

AAUW Bellingham Board Agenda
February 23, 2019, 10:00-12:00
Affinity Dining Room

Judith Entwife, President

Call to Order: Judith Entwife, Helene Berg-Kolin, Gwen Parker, India Nishi, Jean Cox-Treverton, Felix Stribling (WWU student), Julia Braunbeck (WWU student), Roni Lenore, Catherine Chambers, Esther Golde, Carol Simmer, Jo Pullen,

Minutes: Jean Cox-Treverton

- **Correction to January Board Minutes:** Student Food Pantry s/b money collected will go to "supplementing the food items needed for distribution"
- Corrected minutes approved by acclamation

Treasurer's Report: Helene Berg-Kolin

- **Savings: \$14,917.86**
- **Checking: \$6,579.41** reflects a distribution of \$1000 to Tech Trek
- **Subsidize members to attend the State Meeting:** M/S/P up to one-half of cost of a half or whole scholarship for those who want to attend

Mark Your Calendar-

- March general meeting on **Saturday, March 9**, Program Cheryl Crooks from Cascadia Film Festival
- **March 4** Human Rights Film Festival, needs members to support the film and moderate the discussion afterwards,
- also need a member to man a Branch information table

Project Reports

WWU student PR group: India Nishi

- **Felix Stribling (WWU student), Julia Braunbeck (WWU student)**
- part of a student group affiliated with AAUW at WWU
- focus is defining student interest on campus
- focus is defining benefit to student needs
- training for students to become change agents
- M/S/P to provide up to \$1000 for student NCCWSL leadership training sponsored by AAUW

- making leadership training and social media communications and web training sustainable
- need members to support organizational processes
 - M/S/P Enter into agreement to support the students with ongoing plan/ ideas for **WWU Student Involvement Project**
- implementation of mentorship program to help students advocate for themselves
 - M/S/P to establish a Branch Student Involvement Project Committee, India Nishi to be chairperson

501(c)3 findings: Roni Lenore, India Nishi

- \$50 for WA non-profit application
- \$450 for IRS application: must be renewed every year
- State AAUW Special Projects fund can be used to collect donations, or give donations, in lieu of establishing 501(c)3, if state is willing to use Special Projects fund for other than Tech Trek
- M/S/P Use application to Special Projects Funds for High School Scholars as a case study: Roni Lenore to be chairperson

2020 19th Amendment classroom presentations chair: Catherine Chambers

Student Food Pantry collection at the March meeting

Reminder to Track your "in kind" donations: Helene Berg-Kolin

Researching cell phone radiation: Camille Brighten, Josephine Hollandbeck

Officers and Chairs monthly responsibilities reports needed beginning in April at Board Meeting

Committee Reports

Bylaws- Still looking for volunteer to monitor state and national web sites, and write branch bylaw changes to include adding traditional vp as an elected office

Fundraising: Carol Simmer

- Laurien Towers: \$50/\$100 if she does periodic consulting
- wants a definition of goals and budget for fundraising
- question: should Bellingham AAUW be a member of Chamber of Commerce
- discussion going forward re name change to identify branch as county rather than city name
- M/S/P designate up to \$300 for fundraising committee to work with a consultant

High School Scholars: Jean Cox-Treverton

- high schools have been contacted re awards this year

Nominating Committee: Judith Entwife, Jean Cox-Treverton, Susan Moen, Carol Simmer

- Co-Presidents: Judith Entwife, India Nishi
- Membership Co-Vice Presidents: Robin Kagan and Judi Edwards;
- Program Co-Vice Presidents: Margo Hammond and Lisa Hammond;
- traditional vp awaiting branch bylaws change

Hospitality: Carol Simmer working on establishment of a standing committee for refreshments and decorations

Program: Catherine Chambers

- March will be Cascadia Film Festival speaker
- April will be State Meeting
- May will be High School Scholars
- June will be program fundraiser

Tech Trek: Pam Sankey, Esther Golde

- working on nominations from middle schools delayed due to snow days

Adjourn by 12:00