

**PROGRAM PRESENTER’S PACKET 2024-2025**

*Thank you for agreeing to be a program presenter. We hope you will find the experience interesting and satisfying. The attached pages will help you organize the process of recruiting and supporting a speaker. By using the timelines and suggestions, you can facilitate a good experience for both your speaker and yourself.*

*Your chairperson and I are available to answer any questions you may have along the way.*

Jan Mosman

Program Vice President

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Presenter’s Job

Overview

1) Familiarize yourself with the time line

**2) Contact your speaker as soon as you can – even if they will be speaking in May.**

3) Send your speaker the confirmation letter as soon as they agree to speak – even if your speaker’s date is in May. Include the information letter and the tech information letter

4) Using your information letter, fill out the **BULLETIN COPY FORM** and send a copy to your chair person by the deadline provided by them.

5) Check in with your speaker about 3 weeks before your session. Apply for the honorarium.

6) Greet your speaker on the day of. Give them the honorarium. Have a wonderful session

5) After you session, write a thank-you.

Now - how to do all this is in this packet:

**CHECKLIST/TIMELINE**

**Initial Contact with Prospective Speaker**

Phone or email prospective speaker **(*See page 4)***

### If prospect agrees, send confirmation letter or email immediately**(*p. 5-10)***

### Note deadline for bulletin notice, and prepare accordingly ***(p. 11)***

**Three weeks prior to program:**

Submit requisition for payment of honorarium ***(p. 15)***

Notify Susie Erickson whether or not speaker will be at lunch *(612-866-5720 or* [*serick1218@gmail.com*](mailto:serick1218@gmail.com)*).* Make sure you check with your speaker about dietary constraints.

Prepare your introduction – (2 minutes or less)

Make lunch reservations for you and your speaker: Check out the weekly zoom invitation email or

the weekly newsletter for the link. **Make sure your speaker knows that** **only their lunch is comped, but only their lunch. If they bring a guest, the guest will not be at the President’s table and will have to pay the lunch fee.**

Contact speaker to confirm details; determine if he/she has time constraints, highlight date, location, parking info. Reconfirm if speaker will be having lunch at the Gale (They get a free lunch)

**Two weeks prior to program**

Determine speaker’s audio visual needs ***(p. 6)***

**Program day: *(see page 6 for detailed recommendations)***

Check email/voicemail for last minute changes; bring speaker’s contact info to Gale

Check in with Guest Hostess before 9:30 and pay for your lunch. Also check in at the lunch check in table

Pick up honorarium in office

Meet speaker at front door, hang coat in front hall closet, proceed to President’s Hall, introduce to tech person

Have speaker sign Release form (copies at podium)

Remind speaker of time parameters; let him/her know that you will give 5 minute warning before Q & A and that you will move around hall with microphone for questions

Introduce speaker – 2 minutes max

Monitor Q & A time; **thank speaker when Q & A is over**

Present honorarium packet to speaker

**WRITE A THANK YOU NOTE** *(cards available in office)*

**INITIAL CONTACT WITH SPEAKER**

**Information to include in initial phone call/email:**

* You are member of Minneapolis Branch of the American Association of University Women, an organization that works to advance equity for women and girls.
* Invitation to speak to our group on (topic) on (date and time) at The Gale Mansion, 2115 Stevens Ave S, Mpls or virtually by zoom
* Talk is for 45 minutes; Q & A for 15 minutes
* Offer $200 honorarium (except to elected officials or judges)
* Welcome to stay (or come early) for luncheon if speaking at the Gale
* Give your name and contact information
* Make sure you have clearly told them what you want them to speak about.
* The speaker may invite guests, but they will have to pay for their lunch. ($25)

##### ***SAMPLE* SCRIPT** for initial email/phone contact**:**

Dear [insert name].

My name is [insert name]. I’m contacting you on behalf of the American Association of University Women (AAUW), Minneapolis branch, to invite you to speak to us on Monday, \_[date] at\_[time] . The topic we would like you to speak about is [insert topic name]. Although we hope you are able to present in person, if needs be, we are able to move your presentation to Zoom.

AAUW is a national, inclusive, nonpartisan, secular organization dedicated to advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research. You may wish to visit our website, <https://minneapolis-mn.aauw.net/> for more background about our organization.

