

Kicking It Up a Notch: Branch Representation

AAUW NC revised its by-laws at Convention 2005. A new provision allows branch presidents who have meeting date conflicts to ask another person to stand in for her. The representative can be from another branch. Jo Gilbert of Sandhills/Southern Pines stood in for Phyllis Guberman at the summer board meeting. Here are Phyllis' comments:

I really appreciated Jo's willingness to represent the Wilmington branch at the summer board meeting. I had already made vacation plans, and no one else in our branch was able to attend. Jo sent me an informative e-mail describing the business discussed, and also sent a packet of materials, including the meeting agenda, distributed at the meeting.

This helped me feel more "in the loop," especially since I have not attended NC board

meetings since spring 2003, when I was branch co-president with Lill Van Order. I expect to attend the fall board meeting, and will feel more prepared with Jo's help.

I hope this option will be available at future state board meetings.

Phyllis Guberman
President, Wilmington Branch

AAUW Member Speaks About EF

Esther Lumsdon (Raleigh/Wake Co.) spoke on September 7 at the Graduate Funding Workshop at Duke University about Educational Foundation Funds. Trish McMillan, who is organizing the event, extended the invitation as a result of Esther efforts last year. She said, "I enjoyed the talk you gave last year and received excellent feed back from the graduate students."

AAUW NC 2004-2005 Final Report

Millie Hoffer-Foushee, Treasurer • April 2005

	2004-2005 BUDGET	FINAL 6/30/05	DIFF
INCOME ACCOUNTS			
Dues	\$ 12,430.00	\$ 10,905.76	\$ 1,524.24
Interest Income	10.00	-	10.00
History Book Sales	100.00	15.00	85.00
Fund Raisers	1,500.00	2,661.00	(1,161.00)
NC State Pens			
Special Projects (50-50 SAR)			
Miscellaneous	335.00	1,434.60	(1,099.60)
(2003 Convention Profit)		606.77	
(Other)		827.83	**
Total Income	\$ 14,375.00	\$ 15,016.36	\$ (641.36)
EXPENSE ACCOUNTS			
Administrative Expenses	\$ 8,775.00	\$ 8,471.32	\$ 303.68
President	1,500.00	1,458.59	41.41
Program VP	800.00	1,131.09	(331.09)
Membership VP	100.00	31.24	68.76
Recording Secretary	25.00	41.60	(16.60)
Treasurer	50.00	27.46	22.54
Finance Com. Chair	25.00		25.00
Education Foundation	50.00	44.44	5.56
Legal Advocacy	50.00	36.14	13.86
College/University Rep	25.00		25.00
Diversity	25.00		25.00
Public Policy - Fed	50.00	14.01	35.99
Public Policy - State	50.00		50.00
Technology	100.00	94.95	5.05
Publications	5,700.00	5,548.04	151.96
Cluster Coordinator	50.00		50.00
EF Fellows Liaison	50.00		50.00
International Relations	25.00	25.00	-
Other Committee Chairs	100.00	18.76	81.24
Subtotal	8,775.00	8,471.32	
Travel	1,200.00	1,049.32	150.68
Initiative for Education Equity Coalition	50.00		
	350.00	210.00	140.00
Juvenile Literature	50.00	50.59	(0.59)
State Convention/Meetings	2,650.00	1,308.37	1,341.63
Assn Convention/SAR	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
Contingency/Miscellaneous	300.00	552.57	(252.57)
SAR Assessment			
Bank Charges		12.62	
Other		45.95	
Total Expense	\$ 14,375.00	\$ 12,642.17	\$ 1,732.83
Checking Account balance	\$ 7,259.14	\$ 12,186.32	
13 month CD	11,742.63	11,871.08	
7 Day CD	1,066.37	1,072.59	
Total Assets	20,068.14	25,129.99	

**(\$500/Charlotte & \$239.83/Asheville)

Women Work More, Earn Less

The two-page paper on AAUW's new theme is available at <http://www.aauw.org/newvision/theme0605.pdf>

As has become abundantly clear from recent research, including AAUW's Women at Work (2003) and the web-based Gains in Learning, Gaps in Earning (2005), women today are working more than ever yet remain crowded in undervalued, lower-paying occupations with fewer benefits for themselves and the children and elderly for whom they often care. Ensuring equity for women and girls - from pre-K through retirement and at all points in between - has become our greatest challenge.

The referring page is http://www.aauw.org/convention/Conv2005/ConventionDaily/convdaily05_main.cfm

EF Correction-Asheville Gave More

The amount published in the summer Tar Heel News for Asheville Branch's contribution to the Educational Foundation was incorrect. They donated \$4,963.19 2004. This makes then second in the state. Beverly Briedis, Asheville Educational Foundation chair has a verification letter from national showing this amount. The published figures did not include a \$2,500 donation from Shirley Quisenberry that was sent directly to national.

Clusters: Past and Future

The cluster system in North Carolina has grouped branches that are "close" to one another and encouraged those branches to have at least one joint event each year. For some clusters that's been working fine, and they have hosted some remarkable programs where members from different branches get a chance to exchange ideas with one another. For other clusters, attendance has dropped dramatically in recent years, and some are questioning whether the cluster system is worth preserving.

At the summer board meeting, Lois McCarthy of Sandhills/Southern Pines put this issue before the board, and it was agreed to schedule an in-depth discussion at the Fall board meeting.

No changes have been made yet. If you're planning a cluster meeting this year, do go forward. If you've other suggestions for how the branches in the clusters can support each other and help advance the mission, please do forward them for the board's consideration in October.

Summer Board Meeting on Web

Nancy Shoemaker has updated the web page for the summer board meeting with a "what happened" section. Anyone who was there, can tell you "lots"! So please, if you missed it, do go to <http://www.rtpnet.org/aauwnc/00Events/Minutes/2005SummerBoard.htm> and check out, at least, the minutes. [Thanks, Karla and the reading committee.]



The AAUW NC 100 Club was started in the summer of 2004 to honor those who contribute at least \$100 to AAUW NC or 100 hours to AAUW at any level. Members for 2004 received certificates at the convention in Asheville and honorees were singled out for special mention. Branches, as well as individuals, may join, particularly if they want to make a gift in honor or in memory of someone.

The "club" has two major purposes. One is, of course, to close the gap between dues income

and the projected expenses for the organization. With the gifts of many generous members during the first year of the program, AAUW NC finances are now in good shape and we can, indeed, consider grants back to the branches or other projects that depend on our financial stability. The other purpose, though, is just as important: to honor those individuals who devote so many hours to sustaining the Association, particularly at the local level. Please do consider a gift to AAUW NC if that is within your means - and start making notes on what you've done for AAUW so far this year, so you can fill out the "100 hours" form before the 2006 Convention. The forms can be downloaded at <http://rtpnet.org/aauwnc/00Documents/100Club/index.htm>

AAUW NC 100 Club 2005 Donation Form

Name _____

Branch _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

A contribution in the amount of _____ is being made (minimum amount is \$100):

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Please include contact information for honor or memory donations, so an acknowledgement can be sent:

Name _____

Branch _____

Address _____

Email _____