

AAUW Tar Heel Branch

Annual Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The Annual Meeting of the AAUW Tar Heel Branch was called to order at 7:40am by Co-President Christi Whitworth.

ATTENDANCE

The following branch members were in attendance:

Karla Atkinson
Libby Haile
Lill Van Order
Ellen Garbarino
Diane Schneider
Mary Fran Schickedantz
JoAnn Hall
Sue Mengert
Leona LaPerriere
Laura Garmendia
Jean D'Addario
Sandra McLaurin
Denny McGuire
Millie Hoffler-Foushee
Janice Imgrund
Kathy Pearre
Tarshima Hackett
Christine Ganis
Jane Terwillegar
Nancy Shoemaker
Cherrie Wheaton

MINUTES

Diane Schneider volunteered to be recording secretary for the Annual Meeting. Last year's minutes were projected on a screen for a brief review. A vote to approve the minutes as written was taken. The vote passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Nancy Shoemaker reviewed the financial report for FY17: 7/1/20-16-6/30/2017.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Treasurer Nancy Shoemaker reported that the branch had, according to the last list update, 94 members.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Since it's time to form a Nominating Committee, Co-President Christi Whitworth requested volunteers for this committee to seek out nominees for board positions. It will require at least one board member and one regular member. The slate needs to be presented by June. Members will vote electronically.

Jean D'Addario, Christine Ganis and Nancy Shoemaker agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee. They planned to meet while at the conference to discuss potential candidates. The branch will need a new Treasurer that Nancy Shoemaker will mentor prior to beginning her term of service.

DISCUSSION / NEW BUSINESS

Typically, prospective members looking to join a local branch are not aware of an existing virtual AAUW branch like Tar Heel Branch. It was suggested that state leaders make an effort to find out if a virtual member from another state moves to NC and recruit them.

Generally speaking, members of virtual branches need to understand that there's a commitment to serve on the board and carry out other needed duties. This is in contrast to local branches that require participation in fund raisers, meetings, workshops, luncheons, etc.

Members and guests were given the opportunity to introduce themselves and share their personal involvement with like-minded activities and groups. A wide variety of groups such as League of Women Voters, National Organization for Women, Democracy North Carolina, Womens Forum of North Carolina were mentioned.

Available literature and cards displayed on a table were pointed out for members to take home with them, such as "Women Vote" cards.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Co-Presidents asked members if there were any questions. They thanked everyone for coming and acknowledged the board for their service. The meeting was then adjourned at 8:30am by Co-President Joanne Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Schneider
AAUW-NC Branch Advocate

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