

Colorado Watercolor Society

April 21, 2020 Board Meeting

This meeting was held online

Attending:

Carol Newsom, **President**
Pattie Bowler, **President Elect (from 5:30)**
Tim Brenner, **Immediate Past President (by phone)**
Beatrice Trautman, **Vice President: Programs (from 6:00)**
Sandy Day Selbert, **Vice President: Workshops**
Kathy Cranmer, **Exhibitions Official**
Lynn Nebergall, **Membership Official**
Priscilla Greenbaum, **Treasurer**
Jeremy Jones, **Recording Secretary**
Linda Palmer, **Corresponding Secretary (excused due to technical difficulties)**
Jay Breese, **Parliamentarian (from 5:30)**
Shanthi Kumar, **Web Director**
Mary Jo Ramsdale, **Board Member at Large**
Karen Hill, **Board Member at Large (W. Slope) (excused due to internet failure in Gunnison)**
Linden Kirby, **Collage Editor**
Suzanne Snider, **Incoming Collage Editor**

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 using **Zoom**.

1. **Suzanne Snider, incoming editor of The Collage**, was welcomed to the group. Much appreciation was expressed for the past work of Linden Kirby.
2. **Carol** reported that **Carl Rouse** has asked for **Signature Status** to be conferred on **Mariposa Marangia**, who has met all of the qualifications. Mary Jo seconded the motion and it was **approved unanimously**.
3. **Carol** reported that the **“Safer at Home” guidelines** from the Governor present several problems for normal CWS activities. With a 10-person limit on meetings, in person board and membership meetings won't happen and workshops would not pay for themselves. Carol suggested that the restrictions may persist through the entire summer. She is proposing no May or June Membership meetings. It is unclear whether or not the church location would be open anyway. Consideration was given to holding Summer meetings, but there are too many other options and conflicts with rules and alternate family activities. It is hoped that meetings can be held by September. Downloading of videos was considered, but there is already a lot of that material available online.
4. The **Plein Air paint out** at the Botanical Gardens is still planned by **Elaine Campbell** for the end of June. The event will be chaired by Carol Newsom and Elaine.
5. **Eric Hochuli**, Curator at Foothills Center, **will receive members work for the State Show from 10 until 2 on May 11, 12 and 13. Work will be up until July 12.** A starting date has not been set. Artists delivering work must wear masks, bring their own pen for filling out forms and maintain a 6 to 10-foot separation from others. Remember that this show requires covering with plexiglass. 280 paintings were submitted of which at least 50 can be exhibited with 5 alternates available.
6. The CWS **Treasurer's Report** (pdf) was e-mailed to board members on April 20, 2020.

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7. **Mary Jo** reported that **Sterling Edwards** is currently judging the show for awards and will be sending one of his paintings to be included in the State Show. Priscilla asked for a list of prize winners so she can write checks for winners. Mary Jo will deposit the checks received for entries and the Treasurer will send the juror check to Mr. Edwards.
8. **Jay Breese** announced that 70 members have responded “Yes” to the selection of officers but he’d like to send out two more announcements for voting to make sure that those confused by current events know that they can still vote. The last notice should go out about May 10th with this being clearly the last notice. As noted on the ballot form, ballots can be mailed to CWS or e-mailed to Jay.
9. **Election results** will be tallied at our CWS May Zoom meeting and **officers will be sworn in** then as well.
10. **Jay** reminded everyone that he is nearing completion of compiling job descriptions for each board position. He’d like to not only give the usual job description but also include everything people in those positions actually do including “moves and tricks”. Some of the things we are doing are in conflict with the CWS policies, so we will need to correct those policy provisions in the future.
11. **Shanthi** announced that the **Ruth Armitage Workshop** is open for registration on the website. A search feature has also been added to the website. The template for the State Show Prospectus will also be added in the “Board Only” section.
12. **Pattie Bowler** said her plan as incoming President was “to do whatever Carol says”.
13. **Lynn** reminded everyone that **Membership dues** are due.
14. **Kathy** says the **New Trends** is set for August 28 to October 9 at the Red Rocks Community College Gallery. They do not charge for space or for commissions so the cost will be relatively low. **Diane Fechenbach** will be show chairperson and **Pat Rucker** will be the juror. She is a member and knows many of the participants, but she is also very competent, so an exception was allowed. Next year, this show will be at the Curtis Center for the Arts.
15. The **Membership Show** will again be at the Lakewood Cultural Center and a potential Juror has been selected.
16. **The 2021 CWS State Show will be at the Gilpin County Art Center**, which has lots of room and daylight.
17. **Sandy** reports that they still hope to have the **Sterling Edwards Workshop** on August 3, 4, 5 and 6, but there is concern about continued closures for the Covid virus.
18. **Cindy Brabec-King** is signed up for a workshop June 23, 24 and 25 but only 3 people have signed up so far.
19. **Ruth Armitage** is signed up for an ABC’s of Abstracts **workshop** September 15, 16 and 17 with a related demo at the September membership meeting. Members pay \$350, non-members pay \$400 and board members get a discount.
20. **Randy Hale** is set for a workshop October 20, 21 and 22.
21. **Steven Quiller** will be the juror for the **State Show in 2021**. He will need images by March 1st to start the process. His workshop in conjunction with the State Show will be April 27, 28 and 29th, 2021.
22. **Priscilla** reported that we have over \$30 thousand in CWS checking due to workshop and exhibit entries. Expenses associated with events still need to be paid, but we are staying well **within our budget this year**.

23. **Tim** suggested that the **CWS WFWS paintings** in this year's show should be available on our website. **Marcio** will be asked for images so that can happen.
24. Meeting was adjourned at 6:47

Notes by Jeremy Jones, CWS Recording Secretary rev **4-28-2020d**