

LAKE WINNIPEG WRITERS' GROUP  
Minutes Executive Meeting  
September 27, 2015  
Smitty's in Selkirk

1. Adoption of minutes from June executive meeting (Motion Debra, Ruth. Carried).
2. Adoption of the agenda (Motion Jeanne, Tyra. Carried).
3. Treasurer's report (see 3-pages from Debra) (Motion Pam, Tyra. Carried).
4. Reorganization of executive responsibilities:
  - Ruth will take care of membership.
  - Debra is our interim treasurer. Paypal has been re-activated for us.

5. LWWG 20th anniversary (Ruth, Debra)

The Icelandic Museum is available to us at no cost. We have the opportunity of joining in support of the suffrage event also coming to the museum. Sunday the 22nd of May is the date proposed for our event. The suggestion was made to have the Voices 16-1 launch there at the same time, with a second launch later at McNally. Debra will make up a list to facilitate contacting previous members and deceased members' families for request of input. LWWG archival material will be on display. Have a table for members' published work, other than Voices. Have old issues of Voices for sale. Food will be a slab cake from Cosco, dainties provided by members, tea, coffee, juice. The colours for the event will be emerald and white. A grand prize item could be a basket containing a copy of a favourite book of each executive member. We propose to give readings during the event. The possibility of having an *elaborate* prize was mentioned. We need a list of jobs and who does what. We could give scholarships or do an exchange in kind for any who can't afford a ticket to our celebration. Plans will be further fleshed out at our next meeting.

6. Editor's Report.

Maurice says that all is virtually ready. The 15-2 issue will be about 125 pages and is only about a week behind schedule. We will get an editing date in October shortly from Tyra. Locale for this will be the Gaynor Library.

7. Voices, Vol. 15, No. 2 (Tyra) The Launch at McNally has been booked for November.

8. Contest.

-a)Time of year: Motion (Tyra , Maurice) that the contest move from spring to fall as of next year, date to be decided. ( Carried).

-b)Website: Marlene showed us a detailed outline for electronic contest submissions (See 2-page handout from her). We looked at two options for contest implementation, **Form Plugin to the existing website** and **External form service such as JotForm**. Discussed by Marlene. Moved (Jeanne, Debra) for option A . Discussion. Tyra, reflecting on former submissions with *ralan.com*, confirmed this choice. Marlene amended the motion to do the membership with this option too. Carried.

Motion (Tyra, Ruth) to pay Marlene's bill of \$198.94 for construction and website maintenance to date .

Amendment by Marlene: Arrange the website so members can, in future, manage their personal pages themselves and keep them up to date. Carried.

-c) Judges: Di Grant would require a \$100 honorarium for being poetry judge. A better route for the LWWG would be to have her do a workshop for us at some future time instead. Ruth has obtained Bev Greenberg to judge creative non-fiction, Keith Cadieux for fiction and will be in touch with Kevin Spence to be our poetry judge. Ruth will also ask judges to make comments about their judging experience.

-d) Entry Fees: Motion (Debra, Germaine) that we increase the adult entry fee to \$20 and \$5 for additional submissions, youth \$10 and \$5 for additional submissions. Carried.

-e) Approach Rob Janz to get more kids involved for greater numbers of youth submissions. Tyra commented, in regard to honorariums, that we need to be respectful of the monetary needs of artists.

9. Book Store. Simply have members' place their wares on their websites, with a link.

10. Sale of Voices. Email Tyra when you sell a copy. ID the book. Is anyone interested in being a book sales rep at \$1 income per book?

11. The LWWG's new mail address is: Box 284 Matlock ROC 2B0.

12. Subscription : Can we have a subscribe button on our website for hard and eprint copies? Tabled to the next meeting.

13. Future Meetings.

-a) Can we set this up using Scype? Executive, please send Jeanne your Scype addresses.

-b) Motion (Tyra, Jeanne) that we have a future Scype tutorial session. Carried.

14. AGM . Sun 22 Nov. 2pm. Potluck at 1pm at the Gaynor Library.

15. Events:

-a) Slam- 14 Oct. (emcee Debra), 18 Nov. (Marlene), and Dec.16 (Bill?). Marlene will ask Scott if the changed November date works for him.

- b) Nuit Blanche- 26 Sept. The group was cut back in the time they were allowed, but it was fun, with some 30 people in the audience.

16. Correspondence: -a) Barb Glover. Can I sell books on your website? Our response. No, just have a link to our site.

-b) Journal. Ruth will defer till next meeting.

17. The meeting was adjourned.