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In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

Developing Our Collective Voice Overview of Proposed Public Policy Pilot

Most of our NC branches have not designated a public policy coordinator to follow legislation, update branch members and alert them when contact with legislators is critical. Nonetheless, those in attendance at the annual meeting in High Point in March 2011 agreed that public policy (PP) was a priority issue among other programs on the newly structured AAUW NC Board.

AAUW NC officers, as well as Mary Peterson and Elaine Ostrowski (prior AAUW NC PP coordinators) have been discussing how to translate this understanding into a branch project in 2011-2012.

Agreed Points in Discussion

- The goal of a PP pilot project is to realize the collective potential of AAUW NC to affect public policy on issues affecting girls and women, especially at the state level.
- This goal can be met by identifying branches or members of branches who are interested in influencing public policy.
- The task of monitoring PP must be easy for a branch/member to manage.
- Focusing on a few specific pieces of legislation - rather than the entire gambit of women's issues - is "doable" for most branches/members.
- Not all branches will choose to participate but for those that do, branches will choose one legislative issue which reflects the interests and/or expertise of their members.
- Regardless of the issue, participating branches/members will need tools as well as a clear set of expectations to participate in the PP pilot project.

- Implementing a PP pilot project will be governed by the time frames of the sessions at the state level (long and short sessions in Raleigh) and at the federal level (short breaks).

Update on the Project Discussion

The pilot project committee is developing a list of public policy issues which are central in the lives of girls and women. Branches/members that choose to participate in the pilot project will select one issue to monitor from this list.

Once the issue is identified, a few key bills will be targeted. The branch/member will be given a resource kit tailored to the targeted bills.

The kit will identify the bills by number and will have a brief content summary.

The kit will also include 2-3 web sites, brief talking points and the government web site for tracking the legislation. For NC legislation, the branch/member will also use a government web site to identify legislative committee assignments in both chambers.

Finally, branches/members will receive guidelines on what constitutes "alert" status and how to go about sending an alert.

Branch Involvement in the Project

The pilot committee will schedule face-to-face contact with each branch to explain the project and gauge the interests of the branch or individual members in the branch to participate.

If the pilot progress appears worthwhile from the branches' point of view, an identical approach would be taken in spring 2012, with the focus shifting from the national to the state level when NC legislators reconvene in May 2012.

Presidents' Message

Lill Van Order and Karla Atkinson, AAUW NC Co-Administrators

We were generally pleased with what was accomplished at our annual meeting in High Point. See the article on the first page which outlines the AAUW NC Board's response to the membership discussion on public policy.

Though the High Point discussion about cluster meetings was brief, the response from branch presidents to Pat Abell's query about future cluster meetings was clear. Branch presidents are supportive of holding cluster meetings this fall.

For most branch presidents, the concept of the cluster meeting may be "traditional." That is, the "old" cluster meetings featured a program, presumably of interest to all the branch members who attended. Usually 20-40 attended. Lunch was served. Time was allotted for brief branch reports and socializing. The meeting usually ended in the early afternoon.

On the other hand, given the new structure of AAUW NC and the organization of branch presidents into a Presidents Council, a cluster meeting can take on a different focus.

Branch presidents need a forum to meet for discussion and updates. More importantly, AAUW officers, especially the Branch Advocate VP, need the guidance of branch presidents to address state business through June 2012. Implications of the changed AAUW NC structure, proposed projects/priorities, and future directions of our state organization will be governed by the Presidents Council.

Additionally, the opportunity for branch presidents (and other leaders) who live near each other to meet is much simpler to organize. There's no need to arrange a general program or find space for a large group. Attendance will be much smaller. Financial support for presidents/leaders to attend is possible.

Though our state structure has changed, the future of AAUW NC continues to be vested in the decisions of branch presidents -- not the decisions of our five elected officers.

For these reasons, this "nontraditional" cluster option is the one which we plan to arrange in September.

We look forward to meeting with branch presidents and leaders in September. In the interim please give us a call or email if there's anything on your mind that you feel we need to know.

Stay Cool...Lill and Karla

Memorials of Passing Members in 2010-2011

It is with sadness and sympathy for the friends and families that we report the passing of the following members of AAUW North Carolina.

