

AAUW METRO ST. LOUIS INTERBRANCH COUNCIL

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August 22, 2023, via Zoom at 7:00 pm

ATTENDANCE and ROSTER – Each branch has 3 votes. Total Attendees: 21

✓	In Name Order	Branch
✓	Betty Takahashi	STC
✓	Carol Davis McDonald	STL
✓	Ellen Irons	STL
✓	Grace Poertner	STC
	Jan Horner	BC
✓	Jan Scott	STL
	Janet Sloey	BC
✓	Jeanne Webdell	KWG
✓	Joyce Bluett	FF
✓	Joyce Katz	BC
	Kathleen Brown	BC
	Kay Meyer	KWG
✓	Lynne Roney	KWG
	Marsha Koch	KWG
✓	Mary Jermak	BC
	Pamela Meyers	FF
✓	Pat Shores	BC
✓	Patty Murray	FF
✓	Rose Ann Weeks	STC
	Sage Taber	BC
✓	Sandy Brody	BC
✓	Shirley Breeze	FF
✓	Teri Brecht	STC
✓	Christine Nobbe	
✓	Eve Cohen, Guest	
✓	Karen Haynes, FF	

Name	In Branch Order	✓	Branch Names
Jan Horner	BC		Ballwin-Chesterfield
Janet Sloey	BC		
Joyce Katz	BC	✓	
Kathleen Brown	BC		
Mary Jermak	BC	✓	
Pat Shores	BC	✓	
Sage Taber	BC		
Sandy Brody	BC	✓	
Joyce Bluett	FF	✓	Ferguson-Florissant
Pamela Meyers	FF		
Patty Murray	FF	✓	
Shirley Breeze	FF	✓	
Jeanne Webdell	KWG	✓	Kirkwood-Webster Groves
Kay Meyer	KWG		
Lynne Roney	KWG	✓	
Marsha Koch	KWG		
Betty Takahashi	STC	✓	St. Charles
Grace Poertner	STC	✓	
Rose Ann Weeks	STC	✓	
Teri Brecht	STC	✓	
Carol Davis McDonald	STL	✓	St. Louis
Ellen Irons	STL	✓	
Jan Scott	STL	✓	
Christine Nobbe		✓	
Eve Cohen, Guest		✓	
Karen Haynes, FF		✓	

Officers and Ad-Hoc Committee Chairs (unable to attend): Betty Takahashi, **IBC Co-Chair**; Teri Brecht, **IBC Co-Chair**; Carol Davis-McDonald, **IBC Finance Chair**;-Patty Murray, **IBC Secretary**

Betty Takahashi, ¡Adelante!; Pat Shores, Barbara Lackritz; Sandy Brody, Barbara Lackritz; Nancy Hutchins, Facebook Page; Mary Jermak, *Missouri in Motion*; ~~Deb McWard, NCCWSL~~; Karen Francis, Public Policy; Joyce Katz, Web Manager; Lynne Roney, Web Manager (NCCWSL = **National Conference for College Women Student Leaders**)

Call to Order. Teri Brecht called this regular quarterly meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Patty Murray was Zoom host. In addition to stating our names and branches, we each named a woman most influential to us in our lives.

Additions to the agenda will be a presentation from IBC NCCWSL Scholarship Recipient Eve Cohen, the College/University Task Force, and the Central States Regional Conference.

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Eve Cohen. A Webster University student, Eve said the Conference was great and empowering, especially with meeting women who are in positions of authority. Swati Sharma, the editor-in-chief of Vox, and Maryland State Senator Susan Clair Lee were there. Pat Shores, who said Eve's application was very impressive, asked Eve to talk about her background. Eve is a double major in psychology and anthropology, which includes some sociology; she is also taking legal studies and doing Honors work. Eve is a returning university student, so she has some life experience. High school didn't offer her a lot of guidance. Eve says women need AAUW. The speakers at the conference spoke about domestic violence and media management. Eve saw future leaders among the students: women who will be prominent one day. Her person of influence was her mom, who gave her a passion for education and studying languages. Eve believes women should put their passion toward a career. She is starting a social justice club on her campus. As for the NCCWSL location, Eve thought it was great.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the May 23rd meeting had been distributed prior to the meeting. Jan Scott moved, and Ellen Irons seconded, that the minutes be approved. **CARRIED**.

Finance

Carol Davis McDonald reported no income and no expenses since the previous meeting. Patty Murray moved; Rose Ann Weeks seconded. **CARRIED**. The report will be filed for audit. Carol also provided the 2023-2024 Budget Proposal. Copies are attached.

Branch Reports

Ballwin Chesterfield Branch: Sandy Brody. Board meeting in September. Their kick-off will not be a full lunch this year. Their two NCCWSL recipients will attend. They are continuing their Dollars for Scholars program. They have 10 interest groups that will be reporting at the meeting.

Ferguson Florissant Branch: Patty Murray. Booth at the Florissant Fall Festival in October with an emphasis on Pay Equity with hand-outs and display boards.

Kirkwood Webster Groves Branch: Lynne Roney. On September 21, State Representative Barbara Phifer will present on ballot issues. A DEI presentation will be held at Kirkwood United Methodist Church.

St. Charles Branch: Teri Brecht. Their board program planning meeting is tomorrow. Their 90th anniversary is in October.

