

Anson County Writers' Club
Minutes for June 2011

The Anson County Writers' Club met at the Chamber of Commerce office at 3:00 p.m. on June 26, 2011. Vice President Randy Tarlton opened the meeting. Carla Marshall read the minutes of the March meeting. Following a motion by Ruth Hickman and a second by Kaye Ratliff, the minutes were approved as read by a show of hands.

Old Business: The May meeting was postponed from Sunday until Tuesday to avoid conflicting with the Anson Singers inaugural concert. Fred Parker IV spoke on "Books, Music, and Art in Law and in Contracts." The program was well attended and well received with many questions from the audience. No business was conducted and no minutes were taken. The conference oversight committee has found two featured speakers for next year's writers' conference: novelist Margaret Maron and poet Anthony S. Abbott. The 4th Carolinas Writers Conference will be held on April 14th. Any suggestions from the club concerning the conference will be appreciated.

New Business: Nominations for officers for 2011-2013; Sandy Bruney agreed to keep the office of secretary. Randy Tarlton said he would remain as Vice President and as a contest co-chairman. Since we were not sure how many members we needed for a quorum, we decided that we need a short business meeting on July 24 at 3:00 to finalize the nominations and tweak the contest rules and entry forms. It was suggested that we invite Juan Cordova (person in charge of writing for the Anson County Board Schools) to our August meeting. Business portion of the meeting was ended so that we could have open mic.

Open Mic: Kaye Ratliff shared two poems "Traveling 109 on a Winter evening" and "Traveling 109 on a Late Spring Afternoon." Fannie Mae Perkins shared an excerpt of her book that she is writing. Leila Evans shared two of her poems: "Resurrection" and "The Dance of Heavy Heart." Constructive feedback was offered by those present.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Randy Tarlton, Carla Marshall, Fannie Mae Perkins, Ruth Hickman, Leila Evans, and Kaye Ratliff.