



**American Association of University Women  
Lake/Sumter Branch**

**2021-22 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Minutes of the Budget Meeting of August 25, 2021**

On August 25, 2021, a meeting was held to discuss the proposed budget for the branch for the upcoming year.

Present were Char Griffin, Peg Tabor, Diane Jacobson, Linda Carpenter, Jacquie Latzer, AnnMarie Lombardi, Gay Birchard, Joan Schmidt, Karen Pickelshimer, Katie Havilland, and Judy Bonn.

Before the budget discussion began, some other important topics were discussed as follows:

Upcoming Board meetings will be held on Zoom throughout the end of the year because of the enclosed space at the Sheriff's annex, and the length of time the group takes to meet. Co-President Gay Birchard will notify the Sheriff's office of cancellation of the meeting room immediately.

Ann Marie Lombardi would like to see shorter, more consolidated board meetings in future.

Peg Tabor said that if all board members would read the reports on Dropbox it wouldn't take the board so long to discuss them. After some discussion, Co-President Gay Birchard said she would remind board members to look at Dropbox when the requests for agenda items are sent out.

It was learned that Char Griffin is not yet on the list for access to Dropbox. Her name will be added ASAP.

Co-President Birchard is not comfortable putting so many of us in one room at Allamanda Recreation Center for general meetings.

Diane Jacobson recommended meeting on Zoom in September and perhaps October. She would like to put the savings from cancelling the rec center for those meetings to develop mailers to go out to all members to help us to connect more closely to each other.

Motion made by Char Griffin that all board meetings be held on Zoom from September through November. The motion was seconded by Peg Tabor. It passed unanimously. Ann Marie will cancel Allamanda for those 3 months.

Concerning the budget: (please see enclosed proposed budget as topics are addressed) Char Griffin indicated we will have close to \$40,000.00 in our treasury this year as of August 25, 2021.

VENUE/FACILITY: Since meetings through the end of the year will be held virtually, we only need to budget for 4 meetings instead of the 7 in the original budget. The budgeted amount dropped from \$1358.00 to \$776.00.

PROGRAMS: Likewise, the Programs expense was reduced to \$400.00 to reflect 4, rather than 7 in-person meetings.

MEMBERSHIP & PROMOTIONS: Since membership in our branch is currently dropping, it was suggested that the expense items Promotions (originally budgeted at \$500.00) and Membership (also budgeted at \$500.00) be combined into a single Membership expense with an additional \$1000.00 added to promote our branch and thereby increase membership. The Membership is now budgeted at \$2000.00. Since the amount budgeted for the venue for general meetings is going to be lower due to the decision to run meetings virtually at least through the end of the year, it was felt the additional \$1000.00 was justified.

TECH TREK: The original budget showed the \$3300.00 for 3 students to attend Tech Trek coming out of the General Fund with the \$1975.00 from the Women United grant left in reserve for future use. We decided to spend this grant money in 2021-2022 so only \$1325.00 needs to come out of the General Fund and the Women United grant money is now spent. We discussed increasing the number of students sponsored from 3 to 5 but decided to leave the original number in the budget with the understanding that we can increase the number of campers in the spring if the money is available.

REVENUE: BRANCH DUES: To reflect an anticipated decrease in membership because of holding virtual meetings, we will change the number of anticipated members from 120 to 100, thereby reducing anticipated revenue from \$2280.00 to \$1900.00.

SCHOLARSHIPS: We have established the Carolyn Johnson Memorial Scholarship from her bequest of \$10,000.00 with one student granted this scholarship in 2021-22. Therefore, \$2000.00 was transferred into the General Fund this year; with another \$2000.00 liability noted to pay for this woman's scholarship in 2022-23, leaving \$6000.00 available for additional C. Johnson Scholarships.

Another \$8000.00 was budgeted to cover the scholarship of one student in her second year, and 3 students in their first year. A \$6000.00 liability was noted to cover the scholarship of these 3 women in 2022-23.

TECHNOLOGY: We will renew 3 Zoom licenses under our Technology expenses.

DIVERSITY: Unfortunately, our Diversity Committee must take a hiatus this year due to personal and family issues. Therefore, we eliminated that line item.

HOSPITALITY/SUNSHINE: The original budget had \$250.00 for an expense item labeled Hospitality/Sunshine. Since these two committees have two different chairs, the expenses were separated into a Hospitality expense of \$150.00, and a Sunshine expense of \$100.00.

We congratulated our Co-Finance Officers on a budgeting job well done. Char Griffin move that the meeting be adjourned. Linda Carpenter seconded the motion. All concurred. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 P.M.

Minutes reviewed by Char Griffin and respectfully submitted by Judy Bonn

**AAUW General Meeting**  
**September 18, 2021 via Zoom**  
**Social time 9:30 Meeting at 10:00**

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Gay Birchard who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

She reminded everyone that the next two meetings will be on Zoom rather than in person.

Slides were shown to recognize past board members, including our slides shown at the State Convention last year. Slides were shown to recognize our new board members. Gay thanked past and present women for their leadership. She stressed the need for new board members and encouraged members to volunteer for many vacant positions.

**Old Business:**

Minutes of the May meeting. Carolee Litwinka made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Peg Tabor. The motion passed.

**New Business:**

Co-Presidents Elect Linda Carpenter and Peg Tabor.

Linda said they have two initiatives this year, strategic planning and leadership. She also said that another Co-President Elect is needed as Peg Tabor is moving to Tennessee.

**Finance Report**

Char Griffin said we have a balance of \$32,900.00 in our account, including future reserves for tuition payments.

**Membership**

Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt. We have 115 members including 6 life members. A slide was shown of our branch website ([lakesumter-fl.aauw.net](http://lakesumter-fl.aauw.net)) to access our membership directory.

New member, Maureen Brown, was introduced. Karen is also in charge of Thursday bridge and anyone who want to play should contact her.

**Public Policy**

Judy Bonn's full report is in the drop box. Judy is hoping to go in person to the spring lobby days and to the convention in Tallahassee. Liz Schweers suggested working at the polls and Judy said that is in the planning stage.

**Tech Team Support**

Carolee Litwinka and Peg Tabor. Angela Vickers was welcomed as a new team member. Since Peg is moving Carolee is asking more members to volunteer for training.

