Minutes

Appalachian Authors Guild A Chapter of the Virginia Writer's Club Board Meeting Tuesday, February 10th, 2015

Time and Place:

The board meeting of the Appalachian Authors Guild met on Tuesday, February 10th, 2015 at the Washington County Library in Abingdon, Virginia. The meeting was from 1:00-2:00 pm.

Attendance:

President Linda Hoagland, Vice President Patty Nichols, Secretary Vicki Fletcher, Treasurer Jack Rose, Board member Sylvia Nickels.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Hoagland.

Reports:

- ✓ A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes of the board meeting on October 14th, 2014 as distributed by secretary, Vicki Fletcher.
- ✓ Jack Rose, treasurer, presented the treasurer's report which shows \$413.43 left in the budget. This report was also approved. He did pay for our booth at Virginia Highlands Festival which left the budget low. We need more members to renew their membership and also to attract new members.
- ✓ Linda Hoagland gave us the list of speakers for this year. Darnelle Arnoult, inspirational speaker, will be our speaker for March 10th, 2015.
- ✓ Linda Hoagland, Membership Chair, said that we have 2 new members: Tawana Campbell and Alfred Patrick.
- ✓ Sylvia reported on the website and we have 14,030 hits since the website was started. Her report was approved as given. She is working with a new type of formatting for websites and will soon be able to publish a new site for the AAG.
- ✓ Linda gave out the list for Picadilly and Perkins for 2015.
- ✓ Linda will continue to take care of publicity.
- ✓ Linda addressed several issues for the Board's consideration. They were: 1. an anthology which was agreed that the deadline would be May 1. Members may submit one entry for each category of poetry, fiction, and non-fiction. 2. Fundraisers- Patty is going to check on getting sponsors and to have an annual event which would bring in money. Other fundraising ideas were given but will require money in the budget to pursue. 3. Golden Nib is now being coordinated by Patty. 4. Linda asked about the

restaurant schedules and other possible places where our authors can be given access to selling their books. Addie and Linda are checking into some of these places.

✓ The next general meeting will be March 10th, 2015 at the Shoney's Restaurant in Abingdon from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President Linda Hoagland.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Fletcher, secretary