

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN**  
**MINUTES**

**St. Louis Inter-Branch Council Meeting**  
**Bridgeton Trails 3455 McKelvy Road**  
**November 26, 2019, 7:00 pm**

The St. Louis Inter-branch Council Meeting was held at the Thornhill Branch Library at 12863 Willowyck Drive, Maryland Heights, MO on November 26, 2019.

Shirley Breeze called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

There were 17 members in attendance from the AAUW branches of St. Louis County and City.

**Financial Report:** Carol Davis presented the Finance and operating expense report as well as the budget for 2019-2020.

**Old Business:**

1. Received updates on the Gift Wrapping Fund Raising Event at Barnes and Noble for December 21, and 22.

2. Betty Takahashi stated that a donation was received from the League of Women Voters for the International Relations Lecture Series at the Ethical Society. The first speaker for this year was Denise Libermann and it was held January 13, 2020, at 10:45.

3. Betty Takahashi presented publication of Hurrah For Woman Suffrage 1948 - 1920 songbook/CD by Mirian Reed and The Homespun Singers. It is about Women Suffrage history through songs and suggest having it available to sell at the Spring Fling.

4. A discussion about changing the IBC meetings from nighttime to daytime because of the darkness arrives sooner in the winter months. The goal was set for the Tuesday, May 26, 2020 meeting.

Kirkwood will take over after June 1st. for sitting up IBC meetings.

5. The Spring Fling agenda was discuss and who and what the branches responsibilities will be for this event on March 28, 2020. It will be held at the *Greenbriar Country Club, in Kirkwood, MO*. It will start at: 10:00 - 2:00, and lunch will be held at 11:30.

The two meal decisions are :

Chicken Mushroom salad Rolls and Butter

Quiche Florentine salad Rolls and Butter

Coffee, tea, water included with all meals.

The Kirkwood Branch will purchase a cake for the Spring Fling and it was budgeted for \$100.00 for the expense of the dessert.

The speaker and presentations will be after lunch.

The *Registration* and *Meal* cost will be: \$38.00.

The Complimentary Meals: Betty will find out how many will be needed for the speaker and the awardees.

6. The Missouri AAUW State Meeting will be held Friday and Saturday at the Holiday In Express on May 1st. And 2nd. .

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. NCCWSL Report: Debra McWard stated there will be two women selected for the Leadership Conference in DC. Lynn Roney will take over the community mapping. Metro and local area.

2. Pat Shores reminded us about the Legislative Retreat on January 18, 2020. The objectives of the meeting will be the Fast Democracy Training and the 2020 Bills going on at Jefferson City. This is being sponsored by the Missouri Women's Network MWN. Pat stated that each branch dues are \$30.00 for membership and that individuals dues are \$20.00. Pat said that she collects the dues.

3. Karen Frances presented the updates about the AAUW Midwest Regional Meeting that will be held June 17-20th, at East Moline IL.

It will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel and the cost will be \$145.00 per night. This includes breakfast as well.

Hopefully 15 states will be attending this conference.

A suggested was made to have a room to sale items with the AAUW items, etc.

4. The Update on Lackritz Award ?

5. The Women of Distinction Award is an award that is given biennially to a woman who has promoted the mission and values of AAUW in her branch and community. It is due by April 1, 2020.

6. Karen Francis stated the League of Women Voters are arranging a bus tour of North City of St. Louis in the Spring. Another contact is with Erica Williams of the Red Circle.

7. Website Security: Patricia Bishop recommends this for member's emails, phone numbers, and national contacts in newsletters.

8. International Relations Lecture Series:

Patricia Bishop and Jeanne Webdell are the representatives. They stated a check of \$500.00 was received from the Tuesday Organization for the series. It was suggested to send out flyers electronically.

9. Public Policy Report: Karen Frances mentioned the following:

Medicaid Expansion

Equal Pay Advocate

Jobs for Justice

Webinar with Kim Churches on December 5, 2019, at 3:00 pm.

The following members who attended this meeting were:

Ferguson-Florissant

Pam Meyers

Shirley Breeze

Patricia Kelemen

Kirkwood/Webster Groves

Jeanne Webdell

Lynne Roney

St. Charles:

Betty Takahashi

Karen Schneider

Grace Poertner

St. Louis City

Ellen Irons

Jan Scott

Ballwin/Chesterfield

Karen Francis

Pat Shores

Jean Elliott

Marcia Block

Carol Davis McDonald

Patricia Bishops

Kay Meyer

