



Monthly Meeting: December 5, 2016
Time: 11:30 a.m.
Location: Watermark Books and Café

In Attendance:

Anne Ethen	Kendra Mork	Tom Taylor
Ruth Harries	Nicole Penley	
Kristi Jacobs	Helen Rigdon	

Absent:

Sara Butts	Cindy Pfeiffer
Sue Koenig	Sam Willis
Angela Paul	

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Taylor

Minutes: Minutes from the November 7, 2016 meeting required a small correction. Motion for approval made by Kendra, Kristi second. Minutes approved as corrected. Tom brought up the recent email vote in reference to a gift card for the speaker for Legislative Day. It was decided that Tom will print out the emails and attach to these minutes.

Treasurer's Report: WALA has 37 paid members for 2016. Kendra has sent out three reminders and one more will be in the winter newsletter. The bank balance as off 11/22/16 was \$2,761.98. Still outstanding is the bill to Ya-Ya's. Kendra will also bill SCKLS for the Legislator's lunches. Anne moved to accept the treasurer's report, Ruth second, motion passed.

Webmaster's Report: Tom gave Sam's report. The carpool signup is now on the WALA website.

Newsletter Report: Tom gave Sara's report. Please send any pictures from Rita Severt's retirement and the holiday party to Sara for inclusion in the winter newsletter. Please send Sara any articles or happenings at your libraries. The target date for the next newsletter is the second week in January.

SCKLS Report: The SCKLS spring event will be a celebration of the 50th anniversary of SCKLS (which is actually in June, 2016). The event will focus on SCKLS' past and the future. A brief discussion was held on getting a card or gift for the system. It was moved by Helen, second by Kendra that WALA purchase a plant with a limit of \$50 and have sent to the system closer to their anniversary date.

Old Business:

Holiday Party: Reminder the holiday party is set for December 9th @ 5:00 p.m. in the Alumni Room of Newman University. WALA supplies the meat and paper goods. All attendees are asked to bring a side dish and a wrapped white elephant book for a book exchanged.

Legislative Luncheon: A wrap up discussion was held about this year's luncheon. There were seven legislators in attendance and they all liked the location and food. There was some comments on the awkward layout of the two rooms and the trouble of seeing the presenter. It was mentioned that the old Olive Tree (now Two Olives) is back in business and it was the nice large meeting room. It was also decided that a Monday of the week of Thanksgiving seemed to work out well for the legislators to attend. It was suggested that next year we add a link to the WALA newsletter to the invitations for the event since some legislator asked to be kept up to date on WALA happenings. Ruth reported that one of her student workers is going to intern for one of the legislators that Ruth met at the lunch.

Legislative Day: January 26, 2017 in Topeka. The carpool sign up form is available on the WALA website. At the time of the meeting only Tom had signed up.

March Board meeting and library tour: The board will meet for dinner at 5:00 p.m. on March 6 at Rib Crib in Derby. Once dinner is over, the group will tour the new Mulvane Library and then hold a short board meeting afterwards. Tom will check with the Mulvane director about times.

Spring Symposium: Discussion centered on the topic for this event. It was brought up about "User Experience" and then about serving Millennials. The millennials at the meeting decided that they thought the millennials were being used to much. Tom pointed out that some libraries are starting to use the term "new adults" for this age group. The topic for the day was decided on "User Experience." The form will be like an "unconference" with a keynote speaker. The date will be April 10th. Tom will check with WSU about the Hughes Metroplex. A keynote speaker will need to be found. Also, there will be a panel session with "new adults." It was decided that pre-registration will be asked for so an idea can be had of the number attending for refreshments. Tom is also going to check with WSU food service. SCKLS usually pays for the refreshments.

Annual Meeting: The board briefly touched on arrangements for the upcoming annual meeting to be held on May 18, 2017 at Hyde Park in Wichita. Helen has the building reserved. We will again go with Hog Wild BBQ as attendees like it. Tom will check with the lady from Kansas Sampler as a possible speaker.

New Business: Kendra asked to be reimbursed for a 'WALA For deposit only' stamp as the former one wore out. Kristi moved, Ruth second, motion passed.

There was an announcement about the upcoming retirement reception for Allen Tanner at the Central Library of WPL being held on December 14.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. Next meeting will be held on January 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Watermark Books and Café.

Respectfully Submitted:
Helen Rigdon