

Monthly Meeting: Monday, February 5, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Watermark Books and via Zoom Link

Board Members in Attendance:

Jessica Pierpoint
Melissa Emo
Julie Mills
Nicole Penley
Kathie Buckman
Cina Shirley
Heather Powell
Jeannie Booth
Samantha Henning
Eric Gustafson
Sam Willis
Anne Ethen

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Jessica at 11:30 am.

Minutes: The January 2024 minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Anne provided a report: our current bank balance is \$2,740.23. We have 28 paid members.

It was moved and seconded to make a \$50 donation in memory of Jeanette Parker. We will send this to the Barclay College Library, in Haviland, KS.

SCKLS: Nicole had no report.

Webmaster/Social Media Report: Sam had no report.

Old Business

Our March 4th Library Tour and Meeting will be held at the Advanced Learning Center at 5:30 with a tour of the Bookmobile, given by Racine. After our tour and short business meeting we will eat in the Delano District at a restaurant called The Monarch.

Our Winter/Spring newsletter is scheduled to come out in late February. Please email Heather any photos you have. We will have a write up in memory of Jeanette Parker, former WALA President who died recently.

New Business

Tom Taylor at Andale Public Library has agreed to host our Tanner Spring Symposium. He gave Jessica 4 possible dates. We have chosen April 23, 2024, from 1:00-4:00. Our theme will be: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility. Possible speakers include: Fiona from SCKLS; Mike Lang, KS Talking Books; and our very own Melissa Emo. We will finalize refreshments at our March meeting.

Our Annual Meeting was discussed. Eric will check with a city park in Derby, about using their facility. Eric also mentioned a possible author: Mike Everhart, a Kansas Paleontologist.

Other Business

We will have several Board positions open for next year, so we need begin recruiting folks. Open positions for next year will be: VP (3-year term), Treasurer (2-year term), Secretary (2-year term), and three 2-year Board positions. Sam has offered to run again for his position, and to stay on as Webmaster.

Meeting adjourned and ended by 12:00 pm.

Our next board meeting will be hybrid on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 5:30 at the Advanced Learning Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Buckman Secretary