Pat Richardson- Asheville Branch

Jane Hoerrner, Nancy Gibson and
Elizabeth Reagan- Brevard Branch

Dorothy (Dot) Lyday- Bryson City Branch

Nelda Bynum - Greensboro Branch

Mae Chandler - Hendersonville Branch

Amy Foster - Hendersonville Branch

Kay Moorhead - Hendersonville Branch

Ethelyn Harper- Raleigh Wake Branch

Hilda Goodman Foreman- Salisbury Branch

Barbara Lee Smith- Winston-Salem Branch

These members were active, supportive and devoted to the mission of AAUW; they will be thought of often and greatly missed.

NC Governor's Conference for Women

On November 2, 2011 the North Carolina Governor's Conference for Women will convene more than 1,500 women from across the state on a variety of women's issues. The conference will be held at the Charlotte Convention Center.

First launched in 2006, this day-long experience includes a mix of speakers, entertainment, and an opportunity for networking, information sharing, and education. The purpose of the conference is for women to educate each other and then take our learnings back to our communities.

The theme for the 2011 NC Governor's Conference for Women is Power Up, Power On! Speakers include CNN anchor Suzanne Malveaux, author Terry McMillan and Governor Beverly Purdue. The program also includes breakout sessions on career building, health issues and financial well being. The NC Women Hall of Fame induction will take place at the luncheon.

Registration information is available on
www.ncwomensconference.com

Lilly Ledbetter Attends Women's Advocacy Day in Raleigh

Along with lead sponsor North Carolina Women United (NCWU), AAUW NC was a participating sponsor of the reception for Lilly Ledbetter in Raleigh on February 28. Lilly Ledbetter, namesake of the "Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act," the first bill signed by President Obama upon taking office in 2009, was a special guest at the General Assembly the next day, March 1, during Women's Advocacy Day.

NCWU released the 2011 Women's Legislative Agenda that morning. The agenda focused on several issues which were determined by NCWU's 36 member organizations to be the most pressing issues facing women and their families in North Carolina. These issues ranged from access to reproductive health care to support for maintaining the state Earned Income Tax Credit which aids low to moderate income working families. The complete draft of the Women's Legislative Agenda is available on the NCWU website, www.ncwu.org.

In the morning nearly 200 women and men met at the NC Legislature, heard from Lilly Ledbetter, some legislators and NCWU-related advocates. Speakers included Representatives Alma Adams (D-Guilford), Susan Fisher (D-Buncombe), Rick Glazier (D-Cumberland), Larry Hall (D-Durham), Deborah Ross (D-Wake), Jennifer Weiss (D-Wake) and Senator Josh Stein (D-Wake). They spoke on access to health care, civic participation and equality, economic self-sufficiency, and violence against women.

Participants then spread out across the legislative complex to talk to their representatives for the remainder of the day, advocating for the most pressing public policies impacting the women of North Carolina as outlined in the Agenda.

NC Women United (NCWU) is a coalition of progressive organizations and individuals working to achieve the full political, social, and economic equality of all women across North Carolina. NCWU works to build women's power through grassroots activism, community organizing, legislative advocacy, and engagement in the political process. AAUW NC is a partner in this coalition.

New Giving Circle Honors Lilly Ledbetter

The Lilly Ledbetter Impact Grant Giving Circle was created in the spring of 2010 to celebrate the momentous victory achieved when the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act became the first bill President Obama signed into law after taking office. "AAUW's Public Policy Impact Grants, which this giving circle supports, build capacity within the recipient states to organize effective grassroots advocacy activities on AAUW public policy priorities."



AAUW NC branch members who attended the reception for Lilly Ledbetter include (lt. to rt) Denny McGuire, Nancy Shoemaker, Christina Tartaglia, Doris Bernlohr, Lilly Ledbetter, Becky Mock, Michelle Evans, Karla Atkinson and Mary Peterson.

Contributions to AAUW Funds are tax deductible and can be restricted to any specific fund or program by writing the fund or program name or number on your check or on an accompanying document. Some of the most commonly designated funds and programs include the Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF), the Public Policy Fund, the Educational Opportunities Fund, the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund and the Leadership Programs Fund.

College/University Updates: Elon College Joins and Western Carolina University Organizes

Elon University has joined the American Association of University Women. Alison Morrison-Shetlar, Dean of Elon College, the College of Arts and Sciences, made the announcement in mid March.