As part of our commitment to lifelong learning, we meet each Monday to hear experts speak on a wide variety of subjects. Our [Insert committee name] has identified you as a highly knowledge speaker on the topic of [insert topic name] and we hope you will come to speak to us about it. We ask that you speak for about 45 minutes with an additional 15 minutes for Q&A.

The meeting location is the Gale Mansion at 2115 Stevens Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55404, which is directly across the park from the Minneapolis Institute of Art (MIA).

We are able to provide you with an honorarium of $200. This is not a measure of your expertise but rather of our gratitude. If your schedule permits, we invite you to join our President and others for lunch at the President’s table. Please note that your lunch will be comped but any guests you may bring – and we hope you do- will have to pay for their lunch. Lunches are $25. They will be seated with our members in the dining area.

Please let me know by phone or email whether you can accept this invitation. I’m happy to answer any questions you may have. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

[name][phone number][email address]

**ON THE NEXT FEW PAGES ARE**

**THE INFORMATION FORMS TO SEND TO SPEAKER**

**AS SOON**

**AS THEY AGREE TO SPEAK**

**They are:**

1. The CONFIRMATION LETTER (p.6)

2. The INFORMATION FORM for the speaker to fill out (p.7) Save this form.

2. TECH INFORMATION for speaker (p.8)

3. THE RELEASE TO BE RECORDED FORM. (P.9)

**For speakers coming to the Gale**: this form is only for information and need not be signed. They should have a chance to read it so send it to them. If they do sign it and return it, just bring it the day of and give to the tech people.

**For speakers who will be on zoom**: they need to sign the form and return by email to you. Give it either to the tech team or take it to the upstairs office.

4. LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS (p10)

***SAVE THE RETURNED INFORMATION FORM AND USE IT TO WRITE UP YOUR***

***BULLETIN COPY FORM***

**SAMPLE CONFIRMATION LETTER**

***\*IMPORTANT TIP: If sending by email, make subject line “AAUW Speaking Engagement on* (date) *”***

Thank you for agreeing to speak to the Minneapolis AAUW members on Monday, (date) at (time), on the topic of .

We meet in the Gale Mansion, 2115 Stevens Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55404. Again, we ask that you talk for about 45 minutes, followed by 15 minutes for Q and A. The audience will be approximately 80-100 members, including at the mansion and on zoom.

Again, we are able to offer you an honorarium of $200. In addition, we invite you to join us for lunch at the President’s table on that day if your schedule permits. Feel free to bring guests with you, but please note that they will need to pay for their lunch and will be sitting with members of our branch. We can confirm lunch as we get closer to the date.

We also have two other speakers that day and I invite you to (come/stay) to hear them. I will let you know who they are when the information becomes available. You are also invited to listen to the other speakers that day on zoom. I will be glad to provide you with the zoom link if you so choose.

I must write and submit an announcement of your talk for our bulletin. I am attaching a form for you to fill out that has your information that I will need for our bulletin write-up. I would appreciate it if you would fill it out and return it to me as soon as you are able. I am also including other information.

I am your contact person from AAUW. You may reach me at (include your contact information). In case of emergency, the AAUW office number is 612-870-1661.

I will wait for your completed Information Form.

We look forward to hearing your talk.

Thank you.

***(Your Name)***

**Include the Information Letter on the next page**

Information Letter For Speakers

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

2115 Stevens Avenue South

Minneapolis, MN

You are scheduled to speak at AAUW on Monday-\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_o’clock.

In order to write up your presentation for our bulletin, please complete this questionnaire and return the information by email to me***( your name)*** at (your email) by ***(put a date several weeks to be returned before your bulletin copy is due)*** or you could snail mail the form to me at ***(your address – if you are comfortable)***

Your Name and title

Email Address:

Contact phone number (for emergencies like snow cancellation):

Your address (in case we have to mail your honorarium to you)

Please include your preferred introduction:

Title of Presentation:

Brief description of presentation (50-60 words max):

\_\_\_\_I will be doing my presentation on zoom **OR**

\_\_\_\_I can do my presentation on zoom if needed (ex.snow storm or pandemic) but I plan to present at the Gale.

