

American Association of University Women



Bulletin 134 of the Cedar Rapids AAUW Branch

## *POTLUCK-SOCIAL*

**Where? Sue Jorgensen's Home  
1517 Whitter's Way N.W.**

**Date? September 24th**

**Time? 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Everyone bring a salad, fruit, appetizer or other finger food.  
Enjoy meeting new members and renewing friendships.**

**RSVP to Sue: 319-360-8757 or [ejorg04@gmail.com](mailto:ejorg04@gmail.com)**

### *A Message from Cedar Rapids Branch President Renee Penafver*

Please join me and the new board for food, fun and laughs at Sue Jorgensen's home on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. We are very excited to meet you, discuss our new ideas and get your feedback on ways to improve our plans for the future. This is going to be a very exciting year and we look forward to sharing this year with you.

Time for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Open Minds, Open Doors" STEM Conference!!

October 4: Volunteers are needed to assemble the packets for students and pack a box for each school. Meet at the AEA at 10:00. Confirm that you will help by calling Sue: 319-360-8757.

October 10: Conference Day! Contact Susie Green at the AEA to volunteer and get your assignment. [sgreen@gwaea.org](mailto:sgreen@gwaea.org) All members are invited to come to the complimentary luncheon on the 10<sup>th</sup> also!

## **Summary of Cedar Rapids Branch Board Meetings**

**July 1, 2019** Attended: Jennifer McNabb, Carol Hills, Zaire Sylvia, Linda Topinka, Carletta Knox Seymour, Lindsay Glynn Absent: Renee Penalver, Julie Mitchell, Sarah Swayze

\*Carletta Knox Seymour resided. President Renee Penalver is visiting family in CA.

\*Jennifer McNabb reported that an application of a \$10,000 grant for a Title IX conference was submitted to the Iowa Women's Foundation.

\*Funding for scholarships for girls to attend College for Kids was discussed and put on hold until a later time.

\*Our branch will have a booth at the Latino Fest on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

\*Public Policy: Linda Topinka and Zaire Sylvia spoke to the proposed study for reparations for black and people of color.

\*Carletta reported that membership dues should be enough to financially sustain the branch. Fundraising may be necessary for projects.

**August 5, 2019** Attended: Renee Penalver (Pres), Sarah Swayze (Sec), Carletta Knox Seymour (Past Pres), Zaire Silva (Prog), Lindsay Glynn (Fin), Julie Michell (Memb), Chrissy Logan (guest), Carol Hills (Charitable Funds) Absent: Jennifer McNabb, Linda Topinka

\*Sarah Swayze was appointed to keep individual discussions to 5 minutes.

\*Schedule for bd meetings: 8/3, 9/5 (9:00-11:00), 11/2(9:00-11:00), 12/7 (11:00-1:00)

\*Opening Position: newsletter editor

\*Needed: Committee to revise By-Laws

\*Discussion about a budget for the current year

\*Renee met with Liz Mathes and Rob Hoff

\*A Coe student will intern under the supervision of Lindsay and Zaire to design t-shirts and work on the Latino Fest

\*About 30 students are interested in joining a Coe College Student AAUW Affiliate Branch and work on the charter has begun.

\*Need volunteers for hosting the Latino Fest booth. Renee will submit the \$25 receipt for the booth fee.

\*How to raise money to reimburse members to attend conferences was discussed.

\*The by-laws state that an annual budget be adopted at the fall meeting.

\*Proposed Programs for 2019-2020 are: Wine and Design (painting), Health Care, Waypoint, Wrapping for a Cause, Back to School Drive, African American Museum, Celebrate Women (tea event), Jazzercise Class, End-of-Year Celebration

\*Report of Charitable Funds balance \$1218.73.

