

**AAUW Bennington Branch**  
**Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting**  
June 22, 2024, at Old First Barn, Bennington, VT

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**Present:** Approximately 23 members

**Call to Order and Approval of Minutes**

President Suzanne Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order at 12:28 p.m. Kirkpatrick summarized the minutes from the June 17, 2023, annual meeting, which are posted on the Bennington AAUW website. Judy Murphy moved, Kathy Wagenknecht seconded that the minutes be approved; motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Jan Day reported that as of June 22 the balance in the checking account was \$10,200. Allowing for reserves, we have \$6,000 available for scholarships and \$1,750 for operating expenses. Last fall and this spring we gave \$2,050 in scholarships to CCV nontraditional women students. We paid \$665 in operating expenses, including facility rentals, programming, and Zoom fees. Judy Murphy donated just under \$3,000 to the scholarship fund, monies given her in lieu of presents to celebrate her 90th birthday.

**Changes**

Althea Church is the new Membership chair, replacing Norma McShane. This means the Hospitality committee needs a new head.

Mary Feidner and Madeline Kennedy, after many years of service, are stepping down from overseeing, respectively, Silent Angels and the theater fund-raiser.

These vacancies leave opportunities for service. These jobs need not be done by a single person; tasks can be divided.

The scholarship program has been revised to award one (1) scholarship of \$1,000 for the fall semester to a woman at least 25 years old who is a resident of Bennington County. Details can be found in the June newsletter.

**Adjournment**

Wagenknecht moved, Mary Elizabeth Groupé seconded that the meeting be adjourned; motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Fronia Simpson  
Secretary