She noted that "as a long time member of this organization, I'm pleased that through this group women and girls are supported to achieve their dreams and gain professional development, scholarships and support to achieve nationally and internationally...The scholarship opportunities are huge, the leadership opportunities are huge and the networking opportunities are also significant."

Laura Wright, Director of Graduate Studies at Western Carolina University, has joined the Tar Heel Branch (THB) and plans to continue organizing WCU faculty, students and women in the greater Cullowee area to explore options for beginning an AAUW branch in that area of western North Carolina. Joining the THB was also an option for individuals in the Elon College community.

By becoming a member of AAUW, Elon is one of ten higher education institutions in North Carolina that are part of the college/university network of AAUW.

AAUW NC Contingent at National Convention

In late March some of the Tar Heel Branch members who attended the AAUW NC annual meeting in High Point were debating whether they would attend the national AAUW convention in Washington in mid June; others had already made plane reservations; still others were considering going to convention if they



The Tar Heel Branch (THB) met at 8am on Saturday, March 26, at the Best Western in High Point, coinciding with the annual meeting of AAUW of North Carolina. Leading the THB through June 30, 2012 will be President Nancy Shoemaker, Treasurer Lyndee Ivey and Board members PatAbell, Jenine Atoji, Mari Pino delRosario, Michelle Evans, Grace Knechtel, and Kathy Pearre.

could arrange a ride.

Doris Bernlohr, THB president, recently reported that fifteen THB members had registered for convention. Many of those planning to attend are dual members of the THB and will be representing their local branches as well.

THB members with dual memberships who are planning to attend convention will also be representing Brevard, Wilmington, Charlotte, New Bern, Chapel Hill, Raleigh/Wake County and Greensboro branches at the national convention June 16-19 in Washington.

They include Kay White, Karla Atkinson, Sandy Bernard, Denny McGuire, Peg Holmes, Mary Peterson, Joan Robertson, Diane Schneider, Mary Fran Schickedantz, Nancy Shoemaker, Queen Thompson, Lill Van Order, Doris Bernlohr, Debra Massey-Richardson and Millie Hoffer-Foushee.

Reports and highlights from convention will be featured in a special issue of the Tar Heel News which will be published in the summer. Webmaster Nancy Shoemaker continues to plan how to best offer the Tar Heel News through email to those who wish to receive the THN in this format. See the article below for an update on plans for an e-newsletter.

Plans Continue for State E-Newsletter

In May, webmaster Nancy Shoemaker took the first step in setting up an e-newsletter for AAUW NC by ordering the state membership list from AAUW. There are 991 people with email on the list and the total number of names on our state mailing list (including MALs) is 1324.

The next step was to send out a survey to determine which members would like to receive AAUW NC news in a email format. The primary purpose for the survey is to comply with the e-newsletter system terms of service. We cannot simply send out an e-newsletter without some kind of permission from recipients that they agree to receive it.

The results from the survey will determine the next step. How

many members are willing to accept an e-newsletter from the state? How many members will actually open the e-newsletter we send?

If there are a significant number of positive responses from AAUW NC members to the e-newsletter question on the survey, Nancy will select an e-newsletter system and load that list directly into this system. Preliminary thoughts are that we need to have at least 200 people responding "Yes. I'll subscribe".

Regardless of the survey results, at this point, we will continue to do a paper newsletter, though perhaps not as often. Branch presidents will be notified of the survey results and next steps, once the survey comments and results are tallied.

"Every Table" at the AAUW Greensboro Luncheon

Mary Fran Schickedantz



Sue Metz, President of the Greensboro Branch, addresses guests at luncheon

Every table was filled for Greensboro's last luncheon of the year.

Patty Schram, the guest speaker, addressed "Myths about Girls in STEM Fields, Stimulating Mathematical Thinking among Girls." Schram is a teacher at the Lincoln Math & Science Academy, a middle school program of the Guilford County Public Schools.

The table talk was lively even before Schram spoke. Present at the luncheon were Dr. Julianne Malveaux, President of Bennett College for Women and the C/U

Rep with Bennet's C/U partnership and Carole Lindsey-Potter, C/U Rep and administrator in the Women & Gender Studies Department at UNCG.

