

GLAAM Board of Directors

Official Minutes

January 2, 2021

Conducted Electronically via Zoom

	Secretary	Delegate	Members-at-Large
Mid-City	[X] Vesper Burnett	[X] Jordan Albert	[X] Gregory Williamson
Coastal	[X] Alma Munro	[X] Madeline Walker	[X] Andrea Nolan
SFV	[X] Jana Bickel	vacant	[O] Gene Schneider
ELAC	vacant	vacant	[O] Sandra Smith
Hi-Desert	[O] Craig Lancaster	[X] Bruce Smith	[O] Courtney Seiter
Inland Empire	[O] Wilbert Woo	vacant	

[X] = present for entire meeting, [/] = present for portion, [O] = absent with leave, [#] = consecutive unexcused absence(s)

Guests: Jonathan Elliott, Brian Madsen, Toni Hansen, Vickey Kalambakal, Diane Takenaka, Charles Lindenblatt, Trevor Gililand, Mildred Phillips

I. Opening

- A. Call to Order – 11:02 am.
- B. Approval of Agenda – (Bickel / Walker) approved 8/0/0
- C. Approval of Previous Minutes – as amended (Williamson / Bickel) – approved 8/0/0

II. Reports

A. Executive Officers

- i. Chairman (Munro) - Regional chairs are working together remotely. A fireside chat is being held by our regional chair. We are working closer together via Connect. Feb we will have our volunteers luncheon via Zoom. Reminder to get nominations for next year.
- ii. Exec Vice Chair (Open) - open position
- iii. Vice Chair (G. Schneider) - not present
- iv. Sec (Burnett / Albert) – no report
- v. Treasurer (B Smith) – \$26382.59 general funds, \$6423.62 RG funds.

B. Area Reports

- i. Mid City (Burnett/Albert) – No report
- ii. Coastal (Walker/Munro) - No report
- iii. ELAC (Open) - No report
- iv. Hi-Desert (Lancaster/ B. Smith) - No report
- v. Inland Empire (Woo) - Not present, but some members are joining OC groups.
- vi. SFV (Bickel) – Zoom party next Thursday. Book Discussion SIG has expanded it to add OC members.

C. Members-at-Large

- i. Nolan - No report
- ii. Schneider - not present
- iii. S. Smith - not present
- iv. Williamson - GLAAM Presents held a screening. Working on expanding presence via email and other online communication.
- v. Seiter - not present

D. Committees and Coordinators

- i. Awards (J Elliott) - no report
- ii. By-laws (J Elliott) - ComChair has observed through his paid work that (for whatever combination of reasons) postal deliveries often seem to be taking much longer these days than they usually did before the recent general election, so any GLAAM members who are

still intending to participate in the current bylaws election are advised to mail their ballots expeditiously.

iii. Elections (Fenig / Friedlander) - not present

iv Ombudsman (Friedlander) - not present

v. Gifted Youth (Walker) - no events last month, but sent info to inquisitive members.

Teens will be welcome to RG. One new teen can talk to Sara to see what's going on. Some youth attended OC meetings.

vi. Regional Gathering (Walker) - coming right along! Look online for updated info. Will go national. Will work to keep a list of attendees to keep track of Zoom participation in case we need to add a room. One event, host Randal Mills will host storytelling. We are all invited to tell a story! Contact Randal to tell him your story. Info on <https://glaam.org/rg>.

vii. Scholarships (Takenaka) - This year we have 1/3 of last year. We probably have enough judges, but just in case we can help with an email blast.

viii. Social Media Coordinators (Albert) – still working with Greg on streamlining communication.

ix. Special Events (Walker) - Hamilton was cancelled, but perhaps we can make plans later this year. (Munro) – collecting info on when the volunteer luncheon could be held, will mail out awards. Might use uber eats or other food delivery service. (Walker) – Should we have awards ceremony for both years combined in April, or have one in Feb and one in Apr? We agree one big one in April would be best.

x. Strategic Planning (Munro) - no report

xi. Testing (D. Elliott) – on hold

xii. Circulation (Madsen) - USPS balance is about \$300, needs to be topped off. Otherwise all is well. On a separate note, the calendar is not appearing on the website.

xiii. Data (Madsen) - All is well, updated Facebook, reports are sent.

xiv. LA-mentary (Kalambakal / Phillips) - Mildred Phillips has volunteered to help with the newsletter! She will start attending meetings regularly. Walker will send RG info for registration and general info. Regular election info will be in next issue. Any reports or announcements welcome.

xv. Open Forum (Albert) - connected with Day Sanchez, who agreed to be a speaker for open forum via Zoom. Details forthcoming.

xvi. SIGHT (Chew) - no report

xvii. SIGs (Madsen) – no report

xviii. Webmaster (Gililland) – no report, but attempting to gain access to web assets.

xix. Mensaphone (Schneider) - not present

xx. PR (Williamson) - still trying to work on engaging the community. A couple auditions were held last month.

xxi. Membership (Williamson) – emails continue.

III. Special Orders (continued)

a. Appointment of webmaster - (Munro) - Trevor Gililland has officially been appointed webmaster

b. Appointment of L.A Mentary editor – (Munro) - Mildred Phillips has officially been appointed as LA-Mentary editor

IV. Unfinished Business

V. New Business

VI. Closing

A. Good of the Order – (J Elliott) new calendar code 'Z' for Zoom meetings a great new addition!

B. Adjournment – (Munro / Burnett) approved 8/0/0 at 12:26

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Mini-Minutes
Board Meeting – January 2, 2021

Meeting called to order at 11:02 am over Zoom, with Board members Burnett, Munro, Bickel, Williamson, Albert, Walker, B Smith, and Nolan present, in addition to guests Jonathan Elliott, Brian Madsen, Toni Hansen, Vickey Kalambakal, Diane Takenaka, Charles Lindenblatt, Trevor Gililland, Milly Phillips. Executive officers, area secretaries, coordinators and committee chairs gave updates. The board discussed the volunteer lunch, scholarships, and the RG. We welcome Mildred Phillips as a member of the L.A. Mentary editing team and Trevor Gililland as our new webmaster. Meeting adjourned at 12:26pm.