

MINUTES
AAUW ST. GEORGE BRANCH BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, JULY 10, 2026
VIA ZOOM
10 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS – NEW BOARD MEMBERS- Pat Dalpiaz

ROLE CALL FOR QUORUM- Denise Pare, Secretary

Present: Pat Dalpiaz, Susan Harrington, Susan Ertel, Margaret Abramshe, Jaime Shaw, Susan Spivey, Kerry Burt, Christine Bennett, Karen Goodfellow

Excused: Peggy Schneider

APPROVAL/VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE-Susan Ertel, Parliamentarian

Nominees – Susan Ertel, Jaime Shaw, Kerry Burt, Pat Dalpiaz

Margaret made a motion that Kerry be an advisor to the Executive Committee and not have voting privileges. To change that the Board would have to revise the by-laws. The Board will pursue the necessary change. Karen G. seconded the motion. This included Susan E, Pat D and Jaime S as the Executive board. Motion carried; with one abstain and one no vote.

APPROVAL OF VISION/GOAL FOR 2026-27-PAT DALPIAZ

HELPING OTHERS - PROMOTE EQUITY, EDUCATION, AND DEVELOPMENT
OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS TO REALIZE THEIR FULL
POTENTIAL AND COOPERATE WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS HAVING
MUTUAL INTERESTS.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR MINUTES APPROVAL – MAY 18, 2025

Motion: Margaret A made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Susan E. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PROGRAMMING PROGRESS – JAIME SHAW & PAT DALPIAZ

- A. Location – Contract signed/incl Sept 14 with Hilton 1st Monday of the month
- B. Luncheon Monday Sept 14, 2026 added back in.
- C. September Luncheon Update – Political Engagement Panel (League of Women Voters, Utah Women Run, and Mormon Women for Ethical Government will be on the panel. The timing is perfect as general voting takes place after that.
- D. October 5th Luncheon Meeting – Speaker Meghan Kissel, AAUW Sr Director of Policy & Member Advocacy
 - a. Also, a meeting with the Board of Directors will be planned as a part of her visit the Sunday before the Luncheon on Monday.

MEETING LOCATION FOR BOARD MEETINGS – PAT DALPIAZ

- A. Legacy Asst Living on Dixie Drive – no charge -3rd Monday of the month
- B. Board meeting including Team Leaders – Second Week of September Legacy Asst Living. More info to follow.

FINANCE-Susan Harrington

Susan Harrington (Training in Progress) Susan is looking for someone in our membership or outside of it, to help with Quick Books. Call her at 435-673-0187 if you can help.

Statement of Activity and June Profit and Loss (Attached) was Shared with the Board prior to this meeting. **Motion:** Susan Harrington made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented. Denise seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE – Susan Spivey

We are considering a Blue Iris reception to view AAUW Archives at the Utah Tech Library. Hopefully we will have it set for some time in January 2027. It will be the portion of “Going after Giving”. The Giving Goal is \$19,810 to mark our 45th year anniversary as a AAUW Branch. Also, we are thinking of a fundraiser idea referencing the Sapphire Event (i.e. Mini-Gala in the Spring). **Action:** Pat will coordinate with Susan Spivey for a possible Saturday event fundraiser with a notable speaker that will draw an outside crowd.

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE – Pat Dalpiaz for Dana Naylor

We had 18 scholarship applicants and 8 were approved for a Master’s Degree in the following categories for a total of \$20,000:

-4 for marriage and family therapy; 2 for occupational therapy; 1 for educational leadership and 1 for a Master in of Fine Arts

Mentoring will be tied in with these students as all have requested a mentor from AAUW to help them.

Action: The new Mentor Chair Julie Floyd will coordinate with the Scholarship Chair Meredith Olsen. Dana Naylor will coordinate with them.

In addition, we also funded “Tech Moms” who received a scholarship valued at \$4000 approved by the previous Board. Tech Moms presented at one of our luncheons and are a like- minded organization with mutual interests in educating women about computers. It is a 9-week course and helps Moms understand and teach their kids technology.

Action: Accountability for the monies already issued to Tech Moms will be coordinated by our new Scholarship Chair Meredith Olsen over the next year. Our thanks to Dana Naylor for a job well done.

A special note: Over the past 11 years we have given 274 scholarships for a total of \$343,600

COMPUTER WEB CONVERSION to YAY TECHNOLOGIES – Margaret A.

Margaret shared our AAUW Branch was paying our current provider HFB \$3000 a year for their services and now we will be paying YAY approximately \$800 a year. The new website will be streamlined and less complicated. She shared her computer screen to those on the Zoom call demonstrating some of the information provided in a more simplistic form. Christine Bennett asked about training for the membership to help all be familiar with the new site.

Action: Margaret will figure out the best way to teach our members how to use the new website and our Board is to contact Margaret to schedule a more in-depth session with her. She extended appreciation to Peggy Schneider, Jeris Johnson and Sandy Ghio for all their help with Finance during this transition.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next Board meeting will be announced at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Pare, Secretary