

Gulf Coast Writers Association
General Meeting
June 20, 2015
Zion Lutheran Church

Meeting was opened by President Gary McLouth at 10:10 AM.

Gary spoke of the killings at the historic A.M.E. Church in Charleston, SC. He followed with a reading of an excerpt of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s letter from the Birmingham Jail.

Executive reports were requested and given as necessary.

Irene Smith, membership chairman, pressed on the need for volunteers to make coffee, man the kitchen, do room set-up and take-down and to think about offering their services on next year's executive committee.

Don Capelli, treasurer, was not present to report on the budget.

There were 10 new guests, interesting people with different lifestyles and backgrounds.

Jennifer Fitzgerald, webmaster, presented a soft launch of the new website which will include three links to be filled out with current information on members. She discussed website changes with hand's on experience. The platform requires the input of two random numbers to prevent bots from accessing the program. It gives the option to submit published books with links to Amazon, short stories and poems and news.

There are 69 members present at today's meeting.

Six members shared their good news.

Break

11:07 Mike Neal presented speaker Rik Feeney, who presented an excellent program on digital publishing.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:19

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Burnett for Cyndi Anthony, Secretary