### Program

Diane Jacobson and Ann Marie Lombardi. Membership kits including our booklet, a bookmark and a form for our chance drawing for the jewelry have been delivered by our board to all members. Our website includes our newsletter. Our October meeting will include the 4 scholarship winners and a speaker from the Youth Ranch. Hopefully we can meet in person for lunch in December.

### Diversity and Inclusion

Linda Carpenter and Jacquie Latzer. There will be an article in our newsletter about how to see 10 sessions on Youtube. National is putting on a webinar on inclusion September 23 at 4 PM.

### Newsletter

Beth Hicks said the next deadline is October 20. Members of the board who serve on the scholarship committee will be highlighted. This is part of the series "Meet the Board" introducing our leadership to our membership to encourage more participation.

### Scholarship

Kathy Mason. Scholarship recipients will speak at our October meeting. A return envelope is included in your membership kit along with a form for your donation to the jewelry chance drawing. The winner will be announced at our meeting February 19, 2022.

### Book Club

Kate Manion. The next meeting will be on zoom October 20. Contact Kate if you want to join. The book is "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig. A complete list of our 2021-22 reading list in the newsletter.

### Great Decisions

Diane Jacobson. Plans are being made for an in person meeting in January.

### Singles

Liz Schweers and Dorothy Dobbs. Activities are planned for the coming year and all singles are encouraged to attend.

### Gay Birchard

Mark your calendars: The state convention is in Orlando April 1,2,3, 2022 , at \$89.00 per night at a resort. The next board meeting will be October 5 to discuss our by-laws. A copy is in the Dropbox. Please be prepared for discussion.

At 11:40 Gay asked for adjournment. A motion was made by Peg Tabor and seconded by Diane Jacobson. All voted to adjourn.

Respectively submitted,  
Linda Ferens  
secretary pro-tem

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 5, 2021, 10:00 AM on Zoom**

Voting members present: Co- Presidents: Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland. Co- President Elect: Linda Carpenter. Co-Directors for Programs: Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson. Co- Directors for Membership: Karen Pickelsimer. Co-Directors for Finance: Charlene Griffin. Director for Public Policy: Judy Bonn. Director for Fundraising Diane Jacobson.

Non-voting members present: Diane Reichert, Liz Schweers, Kathy Mason

**WELCOME**

**President's Report**

Welcome to Anne Sobocinski Co-President elect and Maureen Brown Co-Finance to board membership

Announced the passing of Connie Konatsotis on September 12, 2021. Chair of Scholarship committee for some time. A life dedicated to STEAM in her work and in her contributions to society. A \$50 donation will be made to National in her name.

**OLD Business**

The board accepted the minutes of the September meeting.

**NEW Business**

1. Income/Expense statement-

Char Griffin - the full financial report is in the Drop Box. Reported \$30,540.20 checking, general fund \$17,675.20, reserve fund \$12,865. Expenses \$10,000 tuition, 3 licenses Zoom \$449.70, expenses membership packets 387.70

New membership form in Drop Box and on Branch web site.

Conflict of Interest form will be e mailed for signatures. These are forms from the State

2. Program-

Ann Marie Lombardi - October 16, 2021 General meeting 9:15 to 12:00 noon on ZOOM

Diane Jacobson – planning for November and December. December meeting tentative Continental Country Club luncheon. Choice of 4 entrée, salad, dessert and beverage. \$35.00 must be pre paid.

November will be on ZOOM , speaker is off site

Recreation Department has new contracts, these should be sent directly to Char Griffin for payment.

### 3. By Laws proposal

Diane Reichert -thanked all who helped with this project. Changes are not yet approved by STATE. They will review one more time. Discussion followed concerning –

#### Article II Purpose Section 2

including the word philanthropy. It was believed that this word was dropped some time ago and should be checked

#### Article VI Parliamentary Authority

Is Robert's Rules of Order, not a person

#### Article XVII Committees

“Standing committees shall be”...these committees can be formed as needed

Where are copies of the minutes? Diane Reichert believes Ann Wilkins has old minutes, this needs to be clarified

#### Article X Officers Section 6

“No member shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.” Perhaps this needs more flexibility

Suggested a “Definition of Terms” be added to the document

Katie Haviland made a motion to accept the By Laws as presented with the following actions taken – 1. Review term limits 2. Review standing committees 3. Research philanthropy 4. Research order of succession for president. Linda Carpenter seconded the motion. It was approved

### 4. Scholarship –

Kathy Mason 22 women submitted forms. \$1220 was collected from raffle. Diane Jacobson, Susan Gold, Marge McQueston and Gretchen Lewis committee working with the women. Recipients will be introduced at the October meeting.

### 5. Membership –

Karen Pickelsimer We have 110 members and 5 student members. A Brainstorming workshop had the following suggestions for membership – national web site perks, social activities and outings, singles groups, fund raisers, merge branches for meetings, share events with other branches, college liaisons and student branches, marketing, AAUW newspaper articles, social media, complimentary membership with scholarship winners. Two ZOOM meetings are planned for October 26 and 27 at 6:00pm if you want to join please contact Karen.

### 6. Fund Raising –

Diane Jacobson The Jewelry drawing has been well received.

Adopt a precinct for Sumter County registered voters. We need 15 volunteers (they do not need to be AAUW members) they must be registered to vote in Sumter County, to commit to working – one training day, one set up day and two voting days from 5:45 am to 8:00pm one day in August and one day in November. On voting day you must stay in the Seabreeze Rec center for the entire time and assist with duties. This event would raise \$2200 per voting day for Tech Trek a total of \$4400. There would be two official voting officers in the room at all times.

Gift Card fund raising – Individuals buy gift cards through Scripts with over 500 vendors a percentage of each sale comes back to our AAUW branch. Cards cost the same as buying from any store. Our families and friends can also buy this way to help us raise money.

Ways to improve our marketing – discussion

Make better use of web site, must change often, have a video every month on the web site, use facebook and other social media, one half of our members do not use ZOOM – how do we reach out, hire an intern to manage the social media. Linda Carpenter shared “If they do not know you are there and what you are doing you will not have power.” Gay Birchard suggested an ad hoc committee to explore these ideas.

