



**Monthly Meeting:** August 26, 2019

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.

**Location:** Watermark Books and Café

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Loree Hisken	Joan Wilson	Anne Ethen
Jessica Torres	Ruth Harries	Angela Paul
Nicole Penley	Samuel Willis	Sara Butts
Maggie Pinnick	Jo Plumb	Kathie Buckman

**Board Members Absent:**

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Kathie (new President).

**Minutes:** May minutes approved by Samuel (Nicole).

**Treasurer's Report:** Anne reported that we currently have \$1,920.83. Anne will be reminding WALA board who need to renew membership and existing members who might like to renew. Currently we have 25 members paid.

**SCKLS:** Has started Fall line-up of trainings, available on SCKLS website. Have begun a new year of BLAST Programs (Basic Library Skills Training) – you may take a number of classes and receive a certificate – great for new librarians and most take place in Hutchinson but some are offered as webinars.

**Webmaster's Report (via email):** Samuel has updated the board list on the website but would like to verify the terms that people are serving. Reminded the board to send Samuel write-ups for upcoming events on WALA website. Kathie will send a write-up and image to Samuel for the Fall Mixer.

**Newsletter Report:** Last Spring we discussed doing a yearly newsletter instead for a year. Kathie will send regular emails with upcoming events and after events, while pointing members to view our website and social media (Facebook). The bylaws do not say much about the newsletter except that the newsletter editor is a non-voting member. Maggie has volunteered to take on the newsletter with Kathie being President but she would like support in taking event photos. The first email should promote the Meet & Greet and Save the Date for the Legislative Luncheon. Also, watch for these events (whole year at a glance).

## PAST EVENTS

**Summer Mixer:** We met at Sedgwick County Zoo on June 27 for Flocktails. Roughly 15 members attended and had a great time. A few members were able to bring a plus one.

## NEW ITEMS

**Archivist/Historian:** April Hernandez inherited some WALA historical documents from Kendra Mork at Goddard Public Library. We also have a Google Drive account with the last 10 years of some archives. We could digitize these ... maybe invite SLIM students to digitize archives and catalog them. SCKLS also has an internship and a digitization lab. Joan volunteered to pick up the tub of documents in Goddard and I (Sara) will bring two boxes to give to Kathie.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**WALA KLAEF Basket:** A WALA table probably isn't appropriate in Overland Park. Libraries Build Community: Healthy, Wealthy, and Wise. We could do "Wellness From Wichita." Kathie will sign us up. Bring items on October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. KLA is the 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> of October.

**Meet & Greet (Fall Mixer):** Our Fall Mixer will be at Chicken N Pickle on September 11<sup>th</sup> on a Wednesday. Come and go 5:30-8:30 pm. Kathie will bring some name tag stickers. We aren't reserving a space but there is outdoor and indoor seating. The first to arrive should save a couple tables inside. It's located at 13<sup>th</sup> and Greenwich. Loree will edit a Save the Date flier with the new details.

**Legislative Luncheon:** November 25<sup>th</sup>. Robbin Newell, Vice President of KLA, has agreed to speak. Considering Two Olives again for the event at 29<sup>th</sup> and Rock. Ruth volunteered to call to make the reservation for 11:30-1 (book the room for 11-2 with lunch to be served at 11:30). Last year we did \$25 for non-members and \$20 for members. We'll consider menu options at the next meeting. Angie had sent a save the date via email last year and sent an invitation by mail also. Angie primarily received email responses. Angie can send these again after elections in November.

**Holiday Party:** Last year we had the holiday party at Wichita Public Library's Rockwell Branch. Ruth will look into having it at Butler Community College in El Dorado this year. We're looking at Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

We went around and introduced ourselves for Ruth Harries.

Meeting adjourned at 12:32 PM. Sara motioned to adjourn (Ruth).

Submitted by Sara Butts