If you have any questions, please email me or call me at

Thank you.-

***(Your name, Committee Name, Email, Phone)***

***Your address***

**TECH INFORMATION FOR SPEAKER**

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**SPEAKERS:**

The following audio visual equipment is available for your use.

* Podium with microphone
* AAUW MacBook Pro computer with both Keynote and Microsoft Office PowerPoint software
* A mouse for use with the computer
* Projector and screen for use with our Mac computer
* Lavalier microphone
* Laser pointer
* Please let us know if you will be showing a video from the internet during your presentation as it requires additional audio setup.

### Speaker A/V Guidelines – if you are doing a PowerPoint or video presentation –

### 1.) On the day of your talk, please check with the techs on duty about setting up your presentation AS SOON AS YOU ARRIVE

##### **2.) ALWAYS BRING PRESENTATION ON A FLASH/JUMP DRIVE WITH YOU THE DAY OF YOUR PROGRAM.**

##### **IF YOU ARE ZOOMING, IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE EMAIL YOUR POWERPOINT TO THE AAUW COMPUTER AT** [**aauwminneapolis@gmail.com**](mailto:aauwminneapolis@gmail.com)

3.) Power Point or Keynote format is preferred.

4.) If you have a PowerPoint presentation, you will have to use our computer to show the PowerPoint. However, if your computer has notes that you want to use, there is room for you to set up your computer next to ours on which you can look at your notes.

5.) Please let your contact person know if you are NOT planning to speak behind the podium. If you are participating in a panel discussion or planning a performance, for example, your contact person needs to know.

6.) Also, if you are showing a video, please make sure it is embedded. This link can show you how to do this: <https://youtu.be/tagBMZDkPDk?si=VeR2szyUuwT_rUd3>

You will be asked if you are willing to sign the Release and License Form to permit the recording of your presentation when you come for members who are unable to be there in person.

The Permission to Record Form on the next page is to be sent to all

speakers to look at

However

Only those who are presenting on zoom have to sign and return the

form to you. You then send it on to the office at [aauwmpls@galemansion.com](mailto:aauwmpls@galemansion.com)

If your speaker signs this form and returns it to you, no worries. Just bring it to the tech team on the day of the talk.

Speakers who come to the Gale will be asked to sign the form

by the Tech Team right before they speak

**RELEASE FORM – PERMISSION TO RECORD AND USE**

**Oct 2025**

#### Program Title:

**Date/Time:**

Speaker gives permission and provides a license to AAUW Minneapolis Branch (AAUW) to record and use Speaker’s presentation (including any supplemental materials provided by Speaker) (Presentation) in the manner described below in any or all print and media forms, including but not limited to video, audio, and slides. Speaker further permits AAUW members access to the recorded Presentation by a link added to it in our member weekly newsletter for viewing by AAUW members and others that these members might invite to view it. In addition, Speaker gives permission and provides a license to AAUW to take and use any image of Presenter provided by Presenter or taken in connection with the Presentation (Likeness) for use by AAUW in its promotion, publicity, advertising or electronic publication.

The Presentation or any Likeness may be electronically accessed for up to two years or as determined by AAUW.

Speaker will not be compensated for the Presentation or any Likeness or the rights to use it or them other than through AAUW’s customary honorarium provided to eligible speakers. Signing this form does not guarantee that the Presentation or any Likeness will appear on the website or other location or be used in any manner by AAUW. The determination of whether the Presentation or any Likeness will be included on the AAUW website or other location and in what format is solely that of AAUW.

Speaker hereby releases AAUW from any and all claims and demands, of any kind and character, without condition or exception, arising because of its use of the Presentation or any Likeness. Speaker affirms that he/she has the permission of each and every author of any information contained in the Presentation or any Likeness, to the extent required by law for the purposes described in this Release, to use copyrighted materials within the Presentation or any Likeness.

For VALUE RECEIVED, Speaker hereby warrants that he/she has the right to execute this form, and affirms he/she is over twenty-one years of age.

If you are presenting on zoom, please fill in the info below and return to your contact person. If you are coming to the Gale to speak, you just need to review this form. We will have a copy for you to sign at the Gale.

