

**American Association of University Women
Fairbanks Branch
Board meeting
January 26, 2016 6 pm
At the home of Jodi Gouwens**

Members present: (3) Gael Murakami, Ritchie Musick, and Rita Osborne

Members absent: Vera Alexander, Carla Willetto, Pat Babcock, Gretchen Murphy

President Ritchie Musick called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

Approval of Agenda: Gael moved to approve the agenda, Rita seconded, approved.

Minutes: Rita emailed the December 29, 2015 board meeting minutes to the board members on January 3, 2016. Ritchie emailed a correction for the minutes, page 2, Programs, last sentence: "...and it took several trips from their car for Ritchie and Mike to get all the gifts to the shelter." Gael moved the December board meeting minutes be approved with corrections, Ritchie seconded, approved. Rita has completed minutes of the November membership meeting and since no actions taken approval is not needed and should be emailed to board members for reference.

Financial Summary: No financial report at this time.

Committee reports:

Membership: Gael reported there are two renewals pending and there are four new members: Firmin Murakami, Shirley Liss, Ana Fochesatto, and Leslie McCartney for a total of 52 members. Note some of the previous counted members did not renew/join so the 52 current members number is accurate.

Scholarship: Kris Capps with the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner mentioned the AAUW scholarships in her January 25, 2016 column. Margret Van Flein has made posters of the flyer and distributed these.

Social Media: The scholarship announcement is on our Facebook pages. The minutes will be posted on the *Facebook AAUW Fairbanks Branch Group* page, which is for members only.

Nominations: Aldean Kilbourn is currently working on nominations.

House Tour: The committee will begin meeting in March.

Bylaws update: Gretchen has met with her committee and changes include electronic copies of minutes available as well as a hardcopy and a provision for

electronic voting for special meetings. Dues for our UAF partner were discussed and should include that we "may" waiver dues.

Newsletter: Items for the February branch newsletter need to be submitted to Ritchie promptly since she is going out of town. There was a discussion about possibly using MailChimp for future newsletter issue distribution.

Programs: Gael gave a recap of the January informal luncheon at the Cookie Jar Restaurant. There were 15 attending including several new members. Future programs are:

February 20, 11 am (Saturday)

Speakers from the League of Women Voters on Voting Registration
Noel Wien Library Conference Room

March 21, 6 pm (Monday)

Annual Meeting & Potluck
Possible speaker for 15-20 minutes
Home of Aldean Kilbourn

April 16, 11 am (Saturday)

Annual Scholarship Luncheon
Location to be arranged

May 16, 7 pm (Monday)

To be arranged. Possibly touring Stone Soup facilities.

Old Business-none at this time.

New Business-none at this time.

Date/location next board meeting: Next board meeting scheduled Tuesday February 23, 2016 6 pm at the home of Jodi Gouwens.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. Gael moved to adjourn.

Submitted by

Rita Osborne
Secretary