Elizabeth Bucar, recipient of an American Fellowship for 2011-12 at UNCG, and Jacqueline Billeci Oates, Graduate Student Manager at the Joint School Nanoscience and Nanoengineering of NC A&T and UNCG, also attended.

Joining the luncheon conversations was Dr. Lakshmi Iyer, a Greensboro branch member. Dr. Iyer is Director of It Is For Girls!, a free week long workshop at UNCG for rising 9th, 10th, and 11th grade girls. See website: wiit.uncg.edu.

AAUW (Community Action Grant) is one of the Gold Sponsors of the branch's continuing work to promote STEM activities in the area.

Making Sense of Money Matters

Mary Fran Schickedantz, Treasurer

As treasurer of AAUW NC it is obvious to me which branches continue to market their branch throughout the year. As I make deposits of state dues, I can identify the branches who continually increase their membership year-long. I am convinced that there is a direct correlation between mission-based programming and new members.

As you plan in your branches for next year, please include AAUW NC as a resource for achieving your mission-based goals. Our new structure includes new people and new funds to help.

When we close the books on 2011, we should have \$10,000 in checking account balance and \$15,000 invested in a CD. We have saved money on the Tar Heel News, reduced the number of face to face meetings, and added conference calls and e-mail to carry on business.

The Executive Committee is planning to increase the Special Project Category (STEM, mini-grants and other branch projects) from \$2500 to at least \$5000. Branches may go to aauwnc.org and find the application for helping to upgrade their offerings in their community. Put your branch REALLY

on our map by taking advantage of these resources!

We need to evaluate our support of Advocacy/Coalition Partners, perhaps increasing that support. There is good reason to link your branch to this network to which AAUW NC belongs.

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
2011 Budget	\$7500	\$13,800
Actual YTD	\$8000	\$10,957
2012 Proposed	\$7500	\$14,700
Checking Acct Balance	\$11,443	
CD	\$15,221	

The budgets are not balanced.

The plan continues to spend more money than we raise. The "unbalanced" budget gives the officers permission to dip into the reserve for special projects, support for mission-based activities at the branch level and stronger coalition partnerships.

Highlights from High Point

Fifteen branches/55 members were represented at the Annual Meeting in High Point on March 25-26, 2011. A presentation was given by AAUW Board member David Kirkwood. Workshops were presented by Diane Johnston, Charlotte branch, and Nora Hanagan, AAUW Fellow at Duke University.

This year's annual meeting centered on adopting proposals to make AAUW NC a more efficient organization which could better serve the branches.

The proposed structure to reduce the size of the AAUW Board was approved.

Five officers were elected for one year. These include Co-Presidents Lill Van Order/Wilmington and Karla Atkinson/Brevard . Denny McGuire/Raleigh-Wake County will serve as Treasurer. Pat Abell/Statesville will become Branch Advocate Vice President and Debra Richardson/Greensboro was elected Second Vice President.

All branch presidents will now function as a Presidents Council. The Branch Advocate VP will be their liaison to the Board. Branch presidents stressed the importance of meeting periodically in their region/area -- a concept similar to the cluster meetings held across the state a decade ago.

Those in attendance agreed that each branch could adopt a few pieces of legislation which that branch will monitor closely throughout a legislative session. A legislative alert process will be developed as a pilot project. The goal of the project is to position AAUW NC as an active, rather than reactive, organization shaping public policy



Officers of the newly structured AAUW NC Board include (lft to rt) Debra Richardson (Second VP), Denny McGuire (Treasurer), Lill VanOrder (Co-President), Karla Atkinson (Co-President) and Pat Abell (Branch Advocate VP)

affecting women and girls.

Efforts to communicate more through conference calls, email postings, webinars, etc. will be stressed, in an effort to reduce the time and expense of traveling to meet. AAUW NC has doubled its expense budget so that more financial assistance (\$5000) is available to branches for leadership development, convention travel, mini grants, technology training and local programs.

These new initiatives, including restructuring, will operate as a pilot program for one fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2011.

Branch News

Asheville

The Branch and the YMCA sponsored "Stand Against Racism" in April, a daylong event of programs around Asheville by schools, colleges, artists groups, businesses, and other civic organizations to raise awareness that racism still exists and cannot be ignored or tolerated. In June fundraiser for the GEM Scholarship Fund (Gaining Educational Momentum) will be held on the AB Technical College campus. The Fund provides partial scholarships to five women whose education has been interrupted or delayed.

