

AAUW Bellingham Board Minutes

January 26, 2019, 11:30 to 1:30 Affinity Dining Room

Judith Entwife, President

Call to Order: Judith Entwife, Helene Berg-Kolin, Carol Simmer, Esther Golde, Kathy Jenkis, Judy Fruhbauer, Judi Edwards, George Edwards, Gwen Parker

Minutes: Jean Cox-Treverton

- **December corrected minutes approved by acclamation**
- **Corrections: No motion for conference attendance for Catherine Chambers who did not request funds; \$150 was for future speaker gifts not for conference attendees**

Treasurer's Report: Helene Berg-Kolin

- **Savings: \$14,917.86**
- **Checking: \$7,703.17**
- **\$150 issue reported last month: bank error that has been corrected**
- **Branch needs audit of financial records prior to budget for coming year.**

Mark Your Calendar

- **February general meeting **Saturday, February 9**, at Bellingham YWCA**
- **Program will be cybersecurity**
- **February 1, 2019, Judith to be part of panel on Intersectional Feminism at Village Books**
- **Scholarship and community relations committee met: information was presented re turmoil on campus**
- **contention that WWU community is not as inclusive as students feel institution should be**

Project Reports

2020 19th classroom presentations

- **Need chair, have presenters**
- **Judith, Carol, Jean, Susan, Catherine and Judy Fruhbauer committee**

Student Food Pantry

- **continues at each general meeting**
- **80 lbs of food donated to WCC**
- **money donated will be used by pantry to buy fresh foods and vegetables**
- **February meeting will collect for WWU: requested personal items as well as food, etc.**

Free student membership: Jean Cox-Treverton

- M/S/P to establish student memberships **for those** Tech Trek campers and High School Scholars **who might be interested in participating with our programs and general meetings**

Women's History Conference 2020: Catherine Chambers

- Catherine attended conference in San Diego
- attended Mapping the Heros of Suffrage Movement
- Monologue Scripts used in classrooms to present Women's History
- three theater presentations on Women's History
- purchased vendor items from Women's History Project to use for speaker gifts going forward

Human Rights Film Festival: Roni Lenore

- need person to intro, lead discussion
- Roni will take responsibility for table and discussion for the "Other Walla"
- Needs person to take second film in March

Annual branch honorees policy: Jean Cox-Treverton

- M/S/P to accept Pam Sankey, Kathy Cole and Rebecca Bunn as 2018-2019 Bellingham Branch Honorees

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

- in-kind is wrong designation; intended to reflect those costs donated and volunteered for the good of the branch -- those items for which members do not ask for reimbursement
- s/b category: **Non-Reimbursed Expenses**
- pay dues online: national has program where dues can be paid on line using a credit card; national then pays state and branch dues
- Helene Berg-Kolin and Susan Moen are learning how to use it
- donations can be made to national, but not to state and local

Restoration Justice: Lynne Lohr

- internship in pastoral care at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago
- "Battered Chaplin" was written about experiences
- asking for support in pursuing justice for battered women syndrome she has experienced at the hands of one perpetrator

Cell phone/electronic radiation exposure:

- M/S/P to research exposure risks in small spaces based on member health risks to radiation exposure.
- General Meeting ask for someone to research item.

Committee Reports

Bylaws- Still looking for a monitor

Fundraising: Carol Simmer

- Catherine Chambers researching ways to re-sell items at meetings purchased from vendors re women artists etc.

High School Scholars: Jean Cox-Treverton, Kathy Jenkins-

- STEAM
- requesting 4 nominations from each high school for 2019

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

- president, membership vp, traditional vp/apprentice, program VP/Co-VP
- desperate need for volunteers

Program: Catherine Chambers

- Sheryl Cooks from Cascadia Film Festival will be March speaker
- \$125 to sponsor film for International Women's Day

Tech Trek: Esther Golde

- pledges to cover 4 sponsorships
- early state deadline March 1
- M/S/P Branch to cover any sponsorship that cannot have funds to state by March 1
- M/S/P support 1 Tech Trek \$1000 sponsorship. Will revisit need, with potential second sponsorship to be voted, if needed, at February board meeting.

Girls Go Tech

- Saturday, April 13
- need representative from AAUW to participate
- M/S/P give WWC \$500 to support program

Adjourn by 1:30