans

Treasurer: Lyndee Champion Ivey

Volunteers for the position of Director at Large include current board members Grace Knechtel and Mari Pino del Rosario and meeting attendees Karla Atkinson and Lill Van Order.

The slate will be finalized and presented to the branch for an electronic vote.

Under Announcements:

AAUWNC agreed to help sponsor the annual BPW/NC Convention. It will be held in Greensboro in June. AAUW's support will go towards an women's advocacy panel.

Lyndee Champion Ivey would be available during the day to accept membership renewals or donations.

The Board is seeking ideas for projects or social activities that the Branch might pursue. One idea suggested by Karla Atkinson is for the state AAUW to purchase one or more advocacy movies such as "Miss Representative" or "Half the Sky" and to make them available to branches to use.

Doris Bernlohr, past-president and co-founder of the Tar Heel Branch has a new email address.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00.