

## **Nebraska Center for Book Annual Membership Meeting Minutes - November 6, 2010.**

Nebraska Center for Book annual membership meeting was held on Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 2:30 pm at Nebraska History Museum. The meeting was convened by Matt Mason, Vice-President, and followed with introductions of those present.

Present: Nancy Johnson, Lois Meyer, Sherry Houston, Mary Ellen Ducey, Laureen Riedesel, Dick Allen, Mary Rabenberg, Rod Wagner, Matt Mason, Molly Fisher, Sharon Bishop, Karen Pollak, Oliver B. Pollak, Carol Connor.

Minutes: Motion to approve November 14, 2009 minutes made by Carol Connor. Seconded by Rod Wagner. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Sherry Houston reported and distributed reports covering January 1, 2010 through November 14, 2010. Spent more than earned this year. Received \$7,500.00 from Nebraska Library Commission. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Mary Ellen Ducey. Seconded by Sharon Bishop. Motion passed.

Vice President's Report: Matt Mason reported. Outstanding book award event. Very excited about today's events.

National Book Festival: Sherry Houston reported. Mary Jo Ryan, Sherry Houston, Erika Hamilton, and Debra Dragos represented NCB at 2010 National Book Festival in Washington DC. Staffed Nebraska table and gave out bookmarks and pencils. About 150,000 attendees at festival. Many kids visited Nebraska table. Also attended Library of Congress Center for Book state reps meeting.

Letters About Literature. Laureen Riedesel reported. Letters are from the heart. Received 543 entries from 21 different schools. Winners receive award and certificates go to alternate winners. Kids' letters archived at Jane Pope Geske Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors. Thanked Rod Wagner for arranging luncheon for winners at Nebraska Club and thanked Mary Jo Ryan for the publicity.

One Book One Nebraska: Nancy Johnson thanked Nebraska Center for the Book for designating Wright Morris for 2010 and for publicizing Wright Morris Centennial.

New Business:

Election of Board Members: Motion to unanimously approve ballot of J V Brummels, Becky Faber and Marjorie Saiser to serve as board members made by Carol Connor. Seconded by Laureen Riedesel. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Sharon Bishop. Seconded by Sherry Houston. Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.

Carol Connor, Secretary