Signature: Date:

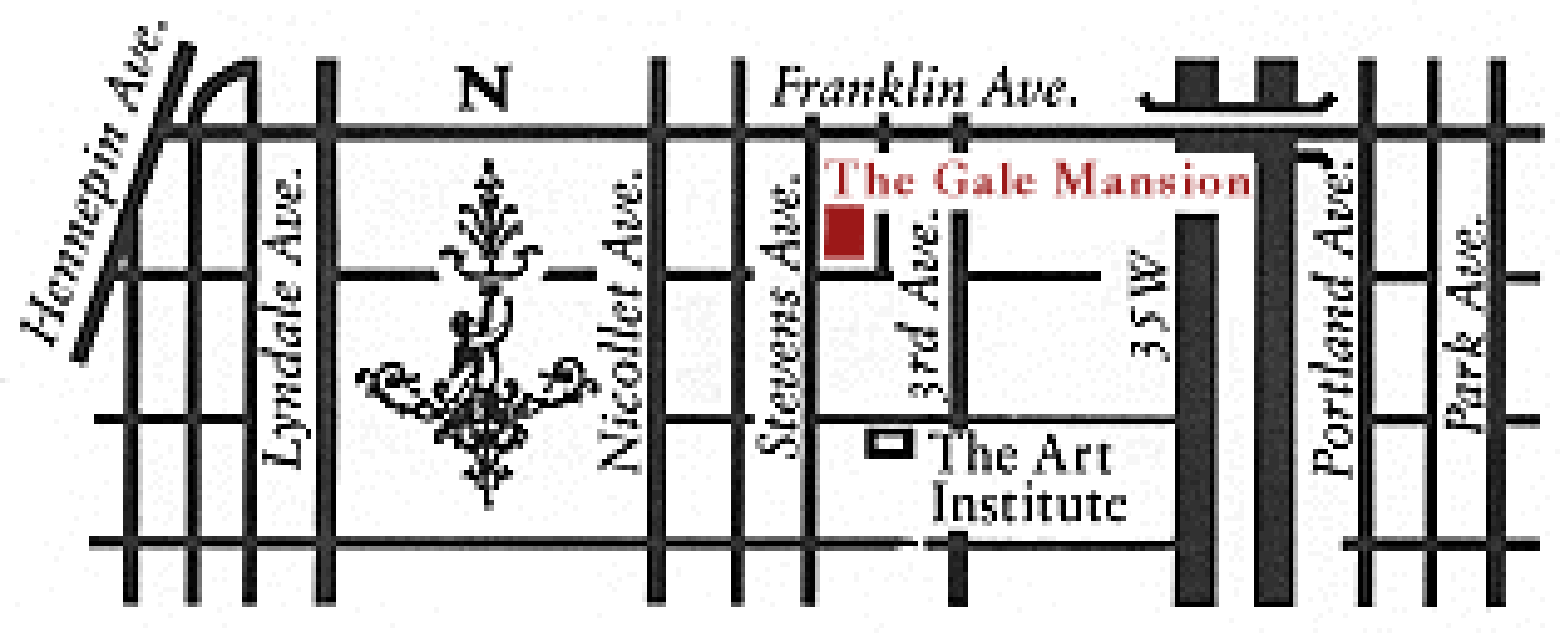
Print Name:

Address:

City: State:

**LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS**

The Gale Mansion, home of AAUW Minneapolis Branch, is located at **2115 Stevens Avenue**, just one block south of Franklin and two blocks east of Nicollet. It is across from Washburn-Fair Oaks Park, two blocks north of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Stevens Avenue is one-way heading north between 22nd Street and Franklin Avenue. Free on-street parking is available; AAUW speakers may park in the semi-circle driveway.



**35W from the North**

Follow signs for the 11th Avenue exit.

Turn left onto 11th Ave, proceed two blocks to Franklin Avenue Turn right onto Franklin Ave, proceed to 3rd Ave.

Turn left onto 3rd Ave, proceed to 22nd St,

Turn right onto 22nd St two blocks to Stevens Ave. Turn right onto Stevens.

#### I-94 from the North

Take the Lyndale Ave exit. Proceed south on Lyndale several blocks to Franklin Ave.

Turn left onto Franklin Ave, proceed to First Ave. Turn right onto First one block to 22nd St

Turn left onto 22nd St one block to Stevens Ave. Turn left onto Stevens.

