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POETRY IN PROGRESS

MEETING AGENDA - Monday, May 2, 2011, 6-7:45

Location: DeSoto Public Library -
Teen Room

1. Table was set up at entrance for sign-in and name tags attended by Bobbi Williams.
2. Refreshments were served before meeting began by Kerry Knox, Manager of the Blue Cow, We have a card to be signed by everyone at our next meeting as a Thank You.
3. Elizabeth Hobbs filled in as Moderator at Mr. Curriers request as he was out of town.
 - a. Old business
 - i. Marketing efforts were discussed in detail by Marikay Dewberry. She gave a thorough explanation as to the steps it would take to become certified. It was the Members consensus that we wanted this kept as a option for the future but did not feel that we were ready to take this step at this time.
 - b. New business
 - i. Officers were elected as follows: Mr. Glen Currier was elected President. Motion was made by Harold Boswell, seconded and the vote was unanimous for Mr. Currier to be our President.

Elizabeth Hobbs was voted to be Vice President by the same process.

Bobbie Williams was voted as Secretary by the same process.
 - ii. It was decided that a quiet timer would be used to allow each member 5 minutes for each reading. An extra minute was allowed if the member was in the middle of the reading then a small bell was sounded. Everyone seemed to like this idea and it gave us more time to have a second round of reading.
 - iii. Dave Bates brought up the idea that we figure out some way to make copies of each members poems so that they could be distributed if this was agreeable with the writer.

Comment: A special Thanks should be given to Mr. James Blaylock for taking the time to contact each person to remind them of the upcoming meeting.

A special Thanks to Mr. Victor Bowling for helping with the sound system.

New information was brought to our attention by our Library Director, Lucile Dade. October is going to be Edgar Allen Poe month and she suggested that this might be a good time for us to have another open Mic reading in the Blue Cow and participate by reciting very scary poems of our own making or some by Edgar Allen Poe. We need to get with her and get all the details as to how the city is going to carry out this activity.

Thanks to everyone who helped set-up the room and put everything back into place. We stayed within the time frame and finished just as the Library was beginning to close.

A special comment to Mr. Glenn Currier as to how much his presence was missed and that we are glad to have him back.

Minutes prepared by: Bobbie Williams and Elizabeth Hobbs