### **Closing** announcements

AAUW General Meeting – October 16, Social gathering 9:30 am. Meeting starts at 10:00 via ZOOM

Newsletter articles Deadline October 20. If possible please use GEORGIA font Size 12 when submitting articles.

Next Board Meeting Tuesday, November 2 at 10 via ZOOM

Motion to adjourn by Diane Jacobson and second by Linda Carpenter

Respectively Submitted,

Carolyn Pasquale

Secretary



**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 2, 2021, 10:00am on Zoom**

**Voting members present:** Co-Presidents: Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland. Co-Presidents Elect: Anne Sobocinski. Co-Directors for Programs: Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson. Directors for Membership: Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt. Co-Directors Finance: Charlene Griffin, Maureen Brown. Director for Public Policy: Judy Bonn, Director for Fundraising Diane Jacobson. Secretary: Carolyn Pasquale

**Non-voting members present:** Beth Hicks, Liz Schweers

**Welcome** – Gay Birchard

**Old Business** – Minutes of October 5, 2021 meeting. Karen Pickelsimer motioned to approve, Diane Jacobson seconded, minutes approved

**New Business** –

**Presidents' Report:** Katie Haviland – The Annual Financial Review has been received and discussed with the Co-Finance Chairs. The recommendations by the Reviewer, Espi Walmsley, are already in place. This annual internal review for the Branch to ensure good practice procedures was initiated by Diane Reichert and Joan Irwin during their tenure as Co-Finance Directors 2016-2018. Moving from paper based to electronic based record keeping enables easier monthly reconciliation and reporting to Board and State.

**Financial Report** – Char Griffin – finance documents are available in Drop Box. Checking balance \$31,441.60 - two accounts – General Fund \$16,575.60 and Reserve Fund \$14,865. In the General Fund \$11,294.25 is assigned to specific budget items. The Reserve Fund includes Carolyn Johnson scholarships, \$865.00 for Mt. Dora Students, monies for current college scholarship commitments.

Future discussion: For a long-term plan, how much should we carry over from one year to the next?

**Diane Jacobson** reminded us that we were doing a major fund raiser every other year. With Covid we are off track and need to consider fund raising options.

**Char Griffin** suggested for the General Meetings the Financial report be given by rounding numbers to the nearest \$100 – example Checking Balance is \$31,400, general fund, \$16,600. If more details are requested members can contact Char.

**Co President Elect initiative:** Linda Carpenter, Anne looking to the future for branding our branch of AAUW. A suggestion is to use mailchimp.

“Mailchimp” is a free service to contact under 2000 members. Templates can be created for all the various sub divisions of our Branch, groups can then add their own information.

**Discussion** of the use of MailChimp– who would be responsible, is content being sent out appropriate, need to study all parts, what skills are needed, what and who can send information? More investigation is needed.

**Program** – Diane Jacobson - November 20th General Meeting will be on Zoom. Our guest, Dr. Lillian Lopez, Migrant / Homeless Resource Advocate, Lake County Schools “Migrant Education Program Title 1 , Part C will be speaking on migrants and education, with a question and answer session.

**Holiday Luncheon** - December 11<sup>th</sup>, luncheon at The Oaks located in Continental Country Club, Wildwood, FL. We will have our own room and need minimum 30 participants. The cost is \$35. Reservations with Diane needed by Dec 4. Watch for email invitation.

**Discussion concerning vaccination and masks.** Ann Marie suggested that December meeting attendees be vaccinated and wear masks. Diane will include this suggestion in the invitation. Further discussion is needed about vaccinations required and mask wearing when meetings are in person at Allamanda Recreation Center. The Villages does not require masking in their public spaces.

**Public Policy** – Judy Bonn -Apparently State Laws covering registering citizens to vote, have changed. It is suggested that Members planning to participate in voter registration look into the updated class and quiz offered by the state.

**Tech Trek** – Liz Schweers - The Program for the January General meeting currently plans to be an in person meeting with scholarship winners attending. If the Tech Trek girls are not there in person, we do have a video of the students we sponsored that was provided to us by state.

The STEM coordinators at the Lake and Sumter County schools that Liz Schweers and Laura McLaughlin contacted, were very supportive of the scholarships. The Tech Trek information will be sent to all schools in Lake County.

**Membership** – Karen Pickelsimer- We have 117 members. Joanie Schmidt reported on a Zoom meeting sponsored by State for Florida Membership Chairs that she attended. The presenter from Tampa demonstrated how they use facebook, pictures, stories etc. for keeping in contact with their members and providing branch information to the public. Gay made the suggestion to look to the Southern part of Villages as a place to recruit new members.

**Co President Elect Initiatives** – Anne Sobocinski – She and Linda Carpenter are working on a handbook of Board positions and job descriptions.

### **Closing announcements -**

**Newsletter:** We will have a combined December/January newsletter. For THIS edition: send information to Beth Hicks by Dec 3rd instead of the normal date of November 20.

**Reminder:** April 1, 2, 3 Florida State Conference in Orlando

**Dropbox reports need to be submitted to Carolee to place in Drop Box at least 2 or 3 days before the Board meeting**

The files sent need to be **attached** to your email as a Word document or a PDF file, and not included inside your email.

**For the Next Board meeting –**

Request for everyone to respond to the email used to prepare the Board agenda.

A. your report is in Dropbox and agenda time is needed or not

B. nothing new to report since last month,

**Fund Raising Project: Adopt a Precinct Program**

Florida State AAUW has a tax exempt 501(c)(3) for Tech Trek. To participate in the Adopt a Precinct Program as fund raiser, Diane Jacobson is in contact with State for approval for our Branch to be under the State 501(c)(3) umbrella.

**Scholarship:** Jewelry fund raiser has received \$2,000 in donations so far. Forms are on the web site.

**Great decisions discussion group** will meet in January with a smaller number due to the size of the room available and Covid precautions..

Motion to adjourn Diane Jacobson, seconded by Judy Bonn.

