

## AAUW Maryland 2019 Officer Nominations

The nominating committee for 2019 is composed of Dorothy Fraquelli, representing the Baltimore branch, Raluca Rosca, representing the College Park Branch, and Edith Allison, representing the Gaithersburg branch. This committee was charged with nominating candidates for Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Vice-president and Public Policy Vice-president.

The current Treasurer, Christine Schmitz has agreed to continue for a second term and the current Membership Vice President, Carol Mueller has also agreed to continue for a second term.

Our two co-secretaries are unable to continue. Mary Anne Williams has served two terms and therefore is ineligible for reelection. Heather Reichardt has declined to be nominated to second term due to the press of new job responsibilities.

Edith Allison of Gaithersburg branch has agreed to be nominated for Secretary.

Erin Prangle has agreed to continue as one of a pair of Public Policy co-Vice-presidents. Kashay Webb from Baltimore branch has agreed to be nominated to be co-Vice-president with Erin.

To introduce this year's new nominees:

### **Kashay Webb**

Kashay Webb is a member of the Baltimore Branch and founder of the student branch at Notre Dame of Maryland University. She has served as AAUW Maryland's policy fellow for the past year. Kashay is a recent graduate of Notre Dame at Maryland University with a degree in Philosophy and Biology. She is currently Special Projects Administrator at St. Mary's Outreach Center. She will be pursuing a master's degree in healthcare administration this fall.



### **Edith Allison**

Edie Allison is semi-retired, continuing to work in geoscience but on a part time basis. She has been active in the AAUW Gaithersburg branch for 20 years. She currently is branch treasurer and helps with the used book sale and participates in AAUW Lobby Corps.

Edie has served as Maryland AAUW president, membership co-Vice-president and newsletter editor at various times in the past. Her special interest is increasing the retention and advancement of women in STEM careers — research shows that women are laid off at much higher rates than men during corporate downsizing.

Ms. Allison has bachelor's degree in geology from West Texas State University and a master's degree, also in geology, from the University of Utah. She has worked as a petroleum geologist for industry, the U.S. Department of Energy and the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

