

**GULF COAST WRITERS ASSOCIATION**  
**GCWA Executive Committee Meeting**

Location: Fairfield Inn Snack Area  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018

Executive Committee Members attending: Irene Smith, Bob McCarthy, Mike Cole, Geneva Kelly, Laura Nonemaker, Sharmin McKenny, Gianni Franco, Arlyn Euken, Sloan Jordan.

Absent: Al York.

Corporate Board attending: Judy Loose.

Meeting called to order at 5:04 by President Irene Smith.

Minutes - Thanks to Judy Loose for assisting in sending out September Minutes to committee members. Minutes approved as received.

#### Committee Reports

Treasurer - Gianni Franco. Financial report sent by e-mail, approved as received.

Communications - Geneva Kelly. October meeting information sent to all current contacts.

Programs - Bob McCarthy. Continuing to work on next year's programs & speakers, giving preference to SW Florida authors.

Special Programs - Sloan Jordan. Led discussion on writing contest judges & judging criteria. Suggestion made to begin the contest earlier in the year, probably in July.

Membership - Sharmin & Laura. Discussion concerning members' joining dates; currently the fiscal year starting date is September 1.

Web Manager - Mike Cole. The SSL security certificate purchased & in use on our website.

Thanks to Judy Loose for her assistance in installing this program.

New Business - Many thanks to Judy Loose for her many hours of help with computer problems & situations. Making Judy a lifetime honorary member?? Motion to that effect by Sharmin, seconded by Mike - unanimous approval.

Discussion on November meeting; both venue & date a conflict at Zion. Venue may be changed to Seven Lakes. Date change may also be necessary. Bob will check with Zion re available dates. Will also check on their sound system, in relation to hearing problems experienced by our audience.

If changes become necessary, special notifications may have to be sent to members.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15.

November meeting dates:

Exec. Committee - Nov. 13.

General meeting - Nov. 17.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arlyn H. Euken, Secretary