

AGENDA

Summer Board Meeting

Saturday, 7/29/2023

In person & Via Zoom

1:15-4:00 pm

- 1) Welcome (President Tracy Lantz)
- 2) Roll Call of the Branches (establishing a quorum)
- 3) Approval of Minutes of Transition Board Meeting (7/16/23)
- 4) Renewed effort to work with other states in our region

Carol Mueller and Dian Belanger are working with a planning committee on a possible regional event. Suggested that at least \$200 will be required up front from each state. States in our 'region'/for a possible event: MD, VA, NC, SC, GA, DE.

- 5) Revisit our support of NCCWSL:
 - a. report out on May 2023 event. (Pat Stocker's report and others)
 - b. Unknowns: Location of future events, can we still support at the \$20,000 level.

 Bea would like a partner to assist with fundraising should we decide to continue to support this event. Further consideration by the board once we hear from National.
- 6) Opportunities for leader training, let Tracy know what training is needed and who needs that training. Will coordinate via zoom.
- 7) Need one more volunteer to serve on the **state** nominating committee. The Committee needs input on good candidates for the following **state** positions for 2024: President, Funds VP, Communications VP, Programs VP and the next nominating committee.
- 8) AAUW National database concerns:
 - a. Counterpart directory shared by Susan Wierman on 7/25 via email
 - b. Input from Christine-concerns voiced during transition board meeting
- 9) Donation to VoteEquality-Let's be a sponsor of the RVG!

- 10) 2022-2023 Final Budget update (Carol Mueller). Share proposed 2023-2024 budget. Discuss and vote on next fiscal year's budget (2023-2024)
- 11) Branch action items per 2022-2023 programs-Heather and Jacki
- 12) AAUW flyer for branch use-AAUW Maryland website-tools for leaders-fill in branch name and contact email
- 13) <u>Looking for a branch to host the 2024 spring convention</u> Recent hosts: 2023: Howard, 2022: Anne Arundel, 2021 Online, 2020, online, 2019: Garrett (Wisp), 2018: Baltimore
- 14) Outgoing officers: please be sure to exchange your records for your successor and archive other records with Terry Sayler (410) 757-2446 saylerterry2@gmail.com

Announcements:

- Fall Conference and board meeting: <u>Saturday, September 30th</u> in Bethesda. Program will focus on Climate Change with Bob Deans, strategy director for the Natural Resources Defense Council and likely one additional speaker on climate issues.
- Advocating for the passage of the ERA is one of my priorities for this coming year. The following statement from AAUW's page also has a prominent place on the AAUW Maryland home page:
 - To guarantee equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse and inclusive society, AAUW advocates the passage and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.
 - Our support is in line with AAUW National. The 2021-2023 Public Policy Priorities directly call for the passage and ratification of the ERA. National has been:
 - Working in coalition with other gender equity and civil rights organizations, including the <u>ERA Coalition</u>.
 - Mobilizing AAUW advocates and members through targeted calls to action on important legislation, like <u>J. Res. 17/S.J. Res. 1</u> which would remove the deadline for ratification of the ERA.
 - Joining timely amicus briefs to assist the courts in coming to informed decisions about the ERA.
- Highlights of the ERA Convention in Seneca Falls
- MD ERA Taskforce Chair: Judy Carbone, we will be seeking volunteers to join the taskforce soon
- Updates/Announcements from officers and branches (as time allows)