

**ROMANCE WRITERS OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**  
**Annual General Meeting Minutes**  
**August 7, 2021**  
**Virtual via Zoom Webinar**

President LaQuette called the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of Romance Writers of America, Incorporated, to order at 12:00 p.m. CST, Saturday, August 7, 2021.

In attendance were: President LaQuette, Treasurer Laura Alford, Directors – at – Large Elf Ahearn, Clair Brett, Antonia Cyn, Seressia Glass, Siera London, Jacki Renée, Elizabeth Schechter, Advisors Catherine Stuart, Nancy C. Weeks, Executive Director Leslie Scantlebury and Accountant Jackie Padilla.

**CREDENTIALS REPORT/QUORUM PRESENT:**

Executive Director Scantlebury reported there were 3,416 General Members on the rolls of RWA. Of that number, 47 were present as of the start of the meeting at 12:00 p.m. CST.

President LaQuette reported that the voting strength of the meeting, comprised of those General Members present in person was 47, which did not constitute a quorum of 342.

The Chair declared a quorum was not present.

**REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Executive Director Scantlebury reported that the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting were approved by the Board of Directors and were published in the members-only section of RWA's website.

The meeting continued with the presentation of reports.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President LaQuette reviewed the Board's goals over the last year and the goals that the Board has going forward.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Alford presented the Balance Sheets and Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2021.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

President LaQuette announced the names of qualified members who have declared for office for the 2021-2022 RWA Board of Directors

**DISCUSSION**

President LaQuette and the rest of the Board of Directors answered member's questions about the DEIA modules, PAN and PRO Power Up sessions, fall virtual conference, membership numbers, and the Code of Ethics.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 12:34 p.m. CST