



Standing Rules

Meetings

Regular meetings are held the second week of the month in September, October, November, December, February, March and May. Other meetings and special events may be called, as needed, by the Board. There is no meeting in the month the State Convention is held, which is normally April. Meetings may be held in-person or by electronic means.

Regular meetings are conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

Board Meetings

There are four Board meetings during the membership year: June, September, January and April. Board meetings are open to all interested members of the Branch. Board meetings may be held in person, by conference call, or by electronic means.

Programs

Programs should align with official AAUW policy statements and stated national priorities. The May meeting is the Annual Business Meeting.

Dues

To be a member in good standing at national, state, and local level, membership dues are payable prior to June 30th; members in arrears by July 31st, but can be reinstated if dues are paid within one year. National dues are \$59.00 for regular members, \$17.00 for student members. State dues are \$10.00 for regular members, \$1 for student members. Little Rock Branch dues are \$10 for regular members, \$1 for Student or Associate members. Life Members pay only state and branch dues. 50+ year members pay no dues.

Nominations and Elections

The Nominating Committee is appointed according to Article V, Section 1 of the bylaws. The Nominating Committee presents a slate of officers at either the December or February meeting, depending on the Branch's schedule of meetings. Officers may be elected by electronic voting.

Financial Administration

The fiscal year is July 1 through June 30.

Branch Budget: The annual budget of the branch shall be presented and adopted at the annual meeting in May. It may be approved by electronic voting.

No member may assume any indebtedness on behalf of AAUW Little Rock Branch in excess of \$25 (twenty-five dollars) over amounts provided for in the budget except by a recommendation of the Board of Directors.

National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)

If the Branch raises sufficient funds through dedicated NCCWSL fundraising activities and donations, AAUW LR will send one or more college students to the National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL). The Branch provides airfare, ground

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transportation, incidental expenses, and conference registration, if the candidate applies by the early bird deadline and is not awarded a full or partial national scholarship.

To be eligible, applicants must be enrolled and attending a college in Arkansas and 18 years of age.

Candidates are recruited and selected by the AAUW LR Board. Applicants will complete a five-part Branch Application:

- (1) A brief statement on “Why I would like to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).;”
- (2) A brief statement on “How I plan to share the Information and experience gained at NCCWSL”;
- (3) Submit two Letters of Recommendation from (for instance) Faculty, Community Leaders and/or AAUW Members;
- (4) Make themselves available for a personal interview with the AAUW Board; and
- (5) Attend an AAUW LR event or meeting.

Once selected, the applicant(s) must apply for a national scholarship. After attending the conference, NCCWSL graduates must make a presentation at one of the AAUW events the following fall.