

Monthly Meeting: August 29. 2022

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

**Location:** Watermark Books and Zoom (Hybrid)

## **Board Members in Attendance:**

April Hernandez

Jessica Pierpoint

Julie Mills

Kathie Buckman

Samuel Willis

Nicole Penley

Loree Hisken

Anne Ethen

Jeannie Booth

Cina Shirley

**Heather Powell** 

**Board Members Absent:** Britten Kuckleman

Other Members in Attendance: N/A

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

Minutes (Julie): No changes and approval by Samuel, seconded by Anne.

**Treasurer's Report (Anne):** Current bank balance is \$2902.01. Anne reported that we have 14 paid members. Jessica mentioned that she has been asked how to pay by several people. For renewal/paying

dues please fill out form and send with money to Anne. All board members must be current paid members. Nicole said that SCKLS will send theirs in a batch.

**SCKLS (Nicole):** Have a couple new staff members. There was an email sent out by Paul that is a survey regarding "Freedom to Read". This is meant for all library staff, including front line workers and multiple employees can respond. Their hope is to get many points of view. This will be used to determine future trainings. There is also a chance to win a gift card. Contact her or Paul with any questions.

Webmaster/Social Media Report (Samuel): Please send current contact information for leadership webpage to Samuel for the website, he will be working on this. The return of the newsletter was discussed. Prior to the pandemic it was published digitally every quarter. Kathie agreed to take this on again, with help from Loree and Heather. Hopefully we will have more in person gatherings and will have more photos and things to publish. The newsletter and/or a pamphlet could be used if we have a table at KLA in October.

## **Old Business**

Annual Meeting recap: April had a great PowerPoint of the year in review. There are a lot of new members this year. We still have a vacancy for the VP position. Possibilities are still being discussed on what to do with this opening. If April and Jessica retain their positions for a second year, a motion will need to be filed. Jeannie Booth from Friends University Library was unanimously voted in to fill our 2 year board position that was needing filled after Annual Meeting. We welcome Jeannie to the board!

**Transition to Hybrid Meetings:** The room at Watermark Books has been booked for the year (Through May) from 11-1pm. If a lot of us are joining in-person they have offered to get our orders in advance (day before). They will also be expanding and adding to their menu after Labor Day Weekend, something to look forward to. We will still offer virtual options via Zoom for every meeting.

**Summer Gathering (Twilight at the Zoo):** Thank you to all who attended! There were approximately ten+ people at the Zoo. If anyone has any photos from the evening, please send to Kathie, Loree, or Heather for the newsletter.

## **New Business**

**New Member Welcome:** Introductions were made around the room for all of the new board members. Welcome Cina, Heather, and Jeannie! We also welcome Julie and Kathie back to the board and in new positions!

**Fall Meet & Greet:** Julie will send out a poll for possible dates for mid-September. A second poll will be sent to vote on location. Going to a museum was discussed with the possibility of eating somewhere in Delano. Please advertise this event at your libraries. This is a great opportunity for increasing membership. Also a great opportunity to bring your renewal forms and money, if Anne is not there Jessica and April can take them.

**KLA WALA Basket/KLA Evening Event:** It was voted on that we would donate another basket for KLA in October. This is typically not paid for by WALA funds, though in the past, a small amount has been used. Several members offered to bring things to the September Meet & Greet and/or October board meeting. Since April and Jessica will be at KLA they will be in charge of the basket, Jessica already has basket for us to use. The KLA theme this year is focusing on "rebuilding and reconnecting". There will be

a "Dine Around" evening KLA opportunity for WALA to be a part of as well. WALA will have a table at one and maybe two of the three stops, along with Drag Queen Story Hour. This will be a great opportunity to promote WALA!

## **Other Business**

**WALA Archives:** There are several boxes of WALA papers that need to be scanned and stored. Kathie took 2 boxes today and will look into having a student digitally archive them all. Sam will work with Kathie to add the finding aid to the website for the files that have already been catalogued. This will be an ongoing topic in regard to where these will be stored in the future. Anne inherited some financial papers that she will go through and shred anything that does not need to be archived.

Meeting adjourned and ended at 12:31 pm.

Next board meeting will be hybrid meeting at Watermark and via Zoom on Monday, October 3rd at 11:30am.