

Guild of Creative Art - Highlights of Minutes of Board Meeting August 5, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Redden. Present were: Debbie, Laury Egan, Tony Migliaccio, Flo Higgins, Sandy Cook, Trudy Maran, Ozzie Arnts. Absent: Vince Matulewich. Guests: Leslie Backlund, Mary Fitzsimmons, Susan Martin

Minutes of the July meeting were approved with one correction.

Treasurer's Report: Debbie presented a financial report which is included with minutes.

Vicky's Report: Vicky Culver presented her monthly report which is included.

Old Business:

50th Gala: An art contest in conjunction with the 50th anniversary celebration was discussed and the winning art work would be used as the logo for the anniversary. Other details are to be considered by the anniversary committee.

Gallery Insurance: Debbie reported the building is insured based on a 2006 appraisal of the property. It was agreed to get comparison quotes before policy expiration date of February 2010. Trudy offered to write an Artist's Disclaimer for all artists to sign so they understand they are responsible for insurance on their art work on exhibit at the guild.

New Business:

Gallery: A motion was made to allow Guild member use of the building for meetings at \$3 per person "during guild hours", with a suggested donation of \$6 if there is a speaker or workshop. Unanimously approved. The board feels the building should be available to members for meetings, but we must be consistent with fees.

A policy for renters hanging shows was tabled until Vince can be present.

Publicity: Laury suggested a reception for the press in an attempt to get more press representatives to the guild. This will be looked into.

Special Events: Sandy suggested the guild make donations to Lunch Break in Red Bank. It was noted it would be good publicity for the guild. It was decided to first get legal advice concerning our non-profit status before we went any further with the idea. The idea was tabled. In the meantime a motion was made by Sandy and second by Flo that members be asked to bring canned food to be donated to Lunch Break when they register for the October Juried Show. Unanimously approved.

Copyright Law Workshop: There will be a \$6 charge for the October 20th workshop with Tracey I. Batt, Esq.

Rule Book: Following a short discussion, the board agreed we should not lend Guild property out. Tony made a motion that the guild have a no-lend policy. Laury seconded it and it passed unanimously. The Rule Book will be updated.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee was reinstated. Leslie Backlund, Mary Fitzsimmons and Gerri Vergona have expressed interested in board service and will be interviewed.

Debbie outlined duties of the President and suggested a distribution of the work load. She also made it clear she will step down from the top job at the end of '09.

Meeting adjourned at 6 P.M.

The next meeting is September 2nd from 4-6pm

Respectfully submitted, Flo Higgins, Secretary