#### I-94 from the East (St. Paul)

Take the 11th Street exit; proceed on 11th St to LaSalle Turn left onto LaSalle, proceed to 22nd St. (cont.) Turn left onto 22nd St to Stevens Ave.

Turn left onto Stevens.

#### I-394 from the West

Take the Dunwoody/Hennepin exit. Turn right on Lyndale Ave Proceed south on Lyndale several blocks to Franklin Ave.

Turn left onto Franklin Ave, proceed to First Ave. Turn right onto First one block to 22nd St

Turn left onto 22nd St one block to Stevens Ave. Turn left onto Stevens.

#### 35W from the South

Take 31st/Lake St exit. Proceed to Lake St. Turn left and go two blocks to 1st Ave.

Turn right; proceed to 22nd St.

Turn right onto 22nd one block to Stevens Ave. Turn left onto Stevens



On the next page is the Bulletin Copy form.

**USE THE BULLETIN COPY FORM**

to turn your bulletin write up into your topic chair

Save a copy for yourself

## Fill out the bulletin copy form. Then copy it and return to those listed below by the **DEADLINE set by your topic chair**

Remember :

1)**You fill in the bulletin copy form.**

**2)Send the bulletin copy form to your chair by the date required**

**3)The chair looks over your copy and makes sure you filled in all the info. And if your summary was not between 50-60 words, your chair may need to rewrite it or return it to you to rewrite the summary - until everything is complete.**

**4)The chair sends the corrected bulletin copy form to the Program Chair**

**5)The Program Chair again checks for errors and when complete, the Program Chair sends it on to the Bulletin Editor.**

**Bulletin Copy Form**

**Please Fill Out This Form and Return to your topic chair**

## Fill out this form. Then copy it and return to those listed below by these **DEADLINE DATES**

**June 24th, 2024** for talks in September, October, November, December,

**Nov 1, 2024** for talks in January, February, March, April, May

**Chairs – send the final copy to the Program Chair July 1 or Nov 4th respectively**

### Date, and Time:

AAUW Program Committee :

Title of this Program:

Speaker’s Name and Title

Speaker’s Email:

Speaker’s Contact #:

Speaker’s Web site (if applicable)

Will this be a zoom presentation?

Speaker agreed to Zoom presentation if needed. ( Y or N )

Program Description: Description should be approximately **50-60 words.** Refer to previous bulletins for examples. Describe presentation topic. Arouse interest and curiosity!

Presenter Name:( Your Name)

Your Phone:

Your E-mail:

**Send a copy to your topic chair by the date they ask for**:

**Email preferred**

**KEEP A COPY FOR YOURSELF**

THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR SESSION,

DO A QUICK CHECK-IN WITH YOUR SPEAKER.

HERE IS A **SAMPLE** OF AN EMAIL YOU MIGHT SEND

Dear (Speaker Name):

I look forward to seeing you Monday at AAUW (MVUUF).  I am just checking to see if you might have any last minute questions and if you do, please let me know and I will do my best to answer you.  
When you arrive, just ask for me and I will come directly to greet you.

Some quick reminders,

1) The address for the AAUW Minneapolis Branch is 2115 Stevens Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404. 2) You are speaking at (time) and we ask that you be there 15 minutes before so we can take care of any tech needs.

3) My phone number is ( ).

4) After my introduction, you will have up to 45 minutes for your presentation followed by a 15 minute Q&A.

5) And please remember, if you are doing a power point presentation, bring it to the Gale on a flash drive. You will need to use our computers.

6) Park in the semi-circle driveway to the mansion on 2nd Ave. We just ask that you pull forward so that others can park behind you.

7) I am also attaching a Release Form. We record our sessions to make them accessible to our members who may have been unable to attend for the day. Please read through this. We will ask you to sign a copy of this form when you come to the Gale if you allow us to record you. If you are presenting by zoom, please fill out this form and return.

8) If you are showing a power point, please remember to **bring a copy of it on a flash drive**.

If you are showing a video, please make sure it is embedded. This link can show you how to do this: <https://youtu.be/tagBMZDkPDk?si=VeR2szyUuwT_rUd3>

9) please let me know if you would like to join us for lunch and if you will be bringing guests for lunch as I need to make reservations for you and your guests. Please remember that you will do not need to pay for your lunch but your guests will have to. Lunches are $25. Also, you will be sitting at the President’s table but your guests will be accompanied to lunch with selected AAUW members.