Respectively submitted,

Carolyn Pasquale, Secretary

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
December 7, 2021, 10:00am on Zoom**

**Voting members present:** Co-President Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland, Co-Presidents Elect: Linda Carpenter, Co-Directors for Programs Diane Jacobson, Co-Directors for Membership Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt, Co-Finance Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, Communications Jacquie Latzer, Director for Public Policy, Judith Bonn, Director for Fundraising Diane Jacobson, Secretary, Carolyn Pasquale.

**Non-voting members present:** Liz Schweers, Beth Hicks, Carolee Litwinka, Kathy Mason

**Welcome** – Katie Haviland and Gay Birchard

Affirm Quorum

**Old Business-** Review and approve minutes of Nov 2, Board Meeting. Motion by Kathy Mason second by Karen Pickelsimer. Approved

Our January 15, 2022 meeting will be in person at Allamanda Rec. Center at 9:15am. Our program will be presented by the Tech Teck participants.

Gay and Katie reminded us to be thinking about a nominating committee for planning year, think of active participant from members.

**President's Report** – Gay Birchard

**Income/Expense Report** – Char Griffin.

Budget \$11,356, spent of the \$21239 budgeted. That leaves \$9882 of budgeted item to pay out of the General Fund this fiscal year.

In Checking Nov. 30 \$32,877 of that amount \$14,865 is in the reserve account.

\$8000 reserved for next year's tuition for our scholarship recipients

\$6865 with restrictions on how we can spend the money ( Carolyn Johnson Scholarship and Mount Dora Grant Money)

\$18012 is in the General Fund

\$9882 is for budgeted items

\$590 is income for the checks for the Holiday Luncheon (\$455) and Great Decisions (\$135) most of which will be spent to cover the costs.

\$7,539 is uncommitted money in the General Fund that can be spent on additional scholarships or Tech Trek sponsorships or carried over into the 2022-2023 budget year.

Discussion of finances – How much money to carry over to next year? Give more money for scholarships, add more Tech Trek sponsorships. Changes will be on the agenda for next month.

**General Meeting** – Diane Jacobson. We have 35 signed up for the Holiday Lunch. The lunch is pre ordered, and pre seating will be followed for less confusion. There will be no entertainment. If employees are vaccinated they do not need to wear masks.

January 15, 2022 we will be meeting in person at Allamanda Rec Center. There will be registration for members, please wear masks. Girls who received awards for the 2020 TechTrek Zoom experience will be presenting for our program. There will be separate seating for Tech Trek presenters, their families and guests. The doors open at 9:00, program starts at 9:15. The business meeting will follow. We will add 10 additional seats for walk – ins. We will maintain social distancing, and request everyone wear masks.

**Scholarship Committee** – Kathy Mason. She reported the jewelry raffle has \$2500 to date. Last year the raffle returned \$4000. The scholarship ladies from last year are doing well. One will graduate in the spring and her fall monies will be given to her in the spring.

**Tech Trek** – Liz Schweers. We have 15 applications from Sumter County (with 10 potential additional) and 19 applications from Lake County. The deadline for applications is Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. State AAUW selects applicants from the counties, then the local chapter chooses the finalists to attend the in person camps. The camps are in Jupiter and Deland. School superintendents and co-ordinators will be invited to the January meeting.

**Co-President Elect Initiatives** – Linda Carpenter. She requested all officers to keep notes of duties this year to be used as descriptions of duties. Please have them by April.

A presentation on Mailchimp was given by Linda and Char. This is being considered to use for our recruiting and branding.

Mailchimp is a free service and has the ability to –

1. Distribute ( e mail)
2. E mail content
3. Statistics – gather and record
4. Self-serve form for web ( members could manage their own e mail groups)

Discussion followed on the pros and cons. Linda suggested that Beth use it for the newsletter. This would be a place to start to see if it is something we would want to use for our Branch.

Strategic Planning is underway. It needs to be inclusive of all members, and everyone needs to support the process. The committee needs to include all of the executive committee and to identify active, supportive members who will work toward the goals of

our Branch. The Committee will begin work in January and finish in March. It will be an intense but short lived commitment. There is a past plan to give some direction but it needs to be reviewed, revised and updated. The new plan would be reviewed and update every 2 years.

Anne Sobocinski will be heading a committee to review colors and logos.

**Fund Raising** – Diane Jacobson. The adopt a precinct for Sumter County will meet on Monday. Participants are needed for this project which could raise money for our Branch. Participants would need to be registered voters in Sumter County, willing to attend one training day and one or two voting days. You do not need to belong to AAUW.

**Closing announcements** – Gay Brichard. The nominating committee needs past presidents, Board and 2 other members to form this committee.

Holiday Luncheon December 11, at the Oaks a 11:00am

Newsletter Deadline December 6 for a combined Dec/Jan edition. Please, if possible use GEORGIA font size 12 when submitting articles.

The next board meeting is Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 on ZOOM

Motion to adjourn Diane Jacobson, seconded by Char Griffin

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Pasquale

Secretary

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 4, 2022, 10:00 am via ZOOM**

**Voting members present:** Co- President Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland, Co- Presidents elect: Linda Carpenter, Anne Sobocinski, Co- Secretary: Carolyn Pasquale, Co- Finance – Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, Co- Program: Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson, Co Membership: Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt, Communications Jacquie Latzer, Public Policy Judy Bonn Fundraising Co Ordinator Diane Jacobson

**Non- Voting members present:** Liz Schweers, Laura McLaughlin

**Welcome** – Katie Haviland and Gay Birchard

Affirm Quorum

**Old Business** – Approval of minutes – motion by Judy Bonn , seconded by Char Griffin - passed

Check for spam – email is being sent using officers’ names and it is not from the officers.

**Finance** – Char Griffin and Maureen Brown

General Fund - spent \$14,825, \$8413 left

Char motioned to pay a scholarship recipient Nikia Goodson \$2000 out of this year’s monies as she will be graduating early this spring. This money would have been given to her for next year’s expenses. She will fulfill her requirements for graduation this spring. Seconded by Diane, passed

Checking - \$30649 , reserve \$12865 - \$6000 is for tuition and \$6856 is restricted. \$6000 of the restricted fund is the Carolyn Johnson Scholarship and \$865 is reserved for a girl from Mount Dora for either a Tech Trek or a scholarship grant.

