

## Danville-Alamo AAUW Board Meeting Minutes for October 3, 2008

The following members were present:

Tena Gallagher, Pres.	Sharon Cohune, Membership Co-VP	Nancy Murray, Program Co-VP
Marian Bliss, Parliamentarian	Bev Nidick, Tech Trek Coordinator	Carole Allen, Program Co-VP
Dora-Thea Porter, Secretary, EYH	Cheryl Kohleriter, Advocate News	Susan Rogers, LAF Co-VP
Cynthia Savell, LAF & Pub. Pol.		

President Tena Gallagher called the Friday, October 3 board meeting to order at 9:45 at the Shadow Hills Cabana, 1001 El Capitan Drive, Danville. The minutes of the August 22 board meeting were accepted and approved as e-mailed.

**Treasurer (presented by Tena Gallagher):** The 08-09 budget has been presented and was approved by the membership at the membership brunch on September 6. Our bank certificate is maturing and Jacque has asked for approval to round the balance up to \$6,500 and shop for the best CD rate, Marion moved, Nancy seconded and the motion passed. Both State and Federal Income Taxes need to be filed.

**Audit Report (Marian Bliss):** The financial records were all found to be in excellent order. An inventory list of our branch's properties was reviewed and will be attached to the audit as well as the balance sheet and profit and loss statement. Cheryl moved to accept the audit. Nancy seconded and the motion was approved.

**Advocate (Cheryl Kohleriter):** Cheryl requested articles be submitted by the middle of the month, preferably, but no later than the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Program (Nancy Murray and Carol Allen):** Plans are set for the October 21 general meeting. Spouses/others are also invited. Final preparations, supply requirements, and hospitality needs for the event were discussed. For the May meeting, plans are to have Bud McKensie (Trust in Education) as the speaker. Nancy and Carol hope to get Ellen Tauscher for the March Women's History Month Program and are considering Crow Canyon Country Club for the venue. They will explore costs. Sharon suggested a backup program—a panel with or without Ellen Tauscher and possibly Jerry McNerney and a Stanford professor contact she has who is involved in the history of women's political action.

**Branch 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party (Cheryl Kohleriter):** This is scheduled for October 10, 2009 at the Danville Community Center. They anticipate 90-100 attendees. Cost is \$803 to rent the facility and a deposit of \$500 (refundable except for a \$75 cancellation fee) is needed to secure it. It was moved, seconded by Bev and approved that this expense be paid by the branch.

**Membership (Sharon Cohune):** This year's membership brunch was a great success. Membership stands now at 185. Plans are to hold the 2009 membership brunch at the same location (Crow Canyon Country Club) on September 12. Sharon feels she can carry on without a Co-VP since she will have assistance from the hospitality committee.

**LAF (Susan Rogers and Cynthia Savell):** The November 18 general meeting will be a fundraiser for the Feather River College litigants and will feature their attorney, Michael Terhost, who is representing them. The goal is to raise \$1,000 with a raffle and donations. It will be at the Bighorn Grill in San Ramon, which has a maximum seating capacity of 80. Costs for the facility and food is \$27 per attendee. We are considering charging \$35, with an \$8 tax-deductible donation included. This is the last year that AAUW can give money directly to litigants. Reservation checks should be made out to LAF-Danville-Alamo AAUW and sent to our P.O. Box in Danville.

**Public Policy (Cynthia Savell):** Cynthia discussed Prop 4 (parental notification) and Prop 8 (gay marriage ban), which are on the November ballot. She also gave an up-date on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act that appears to be stalled in Congress for now.

**Old Business:**

**Bylaws (Marian Bliss):** Our Danville-Alamo Branch Bylaws have been approved by Carla Pancheco and will be maintained with the board meeting minutes by the secretary. Policies and Procedures are currently under review by the national and state offices. Once they are completed, we will review our branch P&Ps.

**Scholarship (Tena Gallagher):** The Holiday Home Tour is scheduled for December 12 and 13. Two houses have withdrawn and currently we have only three houses. The meeting was thrown open for suggestions.

**Tech Trek (Bev Nidick):** We are planning to send six girls to Trek Tech this year.

**New Business:**

**Evening Meeting Hours:** After discussion, it was decided to convene our evening meetings at 6:30 rather than 6:00, except for the February 17 Joint Dinner Meeting with Delta Kappa Gamma and Pleasant Hill AAUW which will remain at 6:00.

**Other items:**

- **Business Card:** Still under consideration.
- **Future meetings:**

	January 9	April 3
November 7	February 6	May 1
December 5	March 6	June 5

The October 3 meeting was adjourned at noon.

**Next Board Meeting:** November 7.

**Time and Location:** 9:15 at the Shadow Hills Cabaña, 1001 El Capitan Drive, Danville.

Respectfully submitted,

Dora-Thea Porter  
Secretary