

North Florida Poetry Hub Chapter - Minutes

Location: Jacksonville, Florida, Zoom platform

Date: January 29, 2022

Time: 2:00 - 4 p.m.

Attendees: Ruth Van Alstine, Shutta Crum, Sally Constain, Howard Moon, Pat Krause, Paula Babadi, Cynthia Jackson, Bonnie L. Boucek, Mehmet Gunes, Sharon Scholl, E. Stanley Richardson, Suzanne Austin-Hill, Shani Hall

Agenda items

Minutes from November meeting approved and accepted as written by attending members.

Old Business Reviewed, see Meeting Agenda.

POET'S PEN PROJECT: We are up to Volume 10. Chris Kastle, Shani Hall, Stephen Stokes and Sharon Scholl are working on their Poets Pen books/Zines. Memhet Gunes is considering. If you want to publish a Poet's Pen Volume contact Ruth Van Alstine ASAP, as it takes at least a month or more to go from beginning to end and it is already February, Ruth is working on several other volumes and there is less than two months turn-around time before the Showcase, which is projected for April 10. You can not wait until the last few weeks before the Showcase. **Poet's Pen printing proofs should be completed before the end of March. When you take your files to the print shop is up to you, but you should have your books finished before the end of March if you want to be in the Showcase.**

POET'S PEN SHOWCASE: Brief overview of pre-planning for the Poet's Pen Showcase on April 10 at 2 pm were given. Shutta Crum, Sharon Scholl and Ruth Van Alstine are meeting via Zoom January 31st to review options. Target location is The Links in Nocatee. Further details as the event shapes up and plans are more solid. **SAVE THE DATE: April 10, 2 p.m.**

There was no other old business.

New Business:

1. **"Create-Submit-Celebrate" Goals Project.** A final presentation shown at this meeting. Signup is open now. Bonnie L. Boucek is the Record Keeper and Ruth Van Alstine will keep attendance records for non-members in the program. Thus far the following members have signed up for the program: Sally Constain, Paula Babadi, Howard Moon, Shutta Crum, Pat Krause, Bonnie L. Boucek, Suzanne Austin-Hill (non-member), Shani Hall, Ruth Van Alstine, Cynthia Jackson (non-member), Mehmet Gunes, Stephen Stokes. If you want to sign up for the program, please email Ruth Van Alstine.
2. **Any project ideas are always welcome.**

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
The Poet's Pen	Ruth Van Alstine / Poets who are involved in their Poet's Pen volumes	None	Ruth Van Alstine working with Several poets (those who are in process, please contact Ruth to set up Zoom sessions and review Poets Pen requirements for your volumes)
NFPH/FSPA Bookmarks	Ruth Van Alstine/members	On-going	Being distributed and is on-going - contact Ruth for more bookmarks
"Create-Submit-Celebrate"	Enrolled Participants	Enrollment until June 30 th 2022	Active - Contact Bonnie L. Boucek for any issues regarding Record Keeping. Ruth Van Alstine for admin questions.
Calling for new projects	All Chapter Members	On-going	Contact Ruth Van Alstine

PROGRAM: "Create-Submit-Celebrate" Goals Project The 2022 Goals Project with PowerPoint presentation that outlined the entire project was shown. Time for Question and Answer afterwards and opportunity to sign up for the program. There was a short poetry share at the end of the meeting. Adjourned at 4 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 26 2 - 3:30 pm.



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