## GULF COAST WRITERS ASSOCIATION GCWA Executive Committee Meeting

Location: Fairfield Inn Snack Area Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Executive Committee Members attending: Irene Smith, Bob McCarthy, Mike Cole, Al York, Geneva Kelly, Arlyn Euken, Laura Nonemaker.

Absent: Sloan Jordan, Sharmin McKenny, Gianni Franco.

Corporate Board attending: Judy Loose.

Meeting called to order by President Irene Smith at 5:02.

Minutes - Correction August minutes: Corporate Board member attending: Tom Nelson. General meeting date = Sept. 15. Minutes approved as corrected.

Committee Reports:

Membership - Laura Nonemaker. Visitors & first time attendees have been contacted, or attempts made thereto.

Communications - Geneva Kelly. September meeting notices sent, plus looking towards placing notices/flyers in Goodwill & other similar large used bookstores.

Programs - Bob McCarthy. Speaker and refreshments set for Saturday general meeting.

Web Site - Mike Cole . Web site security payment to Go Daddy paid soon; also post office box renewal.

Officer at Large - Al York. Three critique groups have been organized & formed. Work in progress for several other interested writers. Reviewed again the ok for non-members to join a critique group.

Old Business - Irene & Sloan met with several representatives from the Lee County Library System - desire to partner with them on events, including writing contest. They will post our publicity at local branches.

New Business - Irene is exploring possibility of contacting teachers to encourage their students to enter our writing contest - having a youth category, ages 13-17.

Mike will follow through on possible publicity with FGCU students.

New Business - Our flyers will be placed at the Indie Authors Day Event -Oct. 13, at the Alliance for the Arts. Event is free, but must pre-register. Also upcoming Southwest Florida Writers Conference in Port Charlotte.

Next month's meetings: Executive Board - Oct. 16. General Meeting - Oct. 20.

Respectfully submitted: Arlyn Euken, secretary.