

SPJ May meeting minutes

(Minutes taken by President Ellen Eldridge)

Present Board members were Ellen Eldridge, president; Dan Whisenhunt, treasurer; Lou Phelps, secretary; Haisten Willis (voted by email before meeting in favor of all agenda items); Jennifer Matthews; Roderic Graham; Jay Suber (at 8:30). A quorum of members was met (board is at 9).

Board members not present: Mark Thomason

Neha Negandhi was dismissed from the board for nonpayment of dues

Chapter members listening on call:
Bobby Rodrigo, Alisen Redmond

March minutes approved

Tabled vote on PO Box

Will have report on last year's profits and new budget for June. Board approved a bare bones budget.

Board approved a max of \$350 for lunch and learn meetings designed to draw freelance membership.

Board voted to sponsor AABJ "inspire black men" event June 10 with \$500
Jennifer will work to arrange a meeting between members of AABJ and SPJGA boards before national conventions.

Jay Suber will turn in a May member spotlight by May 18 and Jennifer will turn in a spotlight by June 15.

Jay Suber will chair a 3-person nominating committee for the purpose of identifying, vetting and encouraging people to join and run for Board positions in 2018. A slate is needed by November 1 to hold elections in mid December via email.

Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.