



Monthly Meeting: November 2, 2015

Time: 11:30 am

Location: Watermark Books

In Attendance:

Sara Butts	Kristi Jacobs	Helen Rigdon
Eric Gustafson	Sue Koenig	Rita Severt
Steve Hamersky	Kendra Mork	Tom Taylor
Ruth Harries	Angela Paul	

Absent:

Cindy Pfeiffer	Jill Stern
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The meeting was called to order by President Kristi Jacobs.

Kendra proposed to approve the minutes and treasure's report. Tom seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Kendra explained that she feels enough memberships have been renewed that she is confident in her proposed budget for the year. Helen proposed we approve the yearly budget and Angie seconded the motion.

Webmaster's Report: The leadership page has been updated with current board members and officers. Each member of the board should review the page and let Eric know if changes are needed for his or her personal contact information.

Newsletter: Ruth sent out the last newsletter and Sara will be responsible for the next one. It should go out in late January/early February.

SCKLS: Kristi reported that SCKLS will hold two e-book sessions this week and technology classes are coming up.

UPCOMING WALA EVENTS

Legislative Luncheon

Terradyne is reserved for 11/17 for Jim Mason to speak. Board members are reminded to RSVP. Tom presented the board with menu options and the plated meal of chicken primavera and sheet cake desert was approved.

SCKLS will co-sponsor and take care of meal ticket for political guests, although SCKLS will not be acknowledged on the invitation. Angie provided the board with a copy to review of the invitation to legislators and senators.

SCKLS asked if they could provide an infographic with information about SCKLS. This was agreed. Eric will prepare another table display with talking points to facilitate conversations between politicians and other guests.

Tom will make sure Terradyne will have a projector ready and also ask Jim Mason to bring his own, just to make sure there is a projector that works with the presenter's personal computer.

Holiday Party

Steve has reserved the Alumni Room at Newman University on 12/11. Steve will also barbecue the entrée and other attendees will bring items for the potluck. Steve asked if there was a preference for the entrée, but the board explained that since he offered to prepare it that he could make the decision. Newman will provide coffee and water and paper towels. Other beverages and paper products will have to be supplied by attendees.

Spring Symposium

Sudermann Commons room at the Metroplex has been reserved for 12:00-5:00 pm on Monday, April 11, 2016. Board members are asked to bring topic proposals in December.

Library Tour

Rita proposed a tour of the new MakerSpace/C-Space at Wichita State University Libraries. This would be held on the evening of our March meeting, which is already scheduled on March 7. Angie will take this proposal to library administration and details will be discussed at a future board meeting. Angie will also create a list of a few restaurants to propose for dinner before the meeting.

Annual Meeting

A few topics were proposed: Kansas Sampler and the New Kansas Cookbook <https://www.facebook.com/newkansascookbook/>. Board members are asked to bring topic proposals in December.

Other Topics

Max Burson is retiring. WALA will recognize his many years of service at the Annual Meeting. There was a discussion, mirroring the discussion last year (which did not make it into the minutes) proposing lifetime memberships for retirees who have been active WALA members. There were two major reasons this idea did not make it to a proposal:

- Dues are important to maintain the annual budget and retirees who still feel WALA is relevant to them will be happy to pay annual dues and remain involved
- A gift at the annual meeting would be more greatly appreciated because most retirees do not maintain membership

Adjourned at 12:30 pm

Submitted by Angela Paul