Brevard

Branch membership is at an all time high of 138 members. Four girls attending Brevard College and six women attending Blue Ridge Community College were awarded scholarships. Funding was provided for four 6th grade girls to attend the Clemson WISE Summer Camp and for two 4th grade girls to attend the Green River Science Camp last summer. Preparation is underway for the annual Used Book Sale which provides the funds to underwrite these scholarships. As part of Women's History Month in March, members played Jeopardy in every 5th grade class in the county. The questions were all about significant women historically and currently.

Bryson City

The Branch held a local candidates forum in October for the election of commissioners, sheriff, register of deeds, school board members, and local circuit judges.

Chapel Hill

Former president Robyn Boyer has moved to Maryland. Sandy Smalley is the new Chapel Hill Branch President.

Charlotte

The bi-annual fundraiser, Book-Authors Luncheon, was held in April, raising \$850.00 for the AAUW Fund.

Eden

The Branch honored the top ten graduating senior girls with recognition and a flower at the school Awards Day.

Gaston Regional

A new project this year has been to take eight math and eight science classes to girls at the Boys and Girls Club and YMCA. They were well received.

Hendersonville

Two successful fundraisers were held by the Branch in October, an Afternoon Tea and Fashion Show, and in March, a bus trip to Western Carolina University to see a performance of Kiss Me Kate. Funds raised support two scholarships awarded annually to two sophomore women students at Blue Ridge Community College who transfer to a four year college/university.

High Country

The Branch is in the middle of a very successful raffle fundraiser.

Prizes are packages of certificates generously donated by local restaurants with a combined estimated value of \$1000. Scholarships were given to "Camp Invention" to provide partial funding for three girls at ASU this summer. One scholarship will be provided to "Math and Science Camp" at ASU this summer. The largest project for the year will be the day of art, food, fun, and a trip to Horn in the West planned for participants of New Opportunity School for Women in July.

Jacksonville Regional

A scholarship at Coastal Carolina Community College was sponsored for a non-traditional female student.

Statesville

The Branch's team approach to programming continues to increase interaction among members and has expanded the range of topics that relate to the AAUW mission. Virginia Palmer, Fundamental Volunteer Coordinator for the Statesville Branch, received a Volunteer Awards Certificate of Recognition from the Washington DC-based RIF program for her dedication to improving literacy in her community for the last 14 years. 12,000 books have been distributed to children in the community.

Tar Heel Branch

Twenty five new members were recruited at two successful recruiting events, a "College Coffee" at Elon University and at the NC Council for Women. The web site, tarheel.aauwnc.org/new-member, is being used to help orient new members. The Branch is pleased that all incoming AAUW NC executive board members are THB members also. The Branch opened a second checking account and used it to support the Wake County Women's Agenda Assembly. The coalition running the Assembly did all the work of collecting the money, but the Branch was able to provide administrative support, including online payment, to simplify their efforts. Other similar groups are welcome to make this arrangement with the Branch.

Twin Rivers/New Bern

For the third year the Branch is sponsoring a middle school girl to attend the summer engineering camp located on the Havelock campus of Craven Community College with curriculum and some instructors supplied by NCSU.

Wilmington

Two mature women who are continuing their education and will be enrolled at UNCW in the fall were selected by the scholarship committee to receive a \$1000 scholarship each.

Winston Salem

Co-president Marilyn Cardwell is now overseeing branch activities in the absence of the other co-president, Janice Imgrund, who is spending the entire summer in Alaska!

Sandhills / Southern Pines

The Branch had two fundraising projects: continuation of the tuition scholarship at Sandhills Community College, the Ruth Pauley Lecture Series and the Sally Ride Award in the Moore County Middle Schools. Gertrude Schrader and Grace Damon, very active members of the branch, have moved away to be near family. Nancy Shoemaker visited with the branch early this year and spoke about efforts

being made to keep AAUW alive.