Finance questions 1. Agreed that Committee budget monies could be spent up to \$100 without Board Approval. Branch needs a new “card” reader for credit card payment which costs \$49 plus tax etc. 2. Budget for recreations centers \$200 for room, \$40 for projector, \$40 for screen. Should we consider buying our own screen and projector. Who will house it , who will transport it , who will operate it? 3. If a members check “bounces” is it ok to ask them to cover the banking costs ? Yes , they should be asked

Purchased \$12 port extension for computer

Storage bin of financial records – records are being converted to digital files, there are backups with the bank and Quicken software

**Program** - Ann Marie Lombardi and Diane Jacobson-

February 19th meeting is a speaker from Florida Native Plant Society with a power point and live plants.

March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting not secure at this time.

January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting – in person , making it as safe as possible with distancing, masks etc. Tech Teck with students, parents, and school officials. Please note it starts at 9:15 am

**Public Policy** – Judy Bonn - Lobby days are January 18-21 virtual. Tuesday is Lobby Day, Wednesday is Title 9, Thursday is financial aide information, Friday is school profiles.

AAUW Florida Conference is Friday , April 1 to Sunday, April 3 at the Rosen Inn Lake Buena Vista, Orlando

Links to these events are on the AAUW Florida website.

**Scholarship** – Diane Jacobson- reporting for Kathy Mason. Jewelry sale continues thru February 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Tech Trek** – Laura McLaughlin and Liz Schweers - 34 girls from schools in Wildwood, Villages, and Lake county have been nominated by their teachers. The Villages newspaper had a nice article and will be at our January meeting to greet the girls who are presenting.

The Wildwood Boosters have donated \$1100 for one girl from that school if one is selected.

Girls applications go to State AAUW for the final selection. Both the girls and their parents must submit applications. There are spaces for 48 girls in each week of Tech Trek.

Suggestions – As a Branch we need to follow up on the progress of these young women. We need to give support to the families in the application process.

**Membership** – Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt - At the January meeting there will be no sign in, name tags will be on a separate table, trying to distance people and avoid lines. Chairs will be spaced, members will sit in one area , guests in another area.

**Co-President Elect Initiatives** – Linda Carpenter and Anne Sobocinski – Strategic Plan Committee

Suggestions for the items to be included in the Board Manual, job descriptions, policies and procedures, skills needed for various positions, remind members all Board meetings are open to members.

Membership – power point presentations for new members, and long standing members to stress goals and purpose of AAUW. What is our purpose and your vision? Keep in mind that the social activities are very important to members, coffees, summer gatherings, surveys for new and old members to find their interests and skills, set up a mentor program for new members, AAUW is an organization that supports women.



**Fund Raising** – Diane Jacobson - Adopt a precinct gathering interest. June 22 is the training day all volunteers must attend.

**Closing announcements**

Newsletter articles to Beth Hicks by January 20. General meeting January 15 at Allamanda Recreation Center doors open at 9:00 meeting starts at 9:15am.

Next Board meeting February 1, 10:00 via ZOOM

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Pasquale

Secretary

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 1, 2022, 10:00 am via ZOOM**

**Voting members present:** Co-President Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland, Co Presidents elect: Linda Carpenter, Anne Sobocinski, Co- Secretary: Carolyn Pasquale, Co- Finance: Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, Co Program: Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson, Co Membership: Karen Pickelsimer, Public Policy: Judy Bonn, Fundraising Co Ordinator: Diane Jacobson

**Non-Voting members present:** Liz Schweers, Kathy Mason, Tweet Coleman, Beth Hicks, Diane Reichert, Past President: Anne Wilkins

**Welcome** – Katie Haviland

Affirm Quorum

**Old Business** – Review and Approve last Board meeting minutes Linda motioned and Char seconded - approved

**President’s Report** – Anne Schlick , Lake Sumter Branch and Lifetime member of AAUW, passed recently, donation in her memory sent to National.

Jacque Latzer requested a temporary replacement for communication, all communication for publication needs to go through communication chair. Linda Carpenter offered to fill this role. All articles to newsletter/newspaper will be sent to Linda.

**Income/Expense Statement:** Char Griffin -

January Income: \$810 Expenses: \$81

Budget \$14,900 spent , \$23,200 budgeted, leaving \$8,333 to cover budgeted items

Checking – January 31, 2022 Balance: \$31,378

Reserve \$12,900

\$6000 tuition 21-22

\$6865 restricted funds (\$6,000 Carolyn Johnson fund, \$865 Mount Dora Grant)

General fund: \$18,500 \$8,333 budgeted: \$10,180 uncommitted in General Fund

**Program** – Ann Marie Lombardi – February 19, 2022 general meeting at Allamanda Recreation Center at 9:30am. The business meeting will be held first, then our speaker.

March 19, 2022 meeting Tweet Coleman will speak on “New Normal in Aviation.

Renewal of facilities permit for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at Allamanda Recreation Center

Village Neighbors Magazine – will feature an article on our AAUW Branch. Ann Marie will request information of members which is due to her by February 15. Please sent your information as soon as possible, do not wait until Feb 15. The April issue should include this article. Various topics were requested from members for the article. Discussion on photos and parent release if girls are underage.

**Nominating Committee** – Anne Sobocinski Nominations are moving forward. Co-President elect Joanie Schmidt, Gay Birchard moving to membership, Co Program Tweet Coleman, Co Secretary Jennifer Thompson. Please consider a position.

**Public Policy** – Judy Bonn see the newsletter article and also in the Dropbox

**Scholarship** – Kathy Mason - The jewelry raffle produced \$3380, last year the raffle made \$5000. Tickets will be available at the Feb 19<sup>th</sup> meeting and the drawing will be at the end of the meeting. Plans for the 2022 scholarship applications are in process.

**Tech Trek** – Liz Schweers – It will be remote learning again this summer, the cost per participant is \$550. Applications of all the girls who apply will be accepted by the Florida Tech Trek Committee. 25 from Lake and Sumter have applied, 35 were recommended by teachers. The applications are now in English and Spanish. Girls need to be reminded to send their applications to State. Our Branch budgeted to send 3 girls to in person Tech Trek, This year we could send 6 since the virtual cost is half the in-person cost. AAUW State accepts all applications, our Branch then interviews applications and sends our decisions back to State. The branch Tech Trek committee needs volunteers to help interview the girls remotely.

