

North Florida Poetry Hub Chapter - Minutes

Location: Jacksonville, Florida, Zoom platform

Date: June 29, 2024

Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Attendees: Ruth Van Alstine, Suzanne Austin-Hill, Chris Kastle, Sipra Roy, Beth Ramos, Ken Boyd, Jan G Annino, Shani Hall, Sally Constain

Beth Ramos moved to approve the May minutes as written, Suzanne Austin-Hill seconded.

Old Business Reviewed as follows:

Old Business:

1. The Planning Committee consisting of Beth, Ruth, Chris and Suzanne will be held on July 10th on Zoom. The calendar will be updated and new ideas discussed.
2. **We did not discuss how we were going to choose readers for next year's showcase. I have been unable to get the Google polling device to work properly.**
3. The Cheery poem deadline is April 15th, Paula Babadi, Howard Moon and Ruth Van Alstine are the editors.
4. Postcard Poem Campaign July 4-August. A Zoom session for those individual members who have signed up to share their experiences to be held in July and August.
5. Workshop facilitator notice will be sent out in email blast.
6. **Poet's Pen publishing Authors** – I have contacted Nancy Murrey-Settle and am waiting to hear back from her (will give it until the end of the month), who is next on the list. After that, the order is Ken Boyd, Jennifer Dracos-Tice, Sally Constain (fall?) and Beth Ramos as those members waiting to publish according to my records. Please let me know if this is inaccurate. If you are on the list please start to get 5-10 poems ready to go into your small book or zine before I contact you.

New Business:

1. "Mother's and Poetry anthology is underway. Poems have been collected. Editors for the poetry and book are Beth Ramos and Chris Kastle and the final editor Shutta Crum. Ruth will publish the book.

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

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 open until July 1	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

The next Chapter meeting will be July 27th, 2024. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM



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