

North Florida Poetry Hub Chapter - Minutes

Location: Jacksonville, Florida, Zoom platform

Date: May 28, 2022

Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Attendees: Ruth Van Alstine, Sally Constain, Sharon Scholl, Chris Kastle, Paula Babadi, Shutta Crum, Nuala Molloy-Moran, Alyssa B, Suzanne Austin-Hill, Tanjena I.

Agenda items

Minutes from May meeting were approved and accepted as written by attending members. (Sally Constain motioned to accept the minutes and Shutta Crum seconded the motion).

Old Business Reviewed, see Meeting Agenda.

CHAPTER WEBSITE UPDATES:

New Business:

1. **FUTURE PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Thus far the Committee consists of Paula Babadi, Sally Constain, Diane Rabideau-Wise and Ruth Van Alstine. Anyone interested in joining the committee is welcome, contact Ruth. No meeting has been set up yet. More to report next Chapter meeting. **Any project ideas are welcome.** Submit these to Ruth Van Alstine.
2. **CHEERFUL CARD POETRY:** Poems for our December Seasonal Cards are due June 30th. Please submit 2 short poems to Ruth. Criteria instructions at bottom of this report. These are the same as has been the past several years.
3. **100 THOUSAND POETS FOR CHANGE:** Our involvement in this Worldwide event is in September. We are starting plans for this now. If you would like to be involved, please come to the next Chapter meeting where it will be discussed further. A July planning Event Meeting will be scheduled. Thus far Read-A-Poem-To-A-Child: Sally Constain and Shani Hall will contact the Ponte Vedra and downtown Jacksonville libraries about holding live children's poetry readings. Ruth Van Alstine is heading up the Poetry-Music-Art call-for-submissions to create videos for viewing on the Chapter You-Tube channel, 100K Poets for Change website and archives. We will also host a virtual and possibly live Open Mic's. Ruth will reach out to Word Revolt Art Gallery in Atlantic Beach to inquire about hosting a 100k Poets for Change show/open mic in September.
4. **CHAPTER WEBSITE UPDATES:** The Chapter website has been updated. Please check your bios - there are two pages that list the bios; one for Poet's Pen and one for Members. Send any updates to Ruth.
5. **SOCIAL MEDIA:** Instagram and Twitter accounts have been created for the chapter **NFLPoetryhub** Please "follow" and like. If you find unique poetry associated photographs, please forward to Ruth and she will post to our accounts.

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
The Poet's Pen	Ruth Van Alstine / Poets who are involved in their Poet's Pen volumes	None	Ruth Van Alstine working with Cynthia. Anyone else interested contact Ruth
NFPH/FSPA Bookmarks	Ruth Van Alstine/members	On-going	Being distributed and is on-going - contact Ruth for more bookmarks
"Create-Submit-Celebrate"	Enrolled Participants	Enrollment until June 30 th 2022	Active - Contact RuthVan Alstine with any questions and to submit monthly totals.
Calling for new projects new committee "Future Projects Committee"	Members: Sally Constain, Ruth Van Alstine, Diane Rabideau-Wise, Paula Babadi	On-going	Contact Ruth Van Alstine with your ideas or if you would like to join Committee
100 Thousand Poets for Change	Ruth Van Alstine, Sally Constain, Shani Hall, Members	Event in September	Virtual/live Open Mics, Library children's readings (read-a-poem), possible Art Gallery Show, Poetry/music/Art videos
"Cheerful Poems"	All Members	Due July 1	Poems for Nursing home cards/Charity Project
Chapter Website Member Bios	All Members	Due ASPA	Website has been updated. Please check bios/send changes to Ruth. It was also encouraged to submit feedback and testimonials.
Twitter and Instagram	Chapter	Ongoing	Chapter now has Twitter and Instagram media accounts NFLPoetryhub Please follow and like!

After sharing our new “*Member Publishing Update*” stories from the “Create-Submit-Celebrate” program we participated in an ekphrastic poetry prompt of a unique photograph picture (included with the minutes) with poetry share. It was enjoyable for all in attendance.

Next Chapter meeting is scheduled for June 25th, 2022 at 2 pm.



Nursing Home Holiday Cards.

Submit 2 poems for consideration to the project -

Poem Specs:

Calibri 18 Point

30 characters in a line (across)

11 lines (down) (including all spaces between title, and spaces between stanzas. does not include space before signature or your (c) signature line -

** Refer to “INS-OUTS-PUBLISHING” presentation for further clear explanation of lines and character counts

- Poem can be 12-14 lines but preference is 12 or under