

**WGPO Monthly Minutes**  
From Kathleen Murphy, Secretary  
Sunday, March 6th, 2024

Note: Agenda is as specified in WGPO Articles of Incorporation

**Attending:**

Board members: Laurie, Jan, John, Will, Bennett, Kathleen

Absent: none

**Call to Order and Welcome:**

President Laurie Cohen called the meeting to order at 6:31 central time, March 6th 2024.

***Approval of Agenda of current meeting***

Per new process: Kathleen circulated it one week in advance of the meeting via Slack. Please add agenda items anytime, right up to the meeting time. Then we all have it in advance of the meeting. We approved this process in the March 2023 meeting.

***Reading and Approval of Minutes of the preceding meeting***

Per new process: Kathleen will post minutes in Slack for approval for one week after the meeting. One week after the meeting, she will get them online. That gives everyone time to read and make comments without trying to get six approvals. If you don't comment in that week, it will be considered your approval. We approved this process in the April 2023 meeting.

***Reports of Officers:***

1. Lexicon rollout update. We are underway. Laurie to talk to Charles to have it be its own tab so easily findable for the future. Seth will put our lexicon in ULU. There is a study sheet as well. It is called WOW24 (WGPO Official Words 2024)
2. Contract signing: directors can sign, it does not have to always be Laurie. Can we move this task to the directors for the future?
  - a. We may have more people in ABQ - the contract spells out 200 and we may need to plus to 250+ so we may need to amend
3. Conrad's open board spot will be filled by Maurice Ross. We are delighted he's joining us! Thank you Maurice!
4. Social media/publicity - Kathleen and Will
  - a. Will has been doing some posts showcasing upcoming events. We will get him admin rights so that he can make an instagram account too.

- b. Kathleen has written “How to start a club”, she circulated via Slack this week
- c. Kathleen has asked T&R if they are ok if we put “Interested in being a director? Click here for more info” and it will email T&R on the website. Kathleen asked T&R if they would all be ok grading hopefully a lot of additional tests as we try to grow this.
- d. Did we want to pursue Mailchimp? How do we want to pay?
  - i. Mailchimp/easy mailing
    - 1. Mailchimp \$45/mo for our number of addresses (will go up to \$60 when we go over 2500 addresses)
    - 2. Constant contact is \$75/mo for our number of address
  - e. Website posts and/or pics of players, like what Ruth used to do (ideally lots of people do this and not just a few)
- 5. School Scrabble
  - a. We will have a tab for School Scrabble so we can have all-year support. We will write a “how to start a school scrabble club” doc. We will put on fun kids word lists like all birds, all fish, all the baseball hall of farmers that you can play, fun pairs like cruelty/cutlery, etc.

***Old or unfinished business:***

- 6. Directing software
  - a. Maybe in 2024 from Woogles
    - i. Kathleen directed Madison online via Woogles and it was a dream. Really nice and easy to use.
  - b. Tsh training - is there a one-pager or can we lead training?
- 7. Geezer prize

***Adjournment***

We adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm Central time.