

# AAUW METRO ST LOUIS IBC

## August 28, 2018, Meeting Bridgeton Trails Library Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Shirley Breeze at 7:05 pm.

Attendance: Ballwin-Chesterfield, Marcia Block, Jean Elliott, Sandra Murdock, Pat Shores; Ferguson-Florissant, Shirley Breeze, Pat Kelemen, Pam Meyers; Kirkwood-Webster Groves, Nancy Hutchens, Marcia Koch, Kay Meyer, Lynne Roney, Deb McWard; St. Charles, Grace Poertner, Karen Schneider; St. Louis, Ellen Irons, Carol Davis McDonald.

The minutes of the May 23, 2018, meeting were approved as presented. Lynne Roney moved and Kay Meyer seconded the motion for approval.

Carol Davis McDonald reviewed the financials, which included the financial report of August 22, 2018, the Spring Fling Summary, 2017-2018 Budget Recap, and the Proposed Budget for 2018-2019. In discussing the Spring Fling report, Carol pointed out that IBC challenged the final bill; an adjustment was made by Glen Echo giving IBC a credit of \$300. An adjustment was made to the proposed budget; \$25.00 was added to the Barbara Lackritz Award line item. Lynne Roney moved and Nancy Hutchins seconded that the revised budget be approved. Motion passed.

### Old Business

Other comments concerning Spring Fling were made. The purse fund raising activity was well received. One comment raised that there should be a limit on the amount of money on gift cards included in the purses; there was quite a variance in gift card amounts in the purses. The recognition of Karen Francis was a highlight.

Deb McWard reported on NCCWSL. Two women were sent. IBC paid travel, reservations, housing and some incidental costs. Donations were received from a number of members; a donation was also received from Creve Coeur after its disbandment.

Branches were assigned school districts to contact for the Title IX Delivery activity. A chart was provided indicating the branches assigned to each district. If branches need training, Karen Francis will provide it. An end date of June 2019 is anticipated.

The Gift Wrapping days for IBC were reviewed; they are December 17 through December 20. A suggestion was made to obtain an app for the phone for payment of tips since many people no longer carry cash.

Nancy Hutchins reported on the Barbara Lackritz Award and distributed packets with materials to each branch. She reviewed some of the deadlines and other matters

concerning the award. Readers serve for a two-year term.

Branches had a number of tabling events in the last few months. These were reviewed. Kirkwood-Webster Groves participated in Green Day. They are purchasing a canopy that will protect the members better for future events. Ferguson-Florissant has been tabling at the Ferguson Farmers Market all summer; they have also had fundraising activities including a field trip, movie days, etc. IBC bookmarks should be available at all these activities.

### New Business

A report on the investigation of venues was provided by St. Louis Branch. The two recommendations were the Highlands in Forest Park and Orlando Gardens Banquet Center in Maryland Heights. Nancy Hutchins moved and Lynne Roney seconded that the Highlands in Forest Park be chosen for the event. Motion passed. Next, there was a motion for the date. Lynne Roney moved and Marsha Koch seconded that March 23 be chosen as the date. Motion passed. It was emphasized that the Spring Fling is basically the only fundraiser for IBC. Nancy Hutchins moved and Marsha Koch seconded that the time be from 10:00 to 2:00 pm. The meal would be at 11:30. Grace Poertner moved and Nancy Hutchins seconded that the meal be a luncheon. In a previous IBC meeting, it was decided that there would be no formal program. However, it was suggested that giving the NCCWSL attendees time to discuss their experience would be great.

The Midwest Human Trafficking Conference was discussed. St. Charles will have a table at this event. AAUW members were asked to donate funds to provide for college students to attend. Money from IBC cannot be used because AAUW has a stipulation that funds cannot be given to another charity.

The Adelante Book Group will again meet this year. The first meeting will be September 27, 2018, at 1:30, at Barnes and Noble on Clarkson Road. Lynne Roney will be the reviewer.

Lynne Roney discussed IBC using a Google Group for communications among the members. She is willing to work with it. The consensus was that this would be a good communication device.

Kay Meyer discussed AAUW's involvement with the International Relations Series. AAUW has been a co-sponsor for over 80 years. IBC coordinates this activity with the Tuesday Women's Association of the Ethical Society. The Series occurs for four months-January 8, February 12, March 12, and April 9, 2019. Kay needs a volunteer from AAUW for one of the sessions. Each branch donates monetarily to support this activity.

The dates of forthcoming IBC meetings are as follows: November 27, 2018, February 26, 2019, May 28, 2019.

Various announcements of AAUW meetings and activities were made.

The next meeting will be November 27 at Daniel Boone County Library.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Reported by Pam Meyers

Transcribed by Shirley Breeze