

North Florida Poetry Hub Chapter - Minutes

Location: Jacksonville, Florida, Zoom platform
Date: November 30, 2024
Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Attendees: Ruth Van Alstine, Beth Ramos, Sally Constain, Shutta Crum, Pat Kraus, Ksenia, Sipra Roy

Beth Ramos moved to approve the July minutes as written, Sally Constain seconded.

Old Business Reviewed as follows:

Old Business:

1. Workshop facilitators – We need to fill up the schedule again.
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JbKWGwztH9y8bVE9pHeNwILZSJia2IOSZ-ETC0DR_p4/edit?gid=1386834576#gid=1386834576
2. Mother & Me member Anthology status was reviewed. All books have been distributed. Sally needed a bill and Ruth realized she might not have sent the local members bills. This was done.
3. Updates for Fall Forum will be announced when available. Details for Poetry Showcase will be discussed at December chapter meeting.

New Business:

1. Shutta Crum will present a brief workshop on how to edit your own work for submissions in either the January or February Chapter Meeting.
2. Shutta will meet with A Gathering of Poets to discuss how to handle their poetry contest this year and report back.
3. A decision on how to select readers for the Poetry Showcase of 2025 must be arrived on. Please give us your input at the December Chapter meeting by attending.
4. 2025 Create-Submit-Celebrate Goals program will re-start January 1st if folks want to rerun it next year. A vote will take place via MailChimp poll.

Action items

The Poet's Pen

Owner(s)

Ruth Van Alstine /
Poets who are
involved in their
Poet's Pen volumes

Deadline

None

Status

Two people waiting to
publish their books
contact Ruth

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
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 closed for existing members	Active - Contact Ruth
Open Forum/Poetry Hub workshop facilitators	All Members	On-going	Sign up/volunteer to be a workshop facilitator for these workshops.
Poetry Video on Member Bio page	All Members	On-going	Active - Contact Ruth
West Coast Student Poetry Contest	All Members	On-going	Contact Suzanne Austin-Hill for information on how to work on this project.
Project Planning Committee	All Members	On-going	Contact Ruth to be on this Committee and contribute ideas/introduce Projects-programs for the Chapter

PROGRAM: After the meeting, we had a brief presentation of Native American poets for National Native American Heritage month.

The next Chapter meeting will be December 28th, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM



North Florida Poetry Hub is sponsored by Hope-At-Hand, a local non-profit organization providing art and poetry therapy sessions to vulnerable and at-risk youth populations to facilitate healing and personal growth for children and adolescents in the Northeast Florida area.

