



Monthly Meeting: August 24, 2014

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Watermark Books & Café, 4701 East Douglas, Wichita, KS

In Attendance:

Katherine Goodenberger

Kristi Jacobs

Kendra Mork

Eric Gustafson

Sue Koenig

Nancy Snyder

Jean Hatfield

Angela Paul

Tom Taylor

Ann Harris, guest

Absent:

Steve Hamersky

Cindy Pfeiffer

Jeanette Parker

Rita Severt

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Gustafson.

A motion was made by Sue Koenig and seconded by Tom Taylor to approve the May 5, 2014, minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Kendra Mork presented the budget report and list of current members. Several longstanding members and others have not paid renewals. Kendra will send out reminders to encourage renewals. She will also look at the currently planned events to create a budget for the new year.

Webmaster's Report:

The new WALA web domain name is <http://walaks.org/> and it has been up since last May. Minutes from past meetings will soon be archived.

Newsletter:

Eric will ask Ruth if September 15 is a good deadline for submissions for the October newsletter to be published about 10 days later. This will give readers plenty of notice for the legislative luncheon.

SCKLS:

There are several new employees.

GUEST:

Ann Harris from the Wichita Public Library is organizing a drive to gather books for pages for Paraguay, a fundraiser through TreesForLife.org. They are looking for Spanish language books for a school library (built with an elementary school) built via a fundraiser but did not include library books. Posters and bookmarks can be used to help with promotion. WALA members are encouraged to donate books and encourage community service activities.

Old Business:

- “Make the Connection” is scheduled at 6:30-8:00 p.m. on September 25, 2014 at the Alford Branch Library.

Board members will provide refreshments:

Jean/Alford Branch:	lemonade, coffee, iced tea and cookies
Nancy:	cookies
Sue:	cookies
Angie:	pretzels
Eric/Sharon A.	paper products

New Business:

- The Legislative Luncheon will be tricky this year because it is an election year, so there will be new legislators to contact. Angie will get materials from Janet Fowler. We will plan on November 19 at Corporate Caterers, pending availability of the location. There were several ideas mentioned. Angie will ask the WSU Office of International Education for a speaker.
- The Kansas Library Conference will be held in Wichita starting October 29, and we will have an information table. We may be asked to help with registration. Eric will keep us posted.
- Our theme for the KLAEF basket for silent auction will be related to the Big Read/*Maltese Falcon* and mystery books. Members will bring items to the next meeting in October.
- We are looking for a venue for the Holiday Party.
- We are looking for speakers for the spring symposium.

Adjourned at 12:30 pm

Submitted by Angela Paul, Secretary