**Membership** – Karen Pickelsimer - We have 113 members and 5 life members for a total of 118 members. Discussion on renting community room at Wildwood for our monthly meetings, less expensive than the Villages. Can be explored for the pros and cons. Reminded that we have met at other facilities in the area – Beacon College and the Library in Leesburg and Pennbrooke Rec. Center. National does not print pamphlets, all printing is at our expense.

Gay Birchard introduced Linda Carpenter and Anne Sobocinski

**Co- Present Elect Initiatives** – Linda and Anne There is a report in the Drop Box. What should be in the Board Handbook and what should be in the Members Handbook? Discussion should by-laws be in both books, they are on line, there will be more discussion.

**Fund Raising** -Diane Jacobson – Adopt a precinct has 11 applications enough to move forward, would like to have 5 more. Great Decisions is moving ahead.

**Application for 501 (c)(3) status** -Tweet Coleman – An organization that anticipates less than \$50,000 in annual gross receipts each year for the first three years is eligible for the 1023-EZ form. The average processing time is 3 to 5 weeks. The user fee is \$275. This is a one-time fee when the application is filed, all documents will be completed electronically. An IRS form 990-N, an electronic postcard is filled annually.

Motion by Anne Sobocinski for the Board of Directors to establish and pursue both incorporation and federal tax exemption. The Lake/Sumter branch of AAUW is eligible and will complete the 1023-EZ form to obtain a 501 ( c ) 3 status. Seconded by Karen Pickelsimer. The following Board members voted YES - Katie Haviland, Gay Birchard, Linda Carpenter, Anne Sobocinski, Carolyn Pasquale, Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson, Karen Pickelsimer, Judy Bonn. There were no negative votes. Motion passed.

Tweet and Char will work on this project.

**Newsletter** – Beth Hicks – articles are due February 20, 2022

**Closing Announcements-** Char – League of Women Voters will gather March 5<sup>th</sup> at the Wildwood Community Center from 2 to 4 pm on 6500 Powell Road, Wildwood Fl. It is free but you must register. Organizations with diversity programs will have information tables.

International Women’s Day – Beth Hicks and Dorothy Dobbs will have a table and flyers on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Sumter Lake Square Landing from 11:00 to 1:00. Costumes and hats are encouraged! Many women’s groups are participating.

**Monthly announcements** – General meeting February 19 starting at 9:30am , business meeting will be first, at the Allamanda Recreation Center. Reply YES to e mail to reserve a seat, please wear a mask for comfort and health.

Next Board meeting – March 1, 2022 at 10:00am via VOOM

Motion to adjourn Linda Carpenter seconded by Judy Bonn 11:58 am, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Pasquale

Secretary

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 1, 2022**

The meeting began at 10:03 AM with the following members present:

Katie Haviland, Gay Birchard, Linda Carpenter, Diane Jacobson, Joanie Schmidt, Karen Pickelsimer, Anne Sobocinski, Beth Hicks, Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, AnnMarie Lombardi, Liz Schweers, and Judy Bonn.

A quorum was affirmed, and the minutes of the last (February) board meeting were approved. Motion to approve was made by Anne Sobocinski and seconded by Linda Carpenter.

Katie informed the board that the State Conference would be virtual again this year, and will be on April 1, 2, and 3 via Zoom. Registration can be made on the FloriVision site.

New password instructions for the national site will be given at a webinar on March 3, at 3:30 PM.

NEW Business:

1. Char Griffin gave the Income/Expense statement. We have \$11,292 available in the treasury. Char moved that we use \$375.00 of that to pay fees involved in making our branch a 501(c)3 charity. Diane Jacobson seconded. Motion carried.
2. Program- AnnMarie Lombardi explained that the election of new officers will take place at the April meeting and the new officers will be installed at the May meeting. We will hold all meetings at the Allamanda Rec Center next year.
3. Anne Sobocinski presented the results of the nominating committee's search for new officer candidates. The slate of new officers is as follows:  
Co-Presidents-Elect: Joanie Schmidt and Helen Gozdanovic  
Co-Directors for Program: Tweet Coleman and Bonnie Weaver  
Co-Directors for Membership: Gay Birchard  
Co-Secretary: Jennifer Thompson  
Maureen Brown was added to the slate as Co-Director of Finance  
Linda Carpenter moved to approve the slate and Char Griffin seconded. Motion carried.
4. Judy Bonn resigned as Public Policy Chair as of June 30, 2022.
5. Scholarship Committee: Kathy Mason reported that the jewelry fundraiser went very well, despite the COVID problems. Diane Geach won the beautiful necklace donated by Gold in Art. Kathy thanked everyone for their help with the fundraiser.

6. Tech Trek: Liz Schweers stated that every one of the applicants was amazing and she asked that since Tech Trek is virtual again this year, and therefore cheaper, we go ahead and send all nine of the girls. The cost per student is \$550. The budget has \$3300. An additional \$1,650 was proposed. Diane Jacobson moved to do so, and Linda Carpenter seconded. Motion carried.
7. Membership: The membership total of 118 members is the same as last month.
8. Co-President-Elect Initiatives: Linda Carpenter explained that there are at present two needs with the work on the Strategic Plan. To provide educational opportunities and to support their goals and vision. She thanked Char Griffin for her help. Char said she used a SWOT analysis to study the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats to work on the strategic plan.

She asked, "What makes us unique?" We are all college-educated. Our weakness is fundraising. Therefore, our goal should be educational learning opportunities. This goes under Recruit, Engage and Retain. Diane Jacobson remarked that last year when she offered virtual classes online as a fundraiser, she got the worst response ever. People were just not interested.

Gay commented that she thought we need to weave a social aspect into this to create socialization. Linda Carpenter asked Gay to send her suggestions. Char stated that the data do not support that, as socialization is a *result*, not a *strategy*. Diane Jacobson thinks that the social side must be integrated with the intellectual side. Katie's opinion was that serving on a committee engages you and helps with retention, so it should be an objective.