We are look forward to your presentation.

Sincerely,

LUNCH PROCEDURE

1.Make a lunch reservation for you and also your speaker. If your speaker is bringing any guests, make lunch reservations for them as well

2. Please note: AAUW will pay for your speaker(s). Any guests the speaker brings will have to pay for themselves. YOU ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING FOR THE SPEAKER’S GUESTS.

Also note that although the speaker will sit at the President’s table with you, guests will sit with other members in the regular dining areas.

If your speaker has guests, ask one or two members of your committee (or anyone else you would like) to take the guests to the table and sit with them.

You might want to reserve a table in the Founder’s room for your guest and the member (s) who is accompanying them to sit with them. Do this in the morning when you pay for your lunch. That way, there will be no problem finding a seat for them.

3. On the day of, in the morning, check in for your lunch, your speaker’s lunch and any guests. Also check in (right in front of the President’s dining room) to let those taking care of the President’s table know that you and your speaker are actually there.😊

Make sure if your speaker is bringing guests, that you line up 1 or 2 members to accompany them to lunch. Be sure to reserve a table.

Tips for the Day of the talk

1. If you requested the honorarium for your speaker earlier, go upstairs to the AAUW office to get the check to give to your speaker.
2. Pay for your lunch and check in with Susie Erickson at end of hall if your speaker is coming to lunch.
3. Meet your speaker at the front door
4. Introduce your speaker to the tech team and have your speaker sign the Request to Record paper if they have not done so. Take the signed form up to the office. If you need a form, the tech committee has a copy for your speaker to sign.
5. Have your speaker be on stage before you introduce her or him.
6. Remind your speaker that their talk is for 45 minutes and that you will give them a 5 minute warning at 40 minutes.
7. Remind your speaker that there will be 15 minutes of Q & A at the end and that you will carry the microphone and choose the questioner.
8. Start on time.
9. Request that cell phones be turned off.
10. **Keep your introduction short. – 2 min max**
11. Give speaker the 5 minute courtesy warning after 40 minutes of talking.
12. When the speaker’s presentation reaches 45 minutes, stand up and get the mike
13. Thank the speaker and then turn to the audience and request that if they have a question that they stand if they are able, state their name and then ask their question.
14. End on time and don’t forget to THANK THE SPEAKER
15. **WRITE A THANK YOU NOTE** *(cards available in office)***!**

**Requisition Form for - Honorarium AAUW**

**Please Note: If your speaker is on zoom, you need to pick up the check and mail it to your speaker**

### Date:

Check payable to:

For: Making a presentation

Amount: $ 200

Will pick up check on:

Specific Committee:

Requested by:

Approved by Office Administrator

If your presenter is on zoom for any reason, Please pick up the honorarium check and **you** mail it to your speaker.

This form is to be filled out and given to the secretary (preferably by email) for check 3 weeks prior to speaker’s engagement.

To return this request, email AAUW (Sharon Rauenhorst – Office Secretary) at [office@aauwmpls.org](mailto:office@aauwmpls.org)

If necessary, you may use standard mail, or drop off at the second floor office.

Thank you!

**SNOW DAY PROCEDURE**

Because we can now zoom from home, the plan is that speakers will appear on zoom instead of coming to the Gale.

1. The AAUW President will make a determination as whether or not we will meet by 8pm Sunday night

2. The President will then contact the 3 presenters (the members who engaged the speaker and are introducing the speaker) and the tech members on duty for that Monday. You will be given the names of the tech people on duty.

3. Check your email or call 612-870-1661 for a recorded message.

4. DON’T FORGET – the zoom link for your speaker if they are presenting on zoom. Copy the link from the Friday zoom link email. The link is just the date. Paste it into an email to your speaker and hope for the best! 😊

4. The 3 presenters will then each:

a. Contact their respective speaker and let them know of the change.

Ask if they can zoom from home.

b. Tell the speaker you will email the zoom link to them and then do it immediately.

c. If they have any tech questions, they can contact one of the tech persons. Check with Nan Beman to find out who the tech people on duty are

d. Ask the speaker to log onto zoom 15 minutes before they are scheduled to speak so we can make sure all the technology is working correctly.