

GULF COAST WRITERS ASSOCIATION
GCWA Executive Committee Meeting
Location: Fairfield Inn Snack Area
Monday, Oct. 16, 2017

Executive Committee Members attending: Don Cappelli, Bob McCarthy, Mike Cole, Irene Smith, Arlyn Euken.

Corporate Board Member attending: Judy Loose.

Absent: Geri McArdle, Geneva Kelly.

President Don Cappelli called the meeting to order at 4:35.

Minutes - Due to Hurricane Irma, no board meeting or general meeting was held in September.

August minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer Report - Mike Cole.

Financial report will be sent to all via e-mail.

Membership Report - Irene Smith.

Membership total presently at 144.

9 first time attendees at the August meeting; follow up made to all.

Reminder to all for optional costumes at the Sat. general meeting.

Communication Report - Given by Don for Geneva.

Facebook continues to be used for our publicity and has been posted for the upcoming meeting. Geneva will bring prize bags for costumes for Sat. meeting.

Web Manager Report - Acting web mgr. Judy Loose reported that contest rules info. & rules for the upcoming writing contest will be posted on the web site.

Also posted will be info for anyone interested in being a ghost writer.

Program Report - Bob McCarthy.

He will speak at the Sat. meeting on information & rules on the writing contest. One of the judges will be present & will also speak.

For the November meeting speaker , request airfare to be paid by GCWA.

Motion by Bob McCarthy , seconded by Irene, to approve the expenditure of \$409.19 for this speaker. Motion passed by all.

Old Business - Chairman Cappelli noted special thanks to Judy Loose for her extra help recently.

New Business - Judy reported that Larry Stiles will again be doing the treasurer's year end audit.

Discussion on rules for writing contest, concerning age limits. Motion by Mike, seconded by Bob, that there be no restrictions. Contest open to all ages. Unanimous approval.

Next meetings:

General Meeting, October 21, 2017.

Exec. Board meeting, Tuesday Nov. 14, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Arlyn Euken
Secretary