



**Monthly Meeting:** Monday, October 2, 2023

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

**Location:** Watermark Books and via Zoom Link

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Jessica Pierpoint  
Melissa Emo  
Anne Ethen  
Julie Mills  
Samuel Willis  
Nicole Penley  
Kathie Buckman  
Cina Shirley  
Heather Powell  
Jeannie Booth

**Board Members Absent:**

Samantha Henning  
Rachel Enix

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Jessica and started at 11:29 am.

**Minutes:** The August 2023 minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Anne provided a report: our current bank balance is \$2,962.31. We have 25 paid members.

**SCKLS:** Nicole had no report.

**Webmaster/Social Media Report:** Samuel had no report.

**Old Business**

The September Meet & Greet held at the Sandbox in Derby on September 19 was lots of fun and well attended. We had 14 in attendance, and there were several new faces.

Jessica collected items from us to put in the KLA WALA Basket. So far we have some books, candles, a puzzle, coffee, etc. We decided to name the basket: "Cozy Up with WALA."

For the Fall Newsletter, Heather will include some photos from the 2 Summer events and the recent Meet & Greet. Also, we would like to continue the Meet the Board section. If you have an updated photo, please send it to Heather by Friday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>. Heather, Julie, Jessica, and Kathie will be helping with the Newsletter.

### **New Business**

**Legislative Luncheon:** It was decided to bring back a Legislative function....but not the expensive luncheons we have had in the past. We settled on a Coffee and Conversation event, with coffee/tea and a pastry/dessert item. We are looking at the week before Thanksgiving, and it will be held from 2:00-4:00. Eric at Derby has offered their meeting room so Jessica will contact him about having it there, and get back to us on which day works best. For our guest speaker, we will ask Sean Bird from Washburn, as he will be the new KLA President. Legislators and WALA members will be invited, but no one will be charged. Melissa will look into some pricing for food and drink. Cina mentioned a friend makes Cake Pops that might be fun. Kathie will come up with a list of legislators.

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

### **Other Business**

Rachel Enix has submitted her resignation as a Board member, as she and her husband have moved out-of-state. Jessica asked all of us to reach out to a possible replacement. If we find someone we (the Board) can vote them in without having to hold another election. If we cannot find someone, we will send an email to the WALA members to see if someone will step up and volunteer.

Meeting adjourned and ended by 12:31 pm.

Our next board meeting will be hybrid on Monday, November 6, at 11:30am at Watermark Books.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Buckman  
Secretary