

**Appalachian Authors Guild  
Board Meeting/Workshop  
Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>  
Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator**

**TIME AND PLACE:**

The board meeting of the Appalachian Authors Guild was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator from noon until 1:00 p.m. followed by the presentation by Tammy Robinson Smith on Content Editing.

**ATTENDANCE:**

President Vicki Fletcher, J.C. Schweingrouber, Linda Hoagland, Addie Davis, Jason Houghton, Dan Swanson, Oral Frazier, Tammy Robinson Smith  
Zoom: Kari Kilgore, Rose Klix

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Vicki Fletcher called the meeting to order.

**BUSINESS:**

Welcome and opening of the meeting – Vicki Fletcher

Minutes of the January 11, February 8, and March 8, 2022, AAG Meetings were submitted by Linda Hudson Hoagland, secretary.

Treasurer's Report submitted by Vicki Fletcher with a balance of \$790.63.

The liability insurance will need to be paid in the amount of \$265.00.

Tidings Newsletter was emailed. If you want something printed in the next issue, it must be submitted by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month every other month as the new issue will be submitted a few days before the general meeting. The next meeting is May 10<sup>th</sup> so get any news to me or Sylvia by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

There are currently 39 members with the hopeful addition of 4 more with checks in the mail.

Publicity Reports – Linda Hoagland is continuing to submit meeting announcements to Voice Magazine for Women and A Magazine. 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.

The free membership contest and blitz were discontinued on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Membership is now \$25. Wendy Dwyer won the free membership with her story *Bob's Mountain*. She is a new paid member so she asked that her free membership be passed on to another and that was given to A.J. Higgins.

There is an effort to draw in more students.

VWC is seeking a Golden Nib Coordinator, if you are interested.

The Spring Fling was cancelled for 2021 but a new attempt will be forthcoming on June 3, 2022.

The May 10th meeting at Shoney's, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, has been added in place of the Spring Fling. Dr. Jesse Graves will be speaking on "Using Poetry to Motivate Ideas."

Payment for requested spaces for authors at the Virginia Highlands Festival must be made by May 1<sup>st</sup> in order for the balance to be paid for the AAG booth. \$10 per half table and \$20 for full table.

**Program:**

Tammy Robinson Smith did an excellent job on the presentation for content editing. We thank her for her willingness to share this topic.

**Adjournment:**

President Vicki Fletcher adjourned the meeting.