Gulf Coast Writers Association Corporate Board Meeting

February 23, 2017 FAIRFIELD INN, Fort Myers, FL

Meeting called to order at 3:05 PM. In attendance: Tim Jacobs, Pat Janda, Judy Loose, Larry Stiles, Don Cappelli, Tom Nelson (visiting), chairperson Larry Stiles presiding.

The Board primarily concerned itself with making sure everything was in order for the upcoming, March 25 membership business meeting. The Agenda for the business meeting was informally approved as follows:

Financial Review Committee Report (Pat Janda)

First Proposed Amendment to Bylaws (Officer at Large)

Second Proposed Amendment to Bylaws (Website Manager)

Election of new director (nominee: Tom Nelson)

Election of the 2017-18 Executive Committee (TBA)

The two proposed amendments had been discussed in detail in a prior Board meeting. However, there was some modification of the second proposed amendment which was explained. The Board approved the language of both proposed amendments in a form suitable for distribution.

The Chair will prepare a formal announcement of the membership business meeting with agenda and proposed bylaws amendments for distribution at the February 25 GCWA monthly meeting.

The Board then turned to an informal discussion of an issue brought by President Cappelli. This issue concerned an apparent budget overrun and unapproved expenditures in one specific area. Several suggestions were made but no formal action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM

~Larry Stiles, Acting Secretary