

# Ozarks Writers League

## Board Meeting Minutes

6:30 pm, November 10, 2021, via Zoom

Attendance: Duke Pennell, Cindy McIntyre, Veda Boyd Jones, Linda Runnebaum, Ronda Del Boccio, Rochelle Wisoff-Fields, Diana West, Russell Gayer, Joy Keeney.

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm.
- 2) Approval of October minutes (Linda moved, Veda 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried)
- 3) Treasurer's report: Pending balance as of 11/7/21 is \$7087.62.
- 4) Committee reports:
  - a) Webmaster: No report from Ricky.
  - b) Membership: Joy reports we have 78 members, 1 of which is new.
  - c) Writing Contest: No report.
  - d) Historian: Linda is still digitizing documents.
  - e) Art Contest: Rochelle said nothing new to report. She needs to know if we are planning on a physical spring conference or another virtual.
  - f) Fundraising: The newsletter editor suggest an anthology of short stories, each story featuring some food dish, then the recipe for said dish is included in the back of the book.
  - g) Social Media: Ronda reported the next Happy OWLer is scheduled for Nov. 16 at 7:00 PM. She will send an email blast to members as well as post it on Facebook.
  - h) Nominating: Need a new chairperson for 2022.
  - i) Newsletter: Kim plans to get the spring issue out significantly earlier than the fall issue was. Anything that should go in the newsletter should be sent to her or Duke.
- 5) Old business:
  - a) Should we let early 2022 renewals decide if they want a refund or want to donate the extra \$10 to OWL? Russell motioned yes, Joy 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved. Veda will send emails to the appropriate members and find out what they want to do.
- 6) New business
  - a) Discuss: Date for spring conference so we can lock in the hotel. April 22-23? It was proposed Duke will contact Camden Hotel in Branson and try to book those dates. Veda motioned, Linda 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.
  - b) Proposed: To pay OWL members for speaking at conferences, including those who spoke at October's event. Rochelle motioned, Joy 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.
  - c) Question: Should OWL have its own paid Zoom account? Proposed Duke will explore options and, if price is around \$15/month, set up an account. Veda motioned, Russell 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.

- d) Cindy and Joy were asked to introduce themselves to the board.
  - e) Proposed next virtual board meeting be held at **6:30 PM on Wednesday, December 8**. Joy motioned, Linda 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.
- 7) Request motion to adjourn. Russell motioned, Veda 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved at 7:20 pm.