

**AAGC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
Saturday, March 2, 2019  
Buchner Hall, Alumnae/i House

**MINUTES**

**Welcome & Introductions**  
**President, AAGC**

**Kara Bundy '02,**

Kara welcomed everyone to her last meeting as AAGC President. She will remain involved and she looks forward to seeing everyone at the AAGC Annual Meeting on May 4. She also announced the AAGC retreat will be on Saturday, July 13, for what will be a full and productive day. She reported that the job description has been posted for the new president position, and the search is now in its confidential phase. She, Jen, Jocelyn Reader, and Kim Van Newkirk Shaffir are on the committee, working with Isaacson-Miller to find the right fit.

**Annual Giving Liaison Report**

**Carol Roth '70**

So far this fiscal year, 60% (or 21 members) of the AAGC board and committees have given. This time last year, \$9,473 had been donated to Goucher by the AAGC board and committee members. Thus far this year the board is at \$12,588 in donations – congrats! The entirety of last year, the AAGC board donated \$14,977 to Goucher. It would be great to beat that total this year by getting to the \$15,000 mark as a board by June 30. \$9,810 of the \$12,588 (or 78% of total AAGC dollars donated – thank you!) has gone to the Greater Goucher Fund. We encourage AAGC members, if designating their gifts elsewhere on campus, to also consider a split gift with the GGF, which is truly the engine that drives everything on campus. We will hold another Goucher Challenge on Friday, April 26. We will be alerting the community to the challenge in advance, and this year it is going to be more exciting than ever with different constituent groups having their own challenges along with 'surprise' challenges and day-long social-media activities. As we get closer, we will be in touch with the AAGC about how they can help us spread the word and rally gifts from their peers on that day.

**Goucher Student Government**  
**Co-Presidents, GSG;**

**Sam Anderson '21 and Noah Block '21**  
**Ridwan Lawal, President, Umoja**

The main focus of the Goucher Student Government is student engagement. There was a 40% voter turnout, with 22 candidates vying for 19 positions in the last election, which is up from last year. Post-election, the GSG is working to build a supportive atmosphere for campus organizing so that all years of students may find the opportunity to feel engaged. Regarding the hate crimes of fall 2018, Ridwan expressed that there is a lack of energy among the students as a result. Kara asked how we may help. How do we move forward? The students suggested more counseling services, and also coming together as a community for reflection.

**Goucher Prison Education Partnership****Amy Roza, Director**

Amy noted that Goucher's GPEP program works well because it acts and serves as an extension of the college. The program started in 2012 with 15 students. There are now 130 students coming from both the men's and women's prisons. There is no charge for the students to participate – 75% of funding comes from private and individual donors, and 25% comes from federal grants. Goucher professors volunteer to teach at the prisons to students, who work full-time in addition to attending classes. GPEP also offers college-prep courses for GED. It costs approximately \$6K per year to educate a Goucher student in prison. Costs to do this are kept low thanks to in-kind and volunteer contributions, and low overhead. Students come mainly from the Baltimore City and Washington D.C. regions, with a smaller percentage throughout the state of Maryland. Attending with Amy was a 40 year old student named William, along with his proud mother. William attended GPEP classes at the Jessup facility, and upon release after 20 years, is now a student on the Goucher campus. He provided a very moving description of the positive impacts that GPEP has had on him by providing a solid foundation along with education credentials that now allow him to have respect for himself and the world around him. His mother gratefully agreed.

**Wrap Up and Acknowledgment of AAGC Service****Kara Bundy '02,  
Pres., AAGC**

Kara thanked everyone for attending and for their dedication and service throughout the year. She noted the dates for the upcoming AAGC events. The meeting adjourned.

**AAGC Annual Meeting**

Saturday, May 4, 2019

During Alumnae/i Weekend, May 3-5, 2019

**AAGC Retreat**

Saturday, July 13, 2019

This will be an all-day retreat on campus

More details to come in May