



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter
September 2016

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September Membership Meeting

Annual Branch Potluck ~
Beginning the 2016–17 Year



September 8 (Thursday)
7:00 p.m.
Vert Clubroom

Bring your favorite potluck dish
(beverages and tableware will be provided)

October Membership Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 7:00 p.m.

Vert Clubroom

Program: Information on November Ballot Issues

**AAUW Pendleton Branch
Leadership Team 2016–2017**

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Co-Presidents

Marlene Krout 276-7596
Susan Doyle 966-8854

Membership Vice-President

Joan Deroko 310-9175

Finance Vice-President

Dianne Barnes 276-5547

Co-Program Vice-Presidents

Karen Allen 276-2943
Kathryn Chaney 379-9997

Recording Secretary

Judy Witte 276-6289

Appointed Leaders:

Bylaws

Kathy Ward 276-0308

EF/LAF

Kathleen Mace 276-1006

Grapefruit

Kathy Ward & Karen King

Newsletter & Directory Editor

Susan Doyle 966-8854

Public Policy

Elizabeth Scheeler 276-2949

STEM & BMCC Liaison

Karen King 278-2151

Title IX Coordinator

Melissa Woodbury 276-0268

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NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

September Membership Meeting: This will be our annual social gathering to begin our year of interesting and informative meetings. Kate Mace has generously provided for the kitchen service, so we will have tableware for the potluck. If you know someone who might be interested in joining our branch, please bring them.

September Lunch Bunch: The September Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, September 22, at Kinship Cafe at Tamastslit. We will carpool from Heritage Station at 11:30. a.m.

September Board Meeting: The September board meeting will be Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Melissa Woodbury. Joan Deroko will be the host. Note the new time. The board decided to begin meetings at 6:30 p.m. instead of 7:00. As always, all branch members are invited to attend the board meeting.

October Membership Meeting: The program will be on the November ballot issues and will include Chuck Woo and Nancy Kerns on the Marijuana ballot measure. Additional speakers on other measures are being contacted. The issues are complex, so this forum will be timely. The meeting will be open to the public, so please bring guests.



President's Corner for September 2016

By Susan Doyle & Marlene Krout

Marlene ~

WOW!! Summer on the wane already and your AAUW Board is busy planning for our 2016–2017 exciting year. As the continuing half of the presidential team, I want especially to thank Melissa Woodbury for her past two years of service to the Pendleton Branch. I personally appreciated her efforts in bringing me up to speed and for sharing her knowledge and skills during my first year. Our method of using this team approach makes for a smooth transition, lightens the load for both, and as many of us travel some, it usually provides for at least one of us being available. So, as we move into our next transition, I am also thankful that Susan Badger Doyle (who has previous experience in this position) is willing to share my second year and carry on this two-year team service.

Also added to our 2016–2017 leadership team is Kathryn Chaney, sharing the Program Vice-President duties with Karen Allen, and Joan Deroko, replacing Jan Bruning as Membership Vice-President. Again, a welcome to the new board members and a thank you to Melissa, Jan, and Renee Struthers who served as Communications Vice-President. We would welcome a volunteer for Communications as that position has not been filled.

Our first General Membership Meeting – the fun, annual potluck – is fast approaching. It will be Thursday, September 8, at the Vert Clubroom. Hopefully, most of you are planning to attend and please bring a friend and maybe a potential member. We really do need to build our membership; however, whether they become a member or not, Pendleton Branch AAUW loves to make new friends.

Susan~

I am pleased to serve with Marlene as Co-President and am looking forward to an exciting year ahead. We both want to hear from you if you have any concerns. But most of all, we want to work with you to build our branch and make it even stronger

At the August board meeting, Kathy Ward announced the exciting news that we will be able to use the Hodgen Distributing building on Westgate for grapefruit distribution this December and into the future. Our new grapefruit home has plenty of cooler storage for the grapefruit when it is delivered and a large heated room for distribution. Thank you Kathy and Karen for making the arrangements!

We hope to see you at our meeting September 8

**AAUW PENDLETON BRANCH
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

June 11, 2016

We combined our brown bag lunch with the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 11:23 a.m. by Co-President Marlene Krout.

Minutes: Kathy Ward moved and Dianne Barnes seconded the motion to accept the May minutes. It passed.

Financial Report: Dianne reported there is about \$1,800.00 in the checking account and \$1,525.00 of that is to be sent for National and State AAUW dues. There is about \$7,200.00 in the savings account. The \$1,000.00 scholarship money was sent to BMCC. The \$228.00 for the GED vouchers was sent to BMCC and that check has cleared. There are still nine members who have not paid their dues. Various members will contact them. Karen King and Kathy Ward volunteered to audit the treasurer's books in July.

Program updates:

STEM: Karen King reported she has four possibilities to consider:

- 1) Or. Coast Aquarium program: Several members went to Pilot Rock to observe their presentation. They thought there may be a better way to use the \$1,200.00 that it would cost for it to be presented to all three of our elementary schools.
- 2) OMSI: It would cost \$420.00 per elementary school (\$1260.00) to bring that program here.
- 3) Robotics: We could give funds toward furthering that program. Girls Robots Team: Matthew Campbell, PHS teacher, has resigned from this program. No further information is known at this time.
- 4) Welding equipment for girls at PHS: Karen has the exact figure, which is about \$520.00, that would be needed for this project. The equipment for the boys is too large for girls, so there is only a boys class at this time.

An informal vote was taken as advisory information for the board. About half of those present liked the welding choice, and about half liked the robotics.

Old Business:

Start Smart: Karen King found more information about this program. National AAUW owns the rights to this program, and it costs \$650.00 to bring it to a branch one time. Since BMCC has an affiliation with our branch, it would cost \$550.00. For \$1,750.00, a branch could have this program presented as many times as they like over a three year period. Housing for the presenter would be needed; Melissa Woodbury has already volunteered to provide this at her home. The program, which teaches how to negotiate salaries, is 2–3 hours in length and can accommodate 10–40 students. Velda Arnaud, BMCC advisor to the student affiliate group, will see if BMCC would be able to assist with the cost.

BMCC Scholarship: Julie Stratton was notified by Marlene about our decision to grant the scholarship to her.

New Business:

Appointed Leaders: Public Policy leader is needed to be filled. Elizabeth Scheeler volunteered, and Marlene appointed her to this post.

Installation of Officers: Marlene installed Susan Doyle as Co-President, Joan Deroko as Membership Vice-President, and Kathryn Chaney as Program Co-Vice President. A rose and balloon were given to each.

Kathy Ward has reviewed the new National AAUW Bylaws and has updated our bylaws as needed.

Dinner Diva coordinator is needed.

Announcements:

Planning Board Meeting: June 29, 5:30 p.m., potluck at Melissa's house. All are welcome.

Lunch Bunch: June 30, 11:45 a.m., at Momijis.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Judy Witte, secretary

**District Meeting
Saturday, October 15
Best Western Sunridge Inn, Baker City**

Organized by Lucy Hutchens, District Director

Mardy Stevens will present the program:

Growing your membership – 10 to noon. This will be interactive

Spice up your Programming – 1 to 3 p.m. Also interactive

Happy hour will follow – provided by Lucy Hutchens



Pendleton branch will organize a group to attend the meeting

