

MINUTES

Hawaii Writers Guild

August 8, 2017

Held at Paniolo Country Inn. Lunch at 12:00, meeting at 1:00

Officers of the Guild present:

Ray Pace - President, Cece Johansen -Vice President, Duncan Dempster -Treasurer and Website Officer, Julia Pace - Secretary, and Eila Algood - N. Hawaii Director.

Bryan Furer, South Hawaii Director, and Eliza Cahill, Membership Director did not attend.

Present:

Ray Pace, Duncan Dempster, Julia Pace, Eila Algood, Cece Johansen, Dave Fouts, Jim Gibbons, and Joy Fisher.

Pres. Ray Pace called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

Julia Pace, Secretary, checked off the attendance sheet for those present. Minutes of the last meeting held July 11, 2017 were read and approved without corrections.

We now have thirty-four Guild members.

Ray Pace reported for the Public Relations and Community Outreach Committee. He has set up the HWG critique group at the Thelma Parker Public Library every Wednesday from 10:00 to 1:00 until the end of August. He will be hosting HWG Lit Nite at the library the first Wednesday of every month until the end of the year. It meets from 5:30 – 7:00 PM. Dates are on the flyers attached to this document.

Joy Fisher volunteered to be on the writers contest committee last meeting and Jim Gibbons has also volunteered. We are still looking for someone to chair the committee and are sharing thoughts about how the contest might be organized.

Eila Algood, North Hawaii Director reported that the Guild will be holding three readings at North Kohala Public Library in Hawi. The dates of these readings are Aug. 14, Sept. 25, and Nov. 13 from 6:00 – 7:30 PM. The August 14th meeting has eight readers now and any Guild member who has a book can offer it for sale at the reading. Eila and Amy Elizabeth Gordon have made Public Service Announcements for KNKR radio station in Hawi, an announcement has appeared in the Mountain News and Eila has also posted an announcement on FaceBook.

We had a brief discussion about The Spirit of Kohala, the book Eila has been considering and how it might be published and promoted.

Four of the Board members attended a Listening Circle organized by One Island. They have received a National Endowment for the Arts grant and were seeking community members to meet and share ideas. It remains to be seen whether the grant will cover literature.

Ray Pace proposed that we make John Holland a member of the Guild and paid his dues for this year as a gift. The proposal was carried unanimously and he is our 35th member.

Duncan Dempster reported that we have taken in \$1360 since the inception of HWG and once all expenses have been covered, we will have \$869.16 in cash available. So far, twenty six members have completed their HWG web page designs.

He designed a Calendar of Events page for the HWG website and activated all the Twitter avatars on the site. Our Twitter address is @HIwritersguild.

The next Guild meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017 at Paniolo Country Inn, Waimea 12:00 lunch, the meeting to begin about 1:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Pace, Guild Secretary

Announcements:

Requests for placement on the Agenda for the next Guild meeting on Sept. 12 are required per By-laws to be sent via email to Ray Pace, Guild President at raypacewrites@gmail.com ten days prior to the meeting. Agenda requests are due by Sept. 2nd. The Agenda will be emailed on Sept 7th, five days prior to the meeting.