**BOARD MINUTES OF AUSTIN, MN BRANCH AAUW**

A meeting of the board of the Austin, MN Branch of AAUW was held at 5:30 p.m. on September 10, 2019, at Christ Church. Members of the board in attendance included Jennifer Lawhead, Jenni Braaten, Barb Hunter, Rae Dawn Rao, Carolyn Rugg, Evelyn Guentzel and Peggy Benzkofer.

As an introduction, members were asked to give their name and a connection that they were experiencing. Peggy stated minutes of the last meeting were published in the newsletter. There was no treasurer’s report.

The scholarship recipients will be announced at the October meeting. Bonnie Rietz has asked that she be replaced on the committee to determine the recipients. Members will again be asked to support the recipients with a note and/or a gift certificate. Peggy will prepare a sign-up sheet.

We have 56 paid up members which is four less that last year and ten less than two years ago.

A discussion of the house tour was held. The tour will take place on September 29th. There will be an article in the Sept. 26th Herald and Sue Grove and Carolyn Rugg will be featured on a program on KAUS. Posters were passed for distribution. There are still people needed to help.

A new fund raiser – Story Show – will be held on January 11. Bonnie Rietz, Tom Cotter and Miguel Garate have agreed to tell their stories. More people are needed and some suggestions were made. It will be held at Riverland.

After the board meeting the annual pot luck was held.

Respectfully submitted: Peggy Benzkofer, Secretary