

Appalachian Authors Guild
Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 23, 2024
Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator

TIME AND PLACE

A Board Meeting was held by the Appalachian Authors Guild on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at the Virginia Highlands Small Business Incubator from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

President Vicki Fletcher, Linda Hoagland, Addie Davis, J.C. Schweingrouber, Dan Swanson, and Kari Kilgore via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

President Vicki Fletcher called the meeting to order.

BUSINESS

Welcome and opening of the meeting – Vicki Fletcher

Minutes of board meeting on October 2023 were presented by Linda Hoagland. The November 2023 minutes are forthcoming.

Treasurer's Report submitted by Vicki Fletcher with a balance of \$363.05.

The current Tidings Newsletter distributed to attendees. Sylvia Nickels was not present.

The publicity reports were presented by Linda Hoagland and J.C. Schweingrouber. Linda has notified A! Magazine and Voice Magazine for Women of upcoming meetings. J.C. has spoken about AAG in the podcasts and speaking engagements in which he has participated.

The website report was reported by Vicki Fletcher. 827 views from October 10th to January 8th. A new count will be presented in February.

The Membership Blitz is underway for renewals and new members. 20 people have already renewed, joined, or are honorary members and more will be coming.

The Holiday Anthology will accept entries until 4/1/24. Please send entries about holidays other than Christmas. Kari Kilgore will do the formatting and requests that you submit ideas for the title and cover. Reprints can be used if the rights belong to the author.

The Virginia Highlands Festival is scheduled for July 26, 2024 thru August 4, 2024. Writers & Readers Day is scheduled for July 26 & 27. The Friday keynote will be Steven James and the Saturday keynote will be Robert Morgan with Jesse Graves doing an interview. The schedule for events and speakers is on the website.

The 501(c)(3) has been sent and AAG is awaiting the final decision.

The new cookbook is available through the website.

Golden Nib winners are listed on the website.

The February 13th meeting will be held at the Small Business Incubator and Steven James is the speaker.

ADJOURNMENT

Vicki Fletcher asked for any other business and then adjourned the meeting.