

November 2023 NASFA Minutes

by Steve Sloan

The November meeting of the North Alabama Science Fiction Association was called to order on Saturday, November 18, 2023 in the Madison satellite location of Willowbrook Baptist Church at 6:06:44 PM by President Mary Lampert.

OLD BUSINESS

Nope.

NEW BUSINESS

The NASFA Christmas party will be held at Mike K's house on the third Saturday in December, from 4 PM to tennish. As usual, bring food and drinks to share. Mike is planning to serve a real meal at 6 PM. We will have a \$10 to \$15 gift exchange at 5 PM, rules to be determined. There probably won't be board gaming before the Christmas party.

Officer nominations were opened up. Judy said she didn't want to run Programming again. Sam nominated Jenny Leach for Programming, someone seconded, and she declined. Doug nominated Ray, who declined.

Judy nominated Doug and Bruce seconded.

Sam nominated the existing slate of officers and Jim seconded.

There were other miscellaneous nominations that weren't actually seconded. Doug nominated Bruce for President. Judy was nominated for Publicity, Jim for President, and Ray for Vice President.

Sam moved to close nominations, Jenny seconded, and the motion carried.

The January meeting will be held at Martin and Misty's church toward Meridianville. There will be an email reminder closer to the meeting. So far January is the only meeting we're planning to move there.

Sam moved to hold elections tonight, and Doug seconded.

Sam moved to accept the uncontested nominations, Jim seconded, and the motion carried many to two.

There were two nominations for Programming Director, Judy and Doug. Doug received two votes, and Judy received seven.

NOT-A-CON BUSINESS

There was a brief discussion of how the 2023 Not-A-Con went. Should we nominate a 2024 Not-A-Con chair?

Sam moved to nominate a Not-A-Con chair, and Judy seconded.

Sam nominated Jim and Tracey, who declined.

Judy nominated Mary, and Jim seconded.

Doug nominated Ray, Jim seconded, and Ray declined.

Jenny declined.

Sam moved to close nominations and Judy seconded.

Mary “won” many to one.

In summary, the 2024 NASFA officers will be:

- President: Mary Lampert
- Vice-President: Gary Shelton
- Secretary: Steve Sloan
- Treasurer: Samuel A. Smith
- Program Director: Judy Smith
- Publicity Director: Samuel A. Smith
- Not-A-Con 2024 Chair: Mary Lampert

Sam had NESFA newsletters to hand to whoever wanted them.

Judy announced that we will do crafts for January programming.

Dues will be due in January. Doug suggested that we may want to change our dues structure because it was intended to pay for paper newsletters we no longer send out. Treasurer Sam noted that the current dues break even with expenses.

Sam moved to adjourn at 6:30:42 PM.

For the November program, Judy brought a computer Jeopardy game that uses amateur submissions, and we played multiple games. Some answers/questions were clearly better written than others. Some were hilarious nonsense. The After the Meeting Meeting was held at the same location as the meeting.