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St. Louis Branch: Ellen Irons. First fall meeting is on Equal Pay Day at Pietro's restaurant. Their work this year will include ERA updates, the Votes for Women Trail, and looking more to the arts. Ruth Reese's sculpture exhibit opens in September at the Contemporary Art Museum. Their branch will celebrate its 130th anniversary.

OLD BUSINESS

Roster. For any changes, please contact Teri or Patty.

NCCWSL. Deb McWard could not attend this evening and is willing to part with the chairperson position.

International Relations Lecture Series (IRLS). Kay could not attend the planning meeting. Patty Murray provided the five topics that have been selected, one of them being a backup. We are asked to send in our money to support the program; where to send our payments is being finalized. Teri suggested branches have a budget line item to support IRLS.

NEW BUSINESS

jAdelante! Book Club. Betty asked us to please send in book suggestions for this year's reading list. The September date was corrected. The next jAdelante! meeting is September 28, 2023, at 1:30 pm with discussion leader Lynne Roney. ***This Tender Land: A Novel*** by William Kent Krueger. Zoom information will always be the same.

Meeting ID: **853 3895 9790** Passcode: **614379**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85338959790?pwd=NFNKS01FMXh6bXpiaXh0ci80VC9rUT09>

Annual Event. Ellen Irons asked for three motions for the event price (\$40), venue (Catering to You – "CTY") and date (March 23, 2024). The event budget was reviewed. Carol asked if a tip had been figured in. Ellen replied that since there is a 22% service fee, CTY said most groups do not add a gratuity. Jan Scott moved to approve all three requests. Sandy Brody seconded. **CARRIED.** Bev Shuetz has been invited to present the program, she has accepted and will present for one hour. A concern came up that the program should only be 30 minutes with 10 minutes for Q&A. This is a new presentation for Bev and it wasn't certain her presentation could be shortened. The Save the Date flyer was selected from a few options; it was decided that the speaker information should not be included at this time until the program length is confirmed. Branch rotation for the annual event is as follows:

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Year	Program	Arrangements	Reg/Eval	Publicity	Fundraising
2024	K-WG	STL	B-C	F-F	STC

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Barbara Lackritz Award. Pat Shores reviewed the process section of the guidelines so that branches will follow the procedures correctly and timely. This is very important. Mary Jermak asked if there is a guideline about branches forming committees to select its Barbara Lackritz awardee. Pat said there is no requirement from IBC for a branch committee. Pat asked that we keep our awardee statements for the program insert sheet brief. We are strongly urged to submit our awardees' names and statements by early November.

IBC College/University Renewal Task Force. Ellen Irons reported that the task force is working to get the C/U partners back. The C/U task force will help with acquiring NCCWSL student names for submitting applications. Now that we have five partner schools, the NCCWSL application process can be started early. National is showing more interest in C/U and new interest in Start Smart. The C/U task force meets on the first Monday of each month.

AAUW Central Regional Conference. Karen Francis provided many updates. A Regional Conference team member is reporting back to National on how we are doing this. There is hope that other states will attempt it. Arizona, New York, and Virginia are coming to our conference. Missouri branches can apply for a \$400 reimbursement for the conference registration. Gloria Blackwell will be there on Friday. If we are not staying at the hotel, we must park down the street. Keep in mind that hotel security cannot leave the hotel premises. Christine Nobbe asked if a parking lot attendant or security officer could be paid to walk people to the parking lot. Karen replied that the committee would look at that, but it is preferred that everyone stay at the hotel. Jeanne Webdell suggested shuttling people to and from the conference. Christine asked how many people and how many room reservations are expected. Wednesday – 10 rooms, Thursday and Friday (number missing, but as of 9/21/23, 209 room nights in total had been reserved), and on Saturday 1 room. Grace Poertner brought up MetroLink. Pat Shores will be sending detailed instructions and Metro Link will be on them. There will be no pre-conference program. All activities begin at 1 pm on Thursday. Nancy Hutchins asked if any sessions are being recorded. None are, although some presenters may be bringing in recordings. Arrival instructions and recommendations are as follows: Do not arrive at the last minute. Allow plenty of time to get checked in. We must check in to get our keys so we can park in the hotel garage, and no one wants a line of cars all at once at the hotel entrance. The front desk will have luggage storage on Saturday after check-out time or if needed at check-in.

Announcements. Please put the following dates on your calendars.

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- ¡Adelante! Book Club September 28, 2023, at 1:30 pm by Zoom
- AAUW Central States/Regional Conference October 19-21, 2023
- Annual Event March 23, 2024
- Next IBC Meeting by Zoom, November 28, 2023, 7:00 pm. Zoom info will always be the same.

Topic: AAUW METRO ST. LOUIS IBC ZOOM

Time: Nov 28, 2023 06:45 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86084537851?pwd=a0g4VXVHMENkU05laGVMNTNiUmN2Zz09>

Meeting ID: **860 8453 7851** Passcode: **792239**

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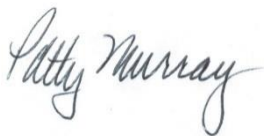
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Jan Scott moved to adjourn the meeting; Patty Murray seconded. **CARRIED.** Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.



Patty Murray