Greensboro

A variety of interesting programs were presented spotlighting various agencies, notably, a non-profit that shelters and trains the homeless and an agency that supports and advocates for young people in local high schools who struggle with gender issues. The Branch hosted a Long Term Care seminar for the community through

AAUW and its affiliation with AARP. The annual meeting was held at the Greensboro Historical Museum. An American Fellow was hosted at the holiday luncheon. The Branch is fundraising for a micro credit loan for the women in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Dr. Lakshmi Iyer, AAUW grant recipient, is implementing a STEM project at UNC-G this summer, training and mentoring high school girls interested in IT careers.

WomenNC Makes an Impact

Since its inception two years ago, WomenNC (North Carolina for CEDAW/CSW) has evolved into a viable organization at a very significant pace. The organization represents a statewide effort in NC to support the work the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW). CEDAW, adopted in 1979 by the United Nations General Assembly, consists of a preamble and 30 articles that define what constitutes discrimination against women. The United States is the only developed nation that has not ratified the CEDAW.

WomenNC achievements since 2009 include:

- Sponsored four CSW Student Fellows representing five NC universities at both the 2010 and 2011 United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in New York City.
- Strengthened relations with community/civic groups such

as Women's Club of Raleigh, InterAct, Soroptimist, Stop Sex Trafficking, AAUW, and United Nations Association (Wake Chapter.)

- Made CSW student fellowship presentations at InterAct, Women's Club of Raleigh, AAUW, NOW Raleigh, UNC Chapel Hill, NCSU, Meredith College, Soroptimist International, Church Women United, N.C. Women United, Junior Women's Club, N.C. Council for Women, Wake County Commission for Women, and United Nations Association (Wake).

Beth Dehghan, Executive Director of WomenNC, recently announced that the organization has been awarded 501c (3) status. The organization is now embarking on a new phase of strategic development, with the goal of expanding the scope of the organization and involving a broader group of individuals and affiliations. More information about WomenNC is available at www.womennc.org.

AAUW NC Members in the News

Hallman Wins Achievement Award

Judy Hallman, Tar Heel Branch member, was awarded the Non-profit Technology Network, Lifetime Achievement Award. She was employed at UNC-Chapel Hill in computer support services and thirty years later was the campus webmaster before retiring in 1999. She began in 1996 providing services to small nonprofits

Stamps Represents AAUW in Vision Project

Monique Stamps, AAUW member of the THB, is a National Delegate representing NC to the Drexel University School of Medicine Vision 20/20 campaign. This honor is shared with Roberta Harper, Charlotte BofA executive. Vision 2020 delegates from all 50 states will launch projects that feed the goal of women's equality. Stamps says her efforts will revolve around providing mentor-

Bucar Wins American Fellowship

Elizabeth Bucar is UNCG's recipient of an American Fellowship for 2011-12. She will be completing her book during her fellowship. [The Good of Ambiguous Bodies: The Interaction of Scientific and Theological Discourses in Catholic and Shii Ethics](#) describes and explains a startling difference of positions on transsexuality within two religious traditions renowned for

through RTPnet. She's on the Advisory Board of PIN Inc. and she is an organizer for NCTech4Good, the collaborative group which is helping others learn how technology can advance the mission of nonprofit organizations.

ing for girls and women.

Monique works as Peer Advocate at Disability Rights & Resources in Charlotte, N.C. and serves as the chairperson of the Gaston County Advocacy Council for People with Disabilities. She is a graduate of Winthrop University and the mother of two children.

conservative teachings on sex.

Bucar commented, " My goal is to provide new intellectual ground for understanding the comparative definitions of the human in a scientific age. This project enhances public understanding of how religious practice and ideas interact with medical discourses in a cross-cultural perspective."

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Greensboro, NC

Reminder to Vote in AAUW Election

In April, all AAUW members should have received a packet with details about voting, including a pin # for on-line voting. Paper ballots or electronic voting options were available for each member. Bylaw amendments, public policy revisions and election of AAUW Board members are on the ballot. Voting started on-line on May 1 and ends June 17 at 9 pm. Those attending convention can vote in person. The paper ballot deadline was May 31.

New Branch Officer Information

Branch presidents (or their designee) must submit information about new officers whose terms begin July 1, 2011 by that date. Changes can be made on the AAUW website by going to the Member Center, then Member Services Database (MSD). You must have your AAUW member ID# and password to access the MSD and make these changes. AAUW NC doesn't maintain a separate list of officers any more. We depend on the national database for our NC branch officer information so it is very important that the new officer information is entered through the MSD system.