

# **PUBLIC POLICY 2020-2021**

## **ACTION/COMMUNICATION PLAN**

**Goal: *The advancement of equity for Oregon's women and girls through advocacy, legislative participation, and Branch public policy actions***

### **State-wide Action Plan:**

#### Legislative Priorities:

1. Strengthening laws prohibiting age discrimination in the workplace.
2. Requiring colleges, universities, and community colleges to obtain information about parental status regarding its students.
3. Promoting investments in high quality early childcare and education.
4. Providing high quality, lower cost prescription drug and health care options.
5. Working towards a mitigation of climate change and promoting a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment.
6. Ensuring full access to voting rights.
7. Promoting the inclusion of women on corporate Boards of Directors.
8. Other Issues that the Committee has voted (by a majority) to support or oppose.

#### Branch Communications:

1. The Chair shall periodically advise the membership of the progress of legislative priorities
2. and other public policy matters.
3. The Chair shall schedule and chair regular Public Policy Committee meetings.
4. The Public Policy Committee shall:
  - (a) communicate on a regular basis with local Branches with the objectives of
    - i. increasing public policy engagement in Branches,
    - ii. sponsoring programs/projects designed to communicate the Equal Pay Act of 2017 to their respective communities, and
    - iii. engage in bipartisan get-out-the vote efforts,
  - (b) ensure that positions taken by Branches conform with National and State Public Policy guidelines,
  - (c) facilitate communication of National AAUW Public Policy information to Branches,
  - (d) strategize approaches and work with other organizations,
  - (e) determine how to most effectively communicate with legislators and other public officials, including the provision of written and in-person testimonies to legislators and other public officials.

#### Lobby Day

1. The Chair shall supervise a Lobby Day to take place in Salem.