Poughkeepsie Branch AAUW, Inc. General Membership Business Meeting November 14, 2024

President **Celia Serotsky** called the meeting to order at 7:06pm and affirmed there was a quorum present.

In lieu of **Cindy Emmer**, Secretary, **Celia** stated that the previous general business meeting was held on June 13, 2024 and the minutes were approved at the September Board meeting. The minutes are on the AAUW Poughkeepsie website under Leadership/Minutes. As stipulated in the bylaws, the minutes of this meeting will be presented to the Board for approval at the December meeting and subsequently posted on the website.

Diane Jablonski, Treasurer, noted that the branch has assets of \$77,757, and encouraged anyone to contact her with any questions.

Celia stated that the current chair of the Nominating Committee is **Mary Scalise-Annis**, who has submitted the following committee for approval by the general membership:

Diane Jablonski and Gail Sisti, representing the Board, and
Mary Coiteux and Barbara Van Itallie, representing the general membership.
Pat Luczai moved to accept the Nominating Committee as presented. The motion was

Celia announced the opportunity to donate to the Centennial Endowment Fund to establish another scholarship to Dutchess Community College. An anonymous donor has promised to match contributions up to \$20,000. Members have donated over \$3000 so far, which is \$6000 with the matching grant.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13pm and followed by Maureen Lashlee presenting "Mexico and Dutchess County: We are One Habitat".

Respectively submitted, Beth DeFiglio (for Cindy Emmer, Secretary)

unanimously approved.