



Monthly Meeting: Monday, August 28, 2023

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Watermark Books and via Zoom Link

Board Members in Attendance:

Jessica Pierpoint

Melissa Emo

Julie Mills

Samuel Willis

Nicole Penley

Kathie Buckman

Cina Shirley

Heather Powell

Jeannie Booth

Samantha Henning

Rachel Enix

Board Members Absent:

Anne Ethan

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Jessica and started at 11:32 am.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Anne provided a report: our current bank balance is \$2,932.31. She will provide an up-to-date number of paid members at our next meeting.

SCKLS: Nicole announced that they have filled a Network Service Coordinator position. Fall CE events are up on their website.

Webmaster/Social Media Report: Samuel has updated a few plug-ins and has updated our Leadership page.

Old Business

Annual Meeting: We had a successful Annual Meeting in May with 26 in attendance. Mike Graves' program was lots of fun, as were the party fedoras he provided. We are happy to welcome three new board members: Melissa Emo as our new VP, and Samantha Henning and Rachel Enix as Board Members.

Summer Gatherings: The two Summer social events (Food Truck and Singo at Chicken N Pickle) were discussed. The Food Truck day was scorching hot, so attendance was smaller. 12-14 attended the Singo evening. We think having two again next Summer is a good idea.

New Business

Due to her increased workload, Julie Mills has asked to step down as Secretary, but is willing to remain on the Board. Kathie Buckman has agreed to switch places with her, if Heather Powell and Julie can take over the bulk of the Newsletter. It was moved and seconded to have Kathie serve as Secretary, Heather to take over the Newsletter, and Julie to assist Heather. Motion carried.

September Meet and Greet: It was decided to have the Meet and Greet at the Sandbox in Derby, on Tuesday, September 19, from 5:30-8:00. A flyer will be created for us to distribute.

Newsletter: It was decided to have two Newsletters a year: Fall and Spring. For the Fall edition, we will try and get it out in early/mid-October. For the Fall Newsletter we will include: Meet the Board, the Summer Events, and the September Meet and Greet. At our October meeting we will finalize the rest of our Fall calendar.

KLA: will be November 1-3 in Wichita. It was agreed that we would like to donate a Basket again this year. We have chosen a Book Lovers/Cozy Up With a Good Book theme. Please bring items to the October 2 meeting.

Library Tour Next Spring: Jessica visited with Racine Zakula at the Chicken N Pickle and Racine has offered up a fun idea for our Spring Library Tour. She would like us to visit her new Wichita Public Library Bookmobile. More on this later.

Holiday Party: We will discuss this at our next meeting.

Legislative Luncheon: Last year we sent out a postcard, and we discussed resuming a luncheon, or some type of event. We are in agreement that we can scale it back a little, and not treat them to such a fancy meal. Ideas we tossed around: go to the Culinary Arts School at Butler (Andover); go to a fancy coffee joint; or a cheesecake or bakery venue.....maybe have a "Coffee and Conversation." Guest speaker ideas included Ray Walling (new State Librarian), Mike Lange (KS Talking Books), or Shanna Smith-Ritterhouse (KLA President.) Should we do it in November or February? Jessica, Melissa, and Kathie will come up with a list of legislators. Nicole will find out when they are in session/not in session.

Other Business

Samuel announced that he will be on paternity leave in November and December. His wife is due on October 24. Congrats to them both!

Meeting adjourned and ended by 12:15 pm.

Our next board meeting will be hybrid on Monday, October 2, at 11:30am at Watermark Books.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Buckman
Secretary