

Tar Heel Branch Conference Call/Notes
March 23, 2016 8:00 pm

Present:

Diane Schneider
Lill Van Order
Virginia Adamson
Christi Whitworth
Joanne Hill
Karla Atkinson (recorder)
Diana Gray (guest)

Comments on THB Survey: Virginia Adamson

Virginia reported that to date 37 surveys have been completed and returned. An additional 5 surveys have been partially completed (and could be fully completed before the return survey deadline.)

The first survey link to all 92 THB members was personalized. Two additional reminders, sent to THB members who had not yet responded to the survey, yielded more responses.

The findings from the survey result were summarized and sent to THB board members shortly before this meeting. A few keys findings: the majority of the respondents were 55+ years old; email was the preferred means of communication among branch members; responses to the open ended questions were broad. The board decided to keep the survey "on hold" to avoid paying a fee for future use.

The attached PDF is a report of those summary findings which were sent to board members before this conference call.

Nominating Committee Report: Christi Whitworth

Working with committee members Diane Schneider and Grace Knechtel, Christi reported that the following members have agreed to hold office and serve on the THB Board of Directors:

Lill VanOrder: Co President
Joann Hill: Co President
Diana Gray: Treasurer
Jacquelin Heath (at-large)
Diane Schneider (at-large)
Christie Whitworth (at-large)
Karla Atkinson (at-large)
Virginia Adamson (at-large)

This number fulfills the requirement for a full slate of candidates. However, Christi is expecting to hear back from two other potential at-large board candidates whose responses, if positive, would bring the number of at-large board members to the maximum of 7 members.

Any new THB members will be eligible to vote once they have paid their dues to the treasurer who will inform Adamson of these new members before the ballots are sent to the membership.

Virginia Adamson will prepare and send digital ballots to all THB members after April 2, when Nominating Committee presents its report at our annual meeting.

Annual Branch Meeting: Lill Van Order and Joanne Hill

The annual meeting of the Tar Heel Branch will be held in conjunction with the 2016 statewide meeting of AAUW North Carolina at the Sheraton Hotel in Chapel Hill. The THB annual meeting will be held on Saturday, April 2, beginning at 7:45am. The exact location has yet to be determined. Lill will check with Jeanne D'Addario and/or Sandra McLaurin on meeting space available at that time. She will let Karla know the exact location; Karla will make a simple flyer and email the flyer to all THB members.

The greatest concern with meeting space is noise, disturbance, interruption, etc. which is likely if breakfast is served in the same room set as our annual meeting.

Annual Meeting Agenda

Welcome: Lill Van Order and Joanne Hill

Treasurer's Report: Nancy Shoemaker

Report from the Nominating Committee: Grace Knechtel

Presentation of Findings from 2016 THB Survey: Virginia Adamson

Discussion of Survey Findings