

Highlights of Meeting of the Board of Directors on January 2, 2013

Members in attendance: Leslie Backlund, Vince Matulewich, Tony Migliaccio, Sheila Menendez, Flo Higgins, Marilyn Baldi, Donna Colasurdo,, Mary Fitzsimmons and Bill Machinsky. Mary Christensen and Debbie Redden were absent. Leslie turned the meeting over to Vince, the new co president, who took over the gavel. Vince thanked Leslie for her two years of service as president. The minutes were unanimously approved.

In a new feature guest members may attend with questions or concerns. Mike Menendez attended.

Correspondence: A letter was received from Marion Costa and Roberta Carter Clard and will be answered by Flo. The letters and the replies are included with the minutes

Treasurer's Report: A total report is included with the minutes.

Old Business:

Membership: The plan to put a Memorial Plaque in the alcove in the lobby was discussed. Discussion tabled until further exploration as been done.

Scholarships: Sheila said Scholarship letters have been sent out. Donna has established a Scholarship in **her** name. Scholarship judges who volunteered are Sheila, Tony, Bill and Flo.

Gallery: Vince said in an attempt to offer more prizes to artists participating in guild shows, he will meet with the O.J. Committee and try to revamp recognition. He noted that many artists like to receive awards rather than money. Ribbons will be awarded for work at the January show. Mary noted the 2013 show calendar is complete but there are still openings for shows in June and September

Outside Exhibits: Marilyn suggested we invite the Mayor of Shrewsbury to help hand out prizes in the Eyesight Show. The board agreed this would be a good idea. Marilyn will write and invite the Mayor. The new contract with the Central Jersey Blood Bank was handed out by Marilyn.

Classes: Donna reported she is communicating with a member, who has offered to conduct tours of the guild for students. There are many details to be worked. The proposal is included with the minutes.

Marketing: Flo feels we really need a marketing person to promote the guild so we can successfully compete with the completion in the area. It was noted we need more classes

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Flo and second by Leslie. The meeting adjourned at 6:03 P.M. The next meeting will be the first Wednesday in February .

Flo Higgins, Secretary