

AAUW – MINUTES OF MEETING: September 20, 2025

Karla Marroquin began the meeting by announcing the addition of eight (8) new members. She reviewed all our interest groups.

Claudia Ward introduced the speaker, Ellen Jan Janverick. She is a teacher and author, having published quite a few children's books. She spoke about self-publishing and how to become a writer. She began with a published story in Jack & Jill Magazine.

Ellen continues to teach. Her latest book is Awesome of the Day

Self-publishing works; however, the writer must be willing to do all the things an agent or publisher would do, marketing, finding an artist for the jacket cover. It will cost the writer approximately \$10,000 to get the book launched.

Business Meeting

Jan Witt introduced the new members present and guests.

New members:

- Ann Marie Kajencki who has lived in Loveland for 5 years.
- Dee Chasarek who has been in Loveland for 10 years. She is assisting with the website.
- Gayle Schneider. She has been a resident of Loveland for 35 years. She is a retired teacher.
- Ellen Shupe who went to school with some of our members.
- Not present: Chris Werner, Kathy Wilson, Susan Jackson and Linda Bee.

Reminder: Meeting time has been changed from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be a review of the bylaw changes. And a vote on adoption on the changes. The changes are primarily to bring us into compliance with national.

Many positions are open. Important for members to volunteer. Current officers would stay on to mentor the new officer.

Charity for Christmas is Child Safe. We will tour the facility on December 12 at 4:00 p.m. The number one item needed is cash, not coats or mittens.

Then there will be a potluck with the location to be determined. We need someone to step up and volunteer.

Jan Witt leads the Membership Committee

Teri Smith spoke to role of Treasurer: collect membership dues, put new members into the system, flower Sale, Conversation with Authors, pay insurance, prepare the Budget. Taxes are handled by National. Scholarship checks go directly to the universities.

Karla Marroquin: President. Communicator and coordinator, run meetings, make up agenda, preside over board meetings, meetings with State on quarterly basis via zoom.

Committees are on their own to own to accomplish their goals. Kala Marroquin emphasized that she must have a replacement. Teri Smith stressed that she needs a replacement as well.

If there is no leadership, no Club.

Meeting adjourned.