



CHiPS Committee Meeting  
May 24, 2017  
Kappy's Place @ 1:00

## MINUTES

Present: Peggy Shippen, Carene Davis-Stitt, Kappy Eaton, Carol Miller, Carol Hildebrand, Cindy Parker, Charlotte Brill

**Note:** Marian will no longer be attending CHiPS Meetings but we'll keep her "in the loop" with Minutes. We'll also be regularly inviting new member Charleen Justice.

- I. CHiPS Treasurer's Report – Carol Miller & Peggy Shippen. **Total Donations = \$584. Total Expenditures = \$100** (for CHiPS flyers). **Current balance for CHiPS Donations is \$484.**

Cindy will make sure these figures are reconciled with Stephanie's (Branch Treasurer's) records in the Eugene-Lane Branch account under CHiPS donations. Future donations will be sent to, located as a separate line item and kept in the AAUW-Oregon Funds account. **Peggy will make a yearly CHiPS Treasurer's Report to the Committee and Board.**

- II. Discussion of 2016-17 CHiPS Activities
  - a. **Willamette High School.** Committee agreed Willamette High School made a worthwhile effort preparing for the Mock Trial Program even tho' they chose not participate as their teacher felt they were not ready. Committee agreed unanimously to give \$250 to the Classroom Law Project for the 2017-18 registration fee as long as 50% of the Mock Trial Team are girls, provide up to \$25 per female student for proper attire (Charlotte Brill will take the girls clothes "shopping" at used clothing store) and other miscellaneous expenses for transportation if needed, with prior approval. Peggy will contact the teachers at Willamette High School and Barbara Rost at the Classroom Law Project. **Peggy will inform WHS.**
  - b. **4J CEC Seminar Series.** Carol, Carene and Cindy reported that it seemed like only elementary school teachers. We familiarized them with our CHiPS and the editorial piece Peggy wrote and AAUW. **Peggy will contact Carissa Boyce to see if there might be another venue where the CHiPS program and table could be repeated to reach middle and high school teachers.**

On the upside - Necole Baurer said the YMCA is going to push hard this fall to promote the Youth and Government Program. Baurer said she will contact us if Lane County school needs financial support.

Carol M. mentioned that she happened to bring copies of a previous branch Reader's Theatre script: *The Suffragettes*. The teachers took all of them. We should think of a way to share these with teachers.

- c. **South Eugene High School.** The Feminist Union (club!) responded positively to Peggy's presentation about the Human Rights job, including a description of the protected classes, relevant cases, qualifications and salaries and benefits. Maya Corral expressed interest in having the FU participate in a relevant activity with our branch. **The Committee asked for update on how the tampon dispenser situation was resolved. Peggy will email Maya.**
  - d. **Civics Legislation.** HB2219 Enacted!! This Bill encourages public and charter schools to provide students courses in civics. Trish Garner, AAUW-Oregon Public Policy Chair testified this winter in favor of the Bill – using data provided from our CHiPS Committee. Because of our efforts, the Bill made it out of Committee for the first time in many years of it being there and passed the House and Senate. It has no teeth in it because that would require more school funding. But this was progress and a feather in our CHiPS hat! Follow the Bill on <https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017R1>
- III. Discussion of 2017-18 CHiPS Activities
- a. **Continue:** Willamette High School funding of Mock Trial Team; keeping in contact with South Eugene High School Feminist Union and offering CHiPS table for Social Studies Inservice @ 4J.
  - b. **100h Anniversary of The Women's Vote - Celebration:** The branch is in the process of planning activities with the LWV and other women's organizations in the community to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Women's Vote. **One activity is to organize a parade.** The branch will ask the SEHS Feminist Union and Willamette High School Mock Trial team to join us in the parade.  
  
Carol Miller suggested we coordinate a re-enactment of the Reader's Theater *Suffragette* script. We could reach out to SEHS Feminist Union and Willamette High School Mock Trial girls. If Charleen Justice gets a UO Affiliate Branch going at UO, they too could be asked to participate. This would be an opportunity for the young high school women to meet the UO women. **Peggy will get a copy of the scripts from UO Archives.**
  - c. Peggy will be sending Charleen info on the *Start Smart* training program – job interviewing and salary negotiations for a UO AAUW Affiliate Branch. SEHS Feminist Union might also be interested in participating in this.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Peggy Shippen, CHIPS Chair