

Appalachian Authors Guild Board Meeting/Workshop
Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator
Tuesday, October 12, 2021 from 12-3 pm

TIME AND PLACE:

The board meeting of the Appalachian Authors Guild was held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator from noon until 1:00 p.m. It was followed by a workshop from 1-3 p.m. presented Dan Swanson.

ATTENDANCE:

President Vicki Fletcher, J.C. Schweingrouber, Linda Hoagland, Addie Davis, Dan Swanson, A.J. Higgins, Margie Stanko, Rose Klix, and Ken Higgins (Guest) along with Zoom Attendee Kari Kilgore.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Vicki Fletcher called the meeting to order.

BUSINESS:

- Welcome and opening of the meeting – Vicki Fletcher
- Minutes of the August 2021 AAG Board Meeting and the September 2021 General Meeting were submitted by Linda Hoagland.
- Treasurer's report submitted by Vicki Fletcher due to the absence of Jack Rose. Fortunately, the treasury will be in the black to begin 2022.
- Tidings Newsletter was not submitted due to absence of Sylvia Nickels, noting that if you want something printed in the next issue, it must be submitted by the 1st of the month every other month as the new issue will be submitted a few days before the general meeting.
- Publicity Reports– Linda Hoagland is continuing to submit meeting announcements to Voice Magazine for Women and A! Magazine and will add newspapers at the beginning of 2022, and J.C. Schweingrouber is adding AAG to his podcasts quite often and requests that authors who would like to be in a podcast contact him for an interview.
- Website Report– Vicki Fletcher continues monitoring the website.

- There are 59 members. At the first of the year, there will be a new membership blitz and those who wish to be added to the members' pages need to send the info to Vicki Fletcher.
- In November, the board members will be introduced at the final general meeting of the year on Tuesday, November 9th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Abingdon Shoney's.
- There will be a board meeting (weather permitting) on January 11, 2022, 12-1:30 pm at the Small Business Incubator to get things on the road to 2022. Board members and officers are encouraged to attend. Any member is able to attend to learn more about the business of AAG.
- Adjournment– Vicki Fletcher

WORKSHOP:

Daniel C. Swanson presented a program about Research Methods and Madness on My First Novel. It was a wonderful revelation about the types of research he experienced and was well presented.