

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 09/15/2020
Gulf Coast Writers Association
Location: Fairfield Inn, Fort Myers, FL
Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Executive Committee Members attending: Irene Smith (President), Bob McCarthy, (Program Coordinator), Judy Loose (Website Manager), Jan Nieman (Corporate Board), Wilson Hawthorne (Secretary), Geneva Kelly (Communications), Gwen Brown (Member-At-Large), Tina McNeice, Michael Cole (Treasurer), Don Capelli (via ZOOM)

Meeting:

Irene called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Approved August meeting minutes and July budget.

Geneva Kelly (communication): Presented results of the questionnaire. Did everyone see them or have thoughts? Suggested having interactive exercises in the general meeting to generate inclusion and interest among participants. We discussed adding a live ZOOM component to regular meetings.

Bob McCarthy (programs): The speaker is ready for the September meeting. We also have speakers lined up for October and November. Florida Weekly had a good article about memoir writing.

Mike Cole (treasurer report): Presented August budget. Cash balance is \$5,689.62. This matches bank statement. We have \$200 less than the month before, a concerning trend.

Jan Nieman (corporate board): Using ZOOM would entail having a person running it at each meeting.

Judy Loose (web manager): Suggested discussing bringing in ZOOM and then maybe trying it in October. Also, Judy pointed out it is time to start the writing contest. Irene said she'd talk to Trish, Judy, and Christie about it.

Irene:

Irene adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 6:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Wilson Hawthorne
Secretary, Executive Committee