

AAUW Online Branch Board Discussion/Action

October-December 2007

On October 3, 2007 at 9:32 AM President Anne Henke contacted the board seeking approval to appoint a Program Development Committee of: Faye Dykstra, Sandy Kirkpatrick, Kathleen Cha, and Janet Watkins to work with Program Vice President Mary Rack. Throughout the day board members responded. A majority of the board approved the committee appointments. Anne closed discussion at 11:21 PM.

On October 10, the board began informal discussion of the use of blogs on the branch website. Mary Rack set up three blogs for the branch. The EF blog will be managed by Jeanne Lese, the LAF blog by Jo Turner, and the Public Policy blog will be managed by Caroline Wood. The board then began to test the use of the blogs. As this discussion was going on, AAUW was establishing a presence on Facebook and many board members established profiles. On Nov. 16, Harriet Tower volunteered to engage the branch in discussion of blogs and various methods of communication.

On November 5, Jo Turner opened discussion of designation of EF and LAF funds. Branch donations and report are due December 1. On November 7, Anne Henke convened the board for discussion of this issue. On November 8, at 2:49 PM, Harriet Tower moved “**that CA Online branch designate its LAF donations to the Gloria Weston and its EF donations to the Marie Wolbach Fellowship**”. The motion was seconded. On Nov. 11, President Henke closed discussion. On Nov. 12, President Henke called for a vote on the motion. On November 17, parliamentarian Sandy Kirkpatrick reported that the motion was approved.

As the meeting began on Nov. 5, President Henke added a second item to the agenda: recommendation for a State Named Gift Honoree. Board members were advised to send their recommendations to Jeanne Lese by November 15.

On November 12, President Henke announced that discussion of branch bylaws and policies and procedures would be added to the agenda. On November 17, Sandy Kirkpatrick reported that Jean Simutis had volunteered to work with her on the revision project. They will report recommendations to the board in mid-January.

Following a three week break in discussion, on Dec. 7, after about a three-hour online discussion among some board members about blog difficulties, Mary Rack announced that the blogs would be modified so that logging in would no longer be needed.

Board discussion ended.

Sandy Hansen

Secretary, AAUW-CA Online Branch