

**AAUW Northville-Nov
General Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2020
Virtual Meeting due to COVID 19**

Present: Members of AAUWNN and guests for a total of 34 participants

Call to Order: Vice President of Programs Patty Domin called the meeting to order at 6:57 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Patty Domin introduced Rachel Liu Martindale, founder and owner of the Milk and Honey Bakery in Ann Arbor, who shared her journey from leaving a job in the corporate world to following her passions for baking and philanthropic and community work. Ms. Martindale demonstrated her recipe for scones while members baked along via Zoom. In response to member interest in supporting her work, related materials will be provided for distribution to the membership.

Minutes: Patty Domin pronounced the minutes for the general membership meeting of October 13, 2020, approved and to be placed on file by President Jane Hecker.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce Murdock presented the following financial information:

- Beginning balance: \$13,175.46 as of 10/31/2020
- Ending balance: \$13016.54 as of 10/31/2020
- The Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan is showing the market value of our account to be \$118,667.69 as of 9/30/2020, which is the most recent update

Programs: Patty Domin and Val Gagnon have planned holiday festivities for our December meeting. See the December newsletter for more information. January, February and March luncheon meetings will be virtual.

Membership: Corinne Vincent spoke about the advantage of virtual meetings bringing people from across the country together and the importance of determining how we can use virtual outreach for community engagement.

Financial Development: Mary Ann MacLaren deferred to Karen Zyczynski who said the Fashion Show Committee has made a recommendation to Financial Development to postpone MFDSL 2021 until 2022 because of COVID 19. Mary Ann added that this will be discussed at the next Financial Development meeting and their recommendation sent to the Board. The Board's decision will be in the December newsletter.

Communication: Mary Ann MacLaren reminded members to submit December newsletter items by November 20. She also reminded members to reference the Zoom information sheet, sent in an earlier email, when using Zoom with different devices. It was suggested that it might be helpful to practice with the camera prior to meeting.

Public Policy: Karen Zyczynski thanked members who helped to facilitate the voting process on November 3rd and reminded anyone who did so to send her an email so they can be highlighted in the December newsletter. Jan Wargo and Mary Ann MacLaren counted absentee ballots. Patty Domin was a runner who drove absentee ballots that were mistakenly dropped in Plymouth as far as past Lansing. Karen pointed out that AAUWNN member Gwen Markham was re-elected as County Commissioner from Novi and former member Kelly Breen was elected State Representative from Novi, South Lyon, Lyon Township and Walled Lake. Karen reminded us that it is part of our purpose to help elect more women to public office.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2020, at 6:45 p.m. via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned: 8:12 p.m.

Submitted: Mary Arnold, Secretary