

General Membership Meeting
March 10, 2020 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Shoney's in Abingdon, Virginia

Attending: Vicki Fletcher, JC Schweingrouber, Addie Davis, Linda Hoagland, Sylvia Nickels, Kari Kilgore, Jason Adams, Linda Dobkins, Fred Powers, Bunny Medeiros, Tom Fugate, and Dlana Bodmer.

President Vicki Fletcher called the meeting to order.

Business:

Secretary's Report: Minutes for the February Board Meeting were approved and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: We have \$863.98 in our treasury at this time.

Tidings Newsletter Report: Sylvia needs your items to include in the May newsletter. Please get that to her by the end of April.

Membership Report: We now have 40 members. New member Dlana Bodmer joined us today.

Website Report: The website continues to do well.

Publicity Reports: Linda Hoagland reports ads have been placed in the A! Magazine and Voice Magazine for Women. We have offered Janie Jessee of Voice an honorary membership to AAG for this publicity. JC Schweingrouber is continuing podcasts and radio ads for us. AAG members that would like to be interviewed can contact him to set this up.

Announcements: Our own Jahmal (JP) Potter received a commendation from the Governor of Virginia for his work in promoting literacy in the schools. He has visited many area elementary schools to read his book "Where Is The Woodbooger?" Congratulations JP. Well deserved.

Meeting: The meeting today was a chance to meet the authors of AAG. All the members that attended today were given 3-4 minutes to tell about their books or themselves and their platform and types of writing they do. Everyone provided information for each of us to take home. It was a wonderful day and a chance to learn about several new members that were in attendance and catch up on some of the members who have been with AAG so long.

Adjourned: President Vicki closed the meeting and encouraged everyone to attend the April workshop at the Incubator that JC will be leading. *** This meeting has been canceled at this time***