## Nebraska Center for the Book Annual Membership Meeting

November 8, 2014, 2:30 p.m. Nebraska Library Commission 1200 N St. Lincoln, Nebraska

Members present: Mary Ellen Ducey, Amanda Gailey, Christine Walsh, Molly Fisher, Donna Marvin, Becky Faber, Sharon Bishop, Nancy Johnson, Erika Hamilton, Nancy Peek, Chuck Peek, Cathy Mohnike, Kara Goll, Rod Wagner, Lois Meyer, Chuck Johanningsmeier

President Mary Ellen Ducey called the meeting to order at 2:40.

Minutes from October 26, 2013 annual membership meeting, as submitted by Lois Meyer, were approved with corrections. Christine made the motion, and Sharon seconded.

Donna Marvin presented the financial report – Chuck will check with the UN-O College of Arts and Sciences about payment.

## President's Report:

The 2015 Book Festival will be held April 25, 2015 at the Community Engagement Center, 6001 Dodge St. Omaha, NE

We will be responsible for setting up chairs.

Molly began a discussion about how we need to focus on raising attendance at the Book Festival. Changes will happen with the Book Festival as funding from Humanities Nebraska changes. The consensus was to continue the discussion about possible changes at the next board meeting.

The electronic literary map is at the UN-L library in the Nebraska Heritage Room.

Nebraska Center for the Book will send board members to the National Book Festival.

The Idea Exchange will be in May, 2015, in Washington DC. A member of the board will attend.

President Mary Ellen offered a sincere thank you to Sharon Bishop for her years of service on the NCB board.

## Member's Comments:

No members came forward with comments or concerns.

## **New Business:**

The election of new members of the board was held: elected by acclamation were Becky Faber, Sherry Houston and Julia Kennedy as new board members.

Returning board members elected: Mary Ellen Ducey, Amanda Gailey, Gary Wasdin. Nancy Johnson, Donna Marvin and Chuck Johanningsmeier will be up for reelection at the next membership meeting.

The next NCB meeting will be scheduled for a date in March 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.