

CWS BOARD MINUTES  
September 21, 2010  
First Plymouth Congregational Church

CALL TO ORDER: President-elect Chuck Danford opened the meeting at 4:30 pm, as President, Sydney Eitel, could not attend.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck Danford, Janice Hanson, Arlene Brogan-Smith, Terrey Harrod, Mary Jo Ramsdale, Paul Foster, Kate Wyman, David Castle, Randy Hale, and Diane Fechenbach..

OPENING REMARKS: Chuck Danford asked Board members who have earned Signature status whether or not they put the initials CWS after their signature when signing artwork. Some members do and some do not. Chuck was wondering if members who have met the requirements for Signature membership know that they have to apply for this status in order to be inducted as a Signature member.

WFWS: Chuck noted that the WFWS 36 Annual Exhibition will be held in New Mexico May 6, 2011 – June 5, 2011. Juror is Dale Laitinen. Entry deadline is November 15, 2011.

MINUTES: The Board approved the August 25, 2010 minutes as corrected.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

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VP Programs: Paul Foster passed out the programs schedule for 2010-2011. There are still a few programs to be confirmed. Paul is very enthusiastic about Stan Miller's presentation in October as he is a very interesting and engaging speaker. The November program is titled, "Show, Tell and Sell." This program will feature interested CWS members showing their artwork, telling about their work and selling it in a festival atmosphere.

The January program will offer an off-site experience for CWS members with a tour of the Denver Art Museum. Paul will work out the details with the museum. Paul hopes that CWS will be willing to cover the \$2.00 tour fee for each CWS member who attends. Any attendees that are not currently a member of the Denver Art Museum will also have to pay the \$9.00 entrance fee. A discussion followed.

MOTION: Paul Foster that CWS would pay the \$2.00 tour fee for attendees of the Denver Art Museum off-site program in January 2011. Terrey Harrod second. Motion passed.

-Paul would like to form a committee to help with Programs. He feels this would be conducive to enlisting a future VP Programs. A discussion ensued about ways to encourage CWS members to volunteer and be part of the many programs, workshops, events that CWS offers to its membership. It was agreed that a Volunteer Coordinator position could be very helpful in locating and engaging volunteers in assisting Board members who have heavy loads. Chuck reminded the Board about the previously considered Carrots and Sticks approach. This would especially provide incentives for members who volunteer in different areas of the Organization.

- Paul Foster feels that the VP Programs should have copies of contracts that have been entered into which affect the CWS programs. There was a discussion of the importance of the Programs and Workshops VPs keeping in close contact with each other with regard to contracts and dates for presenters and workshop instructors.

2010-2011 CWS Program Schedule:

September – Ice cream social  
October – Stan Miller demo and/or presentation  
November – ‘Show, Tell, and Sell’  
January – Off-site  
February – ‘Demopalooza’  
March – Critiques of March  
April – Kathryn Hart demo/talk (tentative)  
May – Brian Serff presentation (tentative)  
June – ‘Let’s Talk Art’ panel discussion

VP Workshops: Terrey Harrod passed out the 2010 Workshop Schedule. Terrey feels the Flatirons Mall location for an upcoming workshop will be much better suited for workshops. Virginia Cobb and Stan Miller both have 5 openings. There are still openings for the Soon Warren Workshop scheduled in March of 2011. The Peggy Stenmark Workshop had to be cancelled due to lack of registrations.  
– Randy Hale commented that a contract needs to be finalized for the CWS State Show that will be held at Foothills Art Center in Golden. Terrey will help to make that happen.

2010 - 2011 Workshop Schedule:

October 12-15, 2010 – Virginia Cobb  
October 18-22, 2010 – Stan Miller  
January 14-16, 2011 - Tom Owen  
March 15-18, 2011 – Soon Warren  
June 6-8, 2011 – Birgit O’Connor  
June 21-23, 2011 – Frank Francese  
September, 2011 – David Drummond

Treasurer Report: Arleen Brogan-Smith talked about the new format for the Balance Sheet, which she now hopes is more clear and easier to understand. She reported that CWS has an asset balance of \$43,446.02. There is \$1,310.00 in memorial awards that are now payable. In re-working the Balance Sheet form, she located some very old transactions that were never satisfied and has lumped them into a new category titled Suspense. CWS received \$14,786.00 in dues. Total Liabilities and Equity are \$43,446.02.

- Janice Hanson has put together the proposed CWS Budget. There were some shortfalls in last years budget in workshop fees, State Show entrance fees, as well as membership dues. The proposed budget seeks to make accommodations for some of these shortfalls. Increases in rental fees and Pay pal fees have been added.

- Janice is in need of some additional information from Board members in order to complete the budget. She asked Board members to take home a copy of the proposed budget and supply the missing information so that a second draft of the budget can be presented in October. The final budget should be approved in November.

Membership Official: Kathy Fraughnaugh was not in attendance. Chuck noted that Carla Rouse had sent an email out asking for information from Board members. Chuck requested that members respond to this email as soon as possible with the needed information.

Member at Large/Collage Editor: David Castle reported that the PR person, Sue Ann Lee, will be stepping down. He will attempt to find a replacement for this position by placing an ad in the *Collage*. David reported that the post office has some new guidelines for bulk

mailings that may prevent the *Collage* from being mailed out as Bulk Mail. The cost of mailing the *Collage* as first class mail to all members who requested a hard copy would be too costly for CWS. David will check into whether all of those presently being mail a hard copy of the *Collage* are instead able to have their copy emailed. He will report on that at the October meeting.

*Exhibition Official:* Mary Jo Ramsdale reported that the New Trends Show looks wonderful. The reception was well attended and 6 paintings were sold. The Member Show will be held at Michener Library at the University of Northern Colorado from November 12 – December 17, 2010. Mary Jo suggested that the show should close on December 10<sup>th</sup> instead of the 17<sup>th</sup> since the school closes that day. It was agreed the show should close on December 10<sup>th</sup>. There were 72 works juried into the show. Postcards will be available at the October meeting.

The State Show is in need of a Chairperson. Mary Jo will follow up on some leads for possible Chairperson. The State Show prospectus is almost ready and should appear in the November *Collage*. The last date to register will be December 14, 2010. There will also be a reminder in the October *Collage*. 70 paintings will be accepted into the State Show.

Mary Jo is beginning to look at venues for next year's shows

*Member at Large:* Diane Fechenbach reported that the New Trends Show presently at Republic Plaza looks great and things are running smoothly. The Republic Plaza staff provided wine for the reception.

The *Collage* deadline is September 27, 2010.

**Old Business:** Chuck Danford had a problem locating the CWS membership application on the website. Sean Willard will be contacted about a way to more easily locate this form on the site.

**New Business:** Terrey Harrod noticed that all award winners for the Rocky Mountain National Show were not listed in the *Collage*. She will get a list of winners to David Castle.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Diane Fechenbach. Mary Jo Ramsdale, second. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Wyman  
Recording Secretary

**DISTRIBUTED DOCUMENTS:**

Colorado Watercolor Society 2009-2010 Actual Budget  
Colorado Watercolor Society 2010-2011 Proposed Budget and Memo  
Colorado Watercolor Society Program Schedule  
Programs Report  
Colorado Watercolor Society 2010 and 2011 Workshop Schedule  
Colorado Watercolor Society Exhibition Sales Profit & Loss by Class, Sept. 1-17, 2010  
Colorado Watercolor Society Exhibition Balance Sheet, September 17, 2010