AAUW SUSSEX COUNTY BRANCH REPORT SCCC \$TART \$MART WORK SHOP EVENT APRIL 9TH & APRIL 16TH 2015



AAUW \$tart \$mart workshop was offered to students attending Sussex County Community College on Thursday, April 9 and April 16, 2015. This workshop was designed to give women the confidence and skills they need to earn a fair compensation in the workplace. Though the program was intended for college women, it was open to all students. Twenty-one were in attendance: students from the SCCC Business Club, staff members and one young man. Professors and staff were invited to review this new course that was part of the SCCC 2014 -2014 Student Handbook.

AAUW-NJ Barbara Williamson was AAUW-NJ's key presenter and facilitator of this student workshop. The AAUW Sussex County Branch \$tart \$mart Committee Chairs, Carol Holmelund and Margaret Anderson, attended.

The SCCC staff coordinator and Associate Director of Campus Life, Heidi Gregg and her staff reproduced the handouts; procured the room; provided the technical support for the presenters; published and posted campus flyers; and networked with SCCC's community outreach center - Project Self Sufficiency and other organizations which help women with career directions.

To plan the event, Margaret Anderson, Barbara Williamson, and Heidi Gregg joined the \$tart \$mart teleconference conducted by Dorrie Seaburg from AAUW National. AAUW Sussex County Branch Bylaws & Grant Application Chair, Carol Holmelund was instrumental in writing the grant application to receive an AAUW-NJ grant from its Charitable Trust

AAUW Sussex County Community Outreach Chair, Gail Swain was instrumental in connecting our branch with appropriate contacts at SCCC for this program.

Future prospectus - \$mart \$tart is one of several AAUW college campus programs. The success of this event can help market other great AAUW programs. AAUW-NJ Barbara Williams had suggested providing information on AAUW "Elect Her" as a future course offering for consideration by SCCC.