

AAUW-NM Spring Convention Business Meeting I

Spring Convention _____ April 16, 2011 _____ Silver City, NM (Grant County Branch)

1. 3:40 pm Call to Order

Credentials Report—Adrienne Dare

1. 23 branch delegates present
2. 11 state delegates present
3. 2 Association Guests
4. 8 branches represented

- 2. Adoption of Convention Rules:** The convention rules were provided to all registrants in their convention handbooks. These rules have been recently revised by Mary Sandford and Virginia Spruiell, parliamentarian. Mary discussed the changes that have been made to former Convention Rules. **Pam Daves moved that we adopt the convention rules as presented.** Sylvia Fink seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the **motion passed.**

- 3.** Nina Thayer and her committee (Shila Marek and Mimi Salinger) presented the following slate of officers for 2011-2013. They will be installed at the banquet this evening.

Program Co-Chairs: **Karen Nelson, Carlsbad, and Sheila Portillo, soon-to-be Albuquerque.**

Karen has served 5 years as Secretary for the AAUW-NM Leadership Team and is anxious to switch hats. She is also finishing a term as Co-President of the Carlsbad Branch and is looking forward to working with a long-time friend, Sheila Portillo. Sheila was active in the Carlsbad Branch in the 1980s, then moved with her National-Park-Service husband. Sheila currently lives in Nevada and will be moving to Albuquerque in July.

Finance Chair: **Ruth Benjamins, Las Cruces.**

Ruth is completing her first term as state Finance Chair and has offered to continue. She is a past president of the Las Cruces Branch and also served as state Co-Academic Chair. Ruth has been an accurate, thorough and conscientious Finance Chair.

Public Policy Chair: **Dixie Trebbe, West Mesa and Albuquerque Branches.**

Dixie has been our Public Policy Chair for two terms and has spent countless days in Santa Fe representing AAUW at the Legislature. She is a knowledgeable lobbyist and has significantly increased our visibility in Santa Fe.

Remaining term of Secretary: **Joy Poole, Santa Fe.**

Joy has graciously agreed to fill the second year of Karen Nelson's term as Secretary. Joy is a long-time member who moved from Farmington to Santa Fe several years ago.

AAUW Funds: **Mary Tyler Browne, Albuquerque. West Mesa.** Mary recently joined the West Mesa Branch and is a former State President of AAUW-Nebraska, as well as a former Mid-West Regional Director.

Deanise Marta moved that we accept the slate of officers offered by the Nominations Committee. Carol Ann Council seconded the motion. There being no nominations from the floor, the vote was taken, and the **officers were elected for the 2011-2013 term.**

4. Announcements:

- Business Session II will convene Sunday morning at 8:00am.
- Members should pay for and collect items from silent auction fundraiser.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Nelson, Recording Secretary