

North Florida Poetry Hub Chapter - Minutes

Location: Jacksonville, Florida, Zoom platform
Date: January 25, 2024
Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Attendees: Ruth Van Alstine, Kelsy Melton, Sharon Scholl, Pat Krause, Suzanne Austin-Hill, Beth Ramos, Chris Kastle, Sipra Roy

Sharon Scholl moved to approve the December minutes as written, Chris Kastle seconded.

Old Business Reviewed as follows:

Old Business:

1. Workshop facilitators – We have facilitators into next year. A signup sheet is always available online or email Ruth.
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1JbKWGwztH9y8bVE9pHeNwLZSJia2I0SZ-ETC0DR_p4/edit?gid=1386834576#gid=1386834576
2. Shutta Crum’s submission workshop was recorded at the January 21st Poetry Hub workshop. It is published on the chapter's YouTube channel. https://youtu.be/Biy_olOJ2Ms
3. **Showcase plans: We are just about ready for the showcase.** Members can donate towards the middle and high school poetry contests prizes. Submit money to Shutta or Sharon. Chris Kastle will once again take care of sales and her instructions will come out next month. Our library reservation has been confirmed **at the SE Regional Library, Jacksonville FL**. Shutta is working up the agenda. WWFaC will be confirmed. Sharon confirmed Elan will be there.
4. Reader selection: Results of poll and list of readers.

New Business:

1. Haiku contest for JAX Poetry Fest for Hope At Hand.
2. Goals program 2025 again has 14 participants in the goals program.

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

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

Active - **Contact Ruth**

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Open Forum/Poetry Hub workshop facilitators	All Members	existing 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: There was no program. The next Chapter meeting will be February 22th, 2025.

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.