9. Fundraising: The Adopt a Precinct Program is coming along well and moving forward. Diane Jacobson reported that they have found enough volunteers to staff a precinct, and the applications can be sent to the Supervisor of Elections office to be vetted.
10. Publicity: Ann Marie Lombardi reported that all the deadlines have been met for the Villages Neighbor magazine.
11. The establishment of an ad hoc committee to make our branch a Villages Club to avoid the expenses for renting the Allamanda Rec Center every month. Diane Jacobson has investigated it, and we *cannot* become a Villages club because The Villages rules would not permit it.
12. Agenda items to consider soon: No one knows where the contents of Dropbox go or will be stored. We will find out for future reference if the information in the drop box ever needs to be accessed.

13. Beth Hicks reminded us of the March 20<sup>th</sup> deadline for getting articles into the April newsletter.
14. National/State news: Members need to create a new password for national and it is very difficult to access.
15. The State Conference is virtual again this year and is on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Like last year there will be Zoom presentations every day, with the Annual Meeting on Sunday, the 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Conference and the Annual Meeting must be registered for separately, as only members can attend the Annual Meeting. The League of Women Voters ([LWVTRI@FL.org](mailto:LWVTRI@FL.org)) will have an event in Wildwood on March 5<sup>th</sup>. On March 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a Suffragette event in Lake Sumter Landing.

The March general meeting of the Lake/Sumter branch will be at Allamanda Rec Center on March 19<sup>th</sup> and the next board meeting will be on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. The April general meeting will be a hybrid meeting of both in-person and virtual media.

At 11:15 Char moved to adjourn the meeting. Judy Bonn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 5, 2022 10:00am via ZOOM**

Voting members present: Co Presidents, Gay Birchard, Katie Haviland, Co Presidents Elect: Linda Carpenter, Co Secretary , Carolyn Pasquale, Co Finance, Char Griffin, Maureen Brown, Co-Program, Ann Marie Lombardi, Diane Jacobson, Co-Membership, Karen Pickelsimer, Joanie Schmidt, Public Policy, Judy Bonn Fundraising Coordinator, Diane Jacobson

Non-Voting members present: Kathy Mason, Beth Hicks

Call to order

Welcome – Katie Haviland

Affirm Quorum

President’s Report- Katie Haviland

Anne Sobocinski’s sister has passed, our sincere sympathy for the family.

Article in the Village Neighbor by Anne Marie Lombardi with information on our Branch and its activities, highlighting scholarships and Tech Trek.

Gay Birchard – State annual conference held by remote. Urged by many speakers to tell a story about AAUW not just facts and figures, Mary Hickey gave information on virtual courses for students, many members of our branch participated in the conference. Comments and discussion followed from Judy Bonn, Char Griffin and Linda Carpenter, all found it very interesting.

Old Business –

Review with additions to the minutes of March 1, 2022, motion by Judy Bonn to accept the minutes with additions, Linda Carpenter seconded, approved

New Business –

Finance – Income/Expense statement – Char Griffin

Revised report for February in drop box, with a merging of banks the statements are issued on various dates.

Checking \$16,000 spent, \$6900 left in General Fund

\$23000 Budgeted, voted to add \$1650 to Tech Teck with \$5200 left at the end of the year. How much do we carry over?

\$12965 Reserve, Tuition for 3 scholarships, \$6965 restricted, \$11,915 general not committed



Discussion concerning Annual Review by Co- Presidents and Co-Presidents elect began in 2017 (mostly on paper) now changes in report of 2022. This review is a guideline, it should be included in the Board Handbook and in the Finance Directors Packet

Discussion concerning 990n form for taxes, have notified National but as yet not resolved.

Discussion National Website is being changed and is not yet working as it should be. Cannot register dues payments, bulk renewals.

Char motioned- The difference between current dues and next year's dues ( less than \$10)for one of our new members will be paid by the Branch. Seconded by Diane Jacobson , approved

Discussion use of membership number to locate member on national is not available at this time. Concerns a member who wants to change from one Branch to Another.

Dues for next year are \$98 total, \$19 Branch, \$12 State and \$67 National.(\$63 of National dues id tax deductible)

Discussion National has had staff cuts from 120 to 50, they are moving from 3 floors to 1 in the same location, they are changing the web site.

Program –Anne Marie Lombardi

April 23 will be a ZOOM only meeting with a presentation of the Strategic Plan and election of officers for 2022-2023.

New colors for our Branch will be presented, please send information for slides to Anne Marie.

Public Policy – Judy Bonn

Florida legislature has finished its regular session a special session will be held in April. Topics have been “don't say gay” redistricting, midterm elections. There will be back lash from the public.

Judy is resigning from Public Policy Chair position but will be helping in other areas. Thanks to Judy for her leadership.

Scholarship Committee – Kathy Mason

Receiving applications from Beacon College and Lake Sumter State College. The Committee will meet after April 15<sup>th</sup> and conduct interviews. Presentations will be in May. Mentors will be assigned to each scholarship student to report on their progress.

Membership- Karen Pickelsimer

Very difficult to work on membership without the National website

Co-President Elect Initiatives – Linda Carpenter

Job descriptions, please send information by April 15 to Linda

Communicating our branding – Manual , the new colors favored for our Branch are a red and blue. National, at this time, has not decided on colors but does have the new logo

Strategic Plan has copies in the drop box. Who we are and what we do focuses on members needs. Plan formalizes those goals. Objectives for future years.

Discussion – Members survey showed interest in learning and socialization, proud of Tech Trek scholarships, there is room for everyone in our Branch, AAUW Florida has 1500 members, only 100 participated in State conference, average age 72, AAUW supports women’s rights, we need a 501c3 for donations to be tax deductible, need to build relationships, Branch resources are not for social costs.

Char motioned we accept the Plan, Judy seconded – passed.

Membership handbook – table of contents with 14 topics, suggestions list of items found on the website example by-law. Encouraged to “go ahead”

Board handbook- review, will be only online in the Members only section. Encouraged to “go ahead.”

Web site –Beautiful design and looks easy to use. Needs more secure password, will try to have changing photos on every page, will not make names, addresses or email public. We need a PO Box. National can put items on our site but they do not however they do add links.

The above minutes are submitted by Carolyn Pasquale, Secretary. Due to another appointment, she left the meeting early.

