

NIDAT meeting on January 9, 2019, was held at the big conference room in the Mason City Public Library. In attendance were Jane Ginapp, Katie Koehler, April Concepcion and Dan Gapinski. The meeting was called to order by Jane at 4:40 p.m. There was no Treasurer's Report. Jack is recovering well from his injury.

A quorum was determined.

The minutes from last month's meeting on December 12th, was read by Jane to everyone. It noted that the prizes for the contest for Art and Writing will be increased respectively - 1st is \$100, 2nd is \$50 and 3rd place is \$25. Katie was going to find 2 judges for Art and 2 judges for Writing. February 12th, is the judging date, and the awards ceremony is on March 7th. Fliers and communications will be sent out by Jane after proof of the posters. The minutes was accepted and approved, a motion to pass was made by April and seconded by Katie.

Website update – no update. Katie had ideas on a possible contact to get the site updated.

Election of officers – none took place. A nomination can be done via e-mail to Jane and Merle to be discussed on the next NIDAT meeting on February 13th.

Brochure Committee – no update. Dan will initiate contact with Merle and Emily. Dan's new role at Principal may have some impact on attendance to meetings/events.

Development Committee – No response from Purdue, Dan has tried to make contact.

Special Events – Art and Writing Contest:

Katie named Dea Stanton and Andrea Mujica as judges for Writing and Ted Beith and Alison Dannen for Art. Jane sent the judges confirmation e-mails with details for the dates/venue for judging and fliers of the contest. Jane sent Amanda Ragan an e-mail inviting her to the awards ceremony.

Jane updated the slides that will be posted in Facebook. Jazz band has been contacted and confirmed to play during the awards ceremony. Diane Murphy will be the contact for the Girls Scout cookies that will be provided as an after-awards snack.

Press release to media has been accomplished by Jane. Posters will be put up in public bulletin boards to increase awareness and promote the contest - example the Mason City Library.

Order forms for the book with compilation of the submitted works will be used again this year. April will work on the form.

Next meeting will ask for volunteers to man the two tables to sign in attendees who are receiving an award, setup snacks table, camera, and other set up activities needed to be discussed.

The motion to adjourn was made by Dan and April seconded. The motion passed, the meeting ended at 5:28 p.m.

~April