

**SWING**  
**Autumn General Meeting**  
**Friday, October 23, 2009, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, Abingdon, VA**

**MINUTES**

**Members present:** Lorraine Abraham (Emory & Henry College), Jane Caldwell (Emory & Henry College), Brenda Collins (Carroll County High School), Lucy Glenn (Pulaski Public Library), Cathy Hanshew (Business Manager), Jody Hanshew (Emory & Henry College), Janet Kirby (Emory & Henry College), Kelly McBride (Russell County Public Library), Charlotte Parsons (Washington County), Julie Roberson (King College), Laurie Roberts (Tazewell County Public Library), Naydine Shenk (New River Community College), Barbara Stepp (MCPS/Blacksburg High School), Brenda Tester (Montgomery County/Eastern Montgomery H.S.), Adam Webb (Wythe-Grayson Regional Library)

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by President Lorraine Abraham at 10:00 a.m.

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Program Committee Co-Chair Julie Roberson introduced Dr. Katherine Vande Brake, Dean of the School of Arts & Sciences at King College. Dr. Vande Brake presented a very interesting program discussing her research for her book, Through the Back Door, which “focuses on Melungeons through the lenses of school literacy and Internet presence.” Every one enjoyed the presentation and had an opportunity to ask questions at its conclusion.

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The business meeting began following the end of the program, at approximately 12:00 noon.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the July 24, 2009 meeting were approved.

**Financial Report:** Treasurer Kelly McBride and Business Manager Cathy Hanshew reported that the checking account balance is \$13,725.52, the savings account balance is \$12,281.23 and there is over \$20,000.00 in each of the CDs (Total is \$45,000).

**Committee Reports**

**Children’s/Young Adult Services:** no report

**Continuing Education Programs:** Co-Chair Julie Roberson reported that the online workshop was a success, with 22 participants.

**Contracts:** Lorraine reported for Contracts Administrator Carolea Newsome. The library materials contracts went into effect July 1, 2009 and will go until 2012. There are 23 vendors and the PDFs are on the SWING website. The vendors cover both print and AV materials. All of

them are members of EVA and state agencies can use them. There is a list of FAQs on the website.

The current contracts for supplies and serials will be ending December 2010. At that time, we will try to make the new contracts (which will go from January 2010 to December 2013) compliant with state requirements so that state agencies like the community colleges can use them.

**Membership:** Business Manager Cathy Hanshew reported that we now have 124 members, with 20 new members (quite a few from North Carolina). This is the largest membership we have had.

**Scholarship:** Lorraine reported for Chair Steve Vest. There is only one application for the upcoming scholarship. Members were asked to encourage those who are eligible to apply. Scholarship funds are for library school or professional development.

**Legislative:** Lorraine reported for Chair Cy Dillon. She mentioned that the SWING website has two links, one for VLA's legislative listserv and one for a VLA training workshop in legislative matters. The legislative agenda for VLA includes continued funding for FindItVA, no new funding requests and no cuts.

**Web Page:** Webmaster Jody Hanshew asked people to let him know if they have anything they want to have put on the SWING website.

## **Old Business**

(No old business)

## **New Business**

The FY2010 SWING budget that the Executive Board approved needed to be ratified. Copies of the proposed budget were passed out to everyone. The actual budget is a little better than what was shown because of the increase in membership and money that was made from the online workshop. Janet Kirby made a motion to ratify the budget and Adam Webb seconded it. The motion was approved.

There was some discussion about using SWING Continuing Education money to fund workshops or staff development programs at the spring meeting, possibly for 3 one-hour programs. It was suggested that we conduct a survey to see if people would be interested in this and also to ask about possible topics. Since there was not a large response to the last survey, the group also discussed ways to involve more people, possibly by re-populating the listserv. It was agreed that everyone try to get a few more people to sign up for the listserv.

Kelly McBride made a motion to authorize the Continuing Education Programs Committee to, if feasible, use funds to plan the spring meeting as a workshop-based event, with the possibility of cost-differential for SWING members. The motion was passed.

**Announcements:**

Barbara Kingsolver will be presenting a program at the Higher Education Center on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. She will be reading from her newest book and will be signing copies.

The School Library Association meeting is coming up soon, in Charlottesville, and VEMA will be two weeks after that.

Kelly McBride made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brenda Collins seconded and the motion was approved.

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Naydine Shenk, Secretary