

# **Minutes for the General Meeting of the Northwest Screenwriters Guild**

**March 16, 2018; 6:19PM**

**West Seattle Public Library**

The Board introduced themselves to the members.

Geof Miller – President

Michael DiMartino – Treasurer

David Larson – Compendium

George Thomas – Social Media/Web/Membership

Betty Ryan – Compendium

Bill Murry – Sponsorships

Board Members Absent

Jeremy Dodd – Outreach

A review of the membership confirmed that the Guild currently has 70 members and is growing.

Former Board member Staci Bernstein posed several questions regarding Board membership.

Geoff Miller addressed the membership as to the need for diversity on the Board and that all the members of the Guild are responsible for identifying candidates that would make good Board members. He also affirmed that it is not required that someone be a member of the Guild to be on the Board.

Michael DiMartino presented the Treasurer's Report which was accepted by the membership.

David Larson explained the process and requirements of becoming a Compendium member. He stressed the need for professionalism.

George Thomas described what was happening with the Website and the need for contributions to the blog. He is also testing a CRM for membership. The possibility to linking the Guild web page to individual websites was discussed.

Staci Bernstein outlined some upcoming events which included presentations by Wendy Kram (April), John August and Craig Mazin (August) and several others throughout the summer and fall. The Guild will also be offering educational opportunities, i.e. Look Books, throughout the year.

Staci also requested that the board officers and committee chairs document the responsibilities of their position and that those expectations get posted to our website so that we can have accountability and future leadership has a strong starting point. The board agreed.

Member Wally Lane suggested the need for monthly membership meetings. He and Staci will look into the logistics and cost of holding monthly meetings.

A slate of officers for the next year was put forth by the Board.

Geof Miller – President

Jeremy Dodd – Vice President

Michael DiMartino – Secretary/Treasurer

The slate was voted on and approved by the membership.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10PM.