

Alaska Center for the Book

January 8, 2014

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE: Trish Jenkins, Jessie Nixon, Sara Juday, Elizabeth Nicolai (filling in for Rayette), Lila Vogt, Melissa Boyce, Carol Sturgulewski, and Sue Sherif.

DECEMBER MINUTES: Trish motioned to approve and Sara seconded.

OLD BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL REPORT: Lila presented that the Cash in Bank (CIB) reflects the following: General Funds: \$9,147.15; Poems in Place (PIP): \$19,603.58; and the Outstanding Accts Rec from COSLA for Bookfest: \$2,102.00.

LAL: Level 3 has 50 entries but Levels 1 and 2 are still being sorted—no data yet. Jessie will get the information in February.

PIP: Continuing to raise funds. Project turned down by the Arts Council, so we need \$17,400. We already have \$7,000 from the Alaska Humanities Forum and we'll need to raise an additional \$5,000. ACB donated \$500 last fiscal year and unanimously agreed to donate another \$500 for 2014.

CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST: The poster was sent out and has been heavily promoted to state librarians and the Alaska Literacy Council but there are less than 30 entries for all of the categories. The deadline is still February 10. Sara asked for more judges.

READING RENDEZVOUS: Robin Brooks has been hired as the coordinator. Letters have been sent out to sponsors for contributions. A special committee will be held on January 17 at 4 p.m. at Loussac. The event date is scheduled for Saturday, May 17 and the theme will be "Fizz, Boom, Read"---focused on science.

GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESENTATION: Panelists, Lee Post, David Stevenson, Jennifer Stone, Eric Helmick, and Mark Muro, will discuss the theme, "Are Graphic Novels Really Books?" The event will be held on February 6 at 7 p.m. at the Loussac Library in the Wilda Marston Theatre. See the flyer on Facebook for more details: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AlaskaCenterfortheBook/>

OTHER: Members of ACB will donate to Pick, Click, Give.

NEW BUSINESS:

FUNDRAISING: use the celebrity Jeopardy game to create an event with food and alcohol sometime in early October. Further research into a location is needed. Trish brought the idea of an intern to the table. The intern would come from UAA and would be responsible for research and fundraising. For example, s/he would make calls, contact the celebrities, write questions for the game, engage in PR, etc. The issue will be discussed further after Trish talks with Suzanne Forster.

GIFT FOR SHERRI: The ACB wishes to honor Sherri Douglas's service by giving her a framed print from the artist who created the original logo for the Alaska Center for the Book. Carol will find out more information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next meeting: February 5 in the Diplomacy Building