

**Board Meeting Minutes** 

Conference Call: October 15, 2015, 4:00 PM

Present: Jean D'Addario, Sandra McLaurin, JoAnn Taylor Hall, Peg Holmes, Donna Wilson, Denny

McGuire, Karla Atkinson, Ellen Garbarino, Nancy Shoemaker

Absent: N/A

Meeting called to order about 4:01 with all nine members of the board present.

JoAnn and Sandra presented a proposed budget. It was noted that it was a deficit budget and that there was a plan to emphasize the availability of mini-grants. Karla moved that the budget be approved as submitted, Nancy seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

Donna and Jean presented what they'd learned about the logistics for the 2016 AAUW NC annual meeting. Two hotels in Chapel Hill have been contacted: the Sheraton in Chapel Hill and the Springhill Suites (Marriott) Durham/Chapel Hill. Two weekends April 1-2 and April 8-9 had been cleared as "available" by both hotels. The April 1-2 weekend was chosen to avoid schedule conflicts for the board members. The group agreed that the full service Sheraton which was also closer to Chapel Hill was preferable. Negotiations with them will proceed. Discussion of a theme and potential speakers will continue over email..

Instead of Fall regional meetings we are planning webinars open to all branch members. Jean, Sandra and Nancy will coordinate hosting those. Others with information to share are asked to send it to them to be incorporated in the master PowerPoint. Topics will include resources on <a href="www.aauwnc.org">www.aauw.org</a> and <a href="www.aauwnc.org">www.aauwnc.org</a>, including 2015 convention resources, programs in a box, resources for branch officers (e.g. finance toolkit) and the 2 minute activist.

Jean announced that the 2015 Juvenile Literature Award would be presented at a meeting in Raleigh on November 13. She is finding out if the winner will be available to attend and then will look for a volunteer to cover the ceremony for AAUW NC.

The board agreed to consider Melissa Johnsen's, AAUW Board liaison, questions and to respond by email.

Meeting adjourned about 5:05.

Submitted by Nancy Shoemaker.