Following provided by Katie Haviland-

The full description and rational for the change from National provided site to one hosted by [www.wix.com](http://www.wix.com) is in the Dropbox and was reviewed by Linda at the meeting this morning.

Following the presentation, a motion was made by Char Griffin and second by Joanie Schmidt to purchase a 3-year agreement with [www.wix.com](http://www.wix.com) that covers hosting our site, security and maintenance for a total cost of \$451.60 was approved.

This covers not only the current year but for the next two years.

Linda will contact National to alert them of the change in provider for our Branch.

General Monthly Announcements –

AAUW General Meeting April 23 via ZOOM Social gathering 9:30am Meeting starts at 9:30am

Next Board meeting – Tuesday, May 3, via ZOOM

Motion to Adjourn by Joanie Schmidt and Seconded by Karen Pickelsimer at 1:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn Pasquale , Secretary

**Lake Sumter Florida Branch AAUW  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 2, 2022 via ZOOM**

The meeting began at 10:00 am with the following members present –

Katie Havaland, Gay Birchard, Linda Carpenter, Joanie Schmidt, Karen Pickelsimer, Carolyn Pasquale, Beth Hicks, Char Griffin, Ann Maire Lombard, Liz Schweers, Judy Bonn, Diane Reiiichert, Jennifer Thompson, Barbara Fieldman, Helen Gozdanovic, Kathy Mason

**Call to Order**

**Affirm Quorum** – Gay Birchard

**President's Report** – none

**Old Business-** motion to approve was made by Char and seconded by Linda to approve the April 5, 2022 minutes. Passed

**New Business-**

**Finance** – Char

Budget increase to Tech Trek of \$1650 , budget \$24889, \$16874 spent, \$8014 not spent but budgeted until end of June. \$4900 Tech Trek will be spent, membership \$1500 not spent will carry over for next year. Budgeted \$750 State Conference will not be spent, \$350 insurance will be spent, \$2100 left can carry over.

Checking reserve \$16864

In General Fund \$14698 - \$8000 for budgeted items

\$261 owed to National but cannot send until data bases is up (April 29 was a target date), waiting for instructions.

\$6400 uncommitted.

March 16, 2022 National Dues increased \$5.00, web site \$67 to National

IRS filing National does this for us, Char filed April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Questions and discussion followed concerning the Shape the Future Campaign and spending. The Board needs to know how Shape the Future money can be spent.

**Programs** – Linda and Anne Sobocinski will coordinate with Carolyn and Bonnie Weaver. A membership drive/event should be held. Policy procedure needs to be in the Booklet for the Board. The Presidents, Membership and Program need to work together, all can add to publicity. Karen confirmed that National is offering one free membership for every two new members who sign up during a Shape the future event or

meeting. Must be used in the year the two new members joined. This year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Scholarship** – Kathy Mason

A discussion of scholarship monies. If \$2000 is given each year ( for two years) to 4 candidates, we need \$16,000 total. Carolyn Johnson scholarship \$6000, jewelry made \$4000, can we afford 4 scholarships?

Motion by Char to have \$12000 to scholarship, seconded by Linda, approved. Suggestion for \$2000 each year for 3 students or \$1500 each year for 4 students was made depending on the Scholarship Committee recommendation following their interviews with potential recipients.

Kathy thanked her committee – Diane Jacobson, Susan Gold, Marge McQueston, Gretchen Lewis, Carolee Litwinka.

**Program** – Ann Marie May 21 meeting is all set for in person at Allamanda Rec. Center. E mail RSVP will be sent. Front desk and hospitality duties are filled.

What worked and what did not – from the final report

The technology team: determine if it is best to buy, rent, use the rec. center equipment; manage the technology used at meetings for presentations etc. . Speakers as well as members and Tech Trek need the technology to give their presentations

September needs a hospitality committee ASAP

Communications Committee – Promote –programs, press release, build working relationship with media, new member drive, printed literature

Power point knowledge needed for our Branch – several members needed to work on this.

We have articles with Village Neighbor – south , and the Daily Sun

Gay thanked Ann Marie and Diane Jacobson for all of their dedication to programs both in person and on zoom

### **Public Policy** – Judy

Concern over national and international news. Encourage members to look for recommendations AAUW national suggests that support our mission.

### **Tech Teck** – Liz Schweers

9 girls have been selected to attend the virtual camp this summer.

Discussion of the need for parental permission to use names, photos of girls in our publicity. National can use their information as they have permission, but we cannot

use any photos etc the we as a Branch produce unless we have a separate parental permission.

Gay – watch National as they discuss extending Tech Trek into high school.

Linda – needs items for the web site, articles, photos etc. Our Branch Spring Day Trip to the Dora Canal is featured at present.

Diane Reichert is concerned over censorship, abortion, and same sex marriage – we need to know what National is doing with these concerns.

Liz thanked her committee for the great work – Marilyn Williamson, Maureen Brown, Anne Cobb, Sharron Albrecht, Laura McLaughlin, Betty Rohan.

### **Membership – Karen**

On May 10 a meeting with National on membership, concerns registration, dues, donations, banks, etc. National wants each member to register on line.

We need to send invoices to our members and have them send their payment to our Branch as National is not yet ready to receive our monies. Look for instructions in July.

### **Co-Presidents Elect Initiatives – Linda**

Please read End of Year Reports in Dropbox

Working on Board Handbook, policy, procedures. We need to answer – What it means to be a Board member and What does it mean to you, personally? What are the requirements.

This is a work in progress and will change over time.

Linda – Thank you to Katie and Gay and all the Board for keeping us together for the past two years of a difficult time.

### **Announcements -**

Discussion on future Board Meetings, the next one will be Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>, Tuesday on ZOOM. Our Zoom license will be renewed

Summer Breakfasts – Gay will look into these, will perhaps be on a Tuesday as it was in the past.

By laws – Katie

Sent in an e mail, first approval by Board, then approval by Members, then approval by State.

Membership Meeting on May 21, Saturday at Allamanda Rec. Center, 9:30 doors open 10:00 meeting. Breakfast and social time.

**Motion to adjourn** by Helen, seconded by Karen approved, adjourned at 11:33am

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Pasquale