

CWS BOARD MINUTES  
September 15, 2009  
First Plymouth Congregational Church

CALL TO ORDER: President Sydney Eitel called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Hale, Sydney Eitel, Pat Dall, Paul Foster, David Castle, Carla Rouse, Janice Hanson, Camille Scott, Diane Fechenbach, and Holly Beazley.

OPENING REMARKS: Sydney requested that the Board members keep a record of their trips and mileage expenses when volunteering for CWS duties and submit these to Janice Hanson for reimbursement. She announced that she had received thank you notes from Mildred Kelly for her award and from Marian LeFluer for her lifetime membership. Pat Dall submitted a resignation notice thanking the Board for her chance to serve as VP/Programs and Paul Foster for volunteering to fill her position. Sydney has extra copies of the CWS Bylaws and Policies for Board members who were unable to attend the August Board meeting when Gene Youngmann distributed them. Sydney attended the opening reception of the Rocky Mountain Watermedia Show and witnessed the presentation of the award donated by CWS for best watercolor. At that time, she spoke with Michael Chavez of Foothills Art Center about the possibility of holding the State Show there in 2011; details regarding available space and costs need to be researched before final plans can be made.

MINUTES: The Board approved the August minutes as corrected.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

Exhibition Official: Pat Foster announced that the New Trends Show at Co-Art Gallery had been hung and that the opening reception would be held September 15 from 5:00 to 9:00 PM. The following exhibitions are planned:

Members "One Foot Show" at the Old Firehouse Art Center, November 13-December 19, 2009, entries due October 5, reception on November 13, co-chairs Nancy Sullo and Martha Williams;

First Plymouth Congregational Church Exhibit, October 12-November 23, entries due October 2;

State Show at the Colorado History Museum, March 4-15, 2010, entries due December 15, reception March 5, co-chairs Carol Hunsaker and Susan Smith;

WFWS 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibit in Salt Lake City, May 16-June 28, 2010, entries due November 15;

New Trends Show at Chautauqua in Boulder, August 20-22, 2010.

Pat will talk with Michael Chavez about the details of the possible State Show at Foothills Art Center in 2011. The Colorado History Museum will host the 2012 State Show in their new facility to be opened that year. Pat discussed with the Board the advantages and disadvantages of holding the 2010 Members Show at the Republic Plaza.

Sydney will explain to the membership at tonight's meeting that they may still submit slides for shows but must pay a \$10 fee per slide to have them converted to digital format. A future *Collage* article will explain this process.

VP Programs: Pat Dall reported that tonight's general meeting would include the ice cream social, and an introduction of new members and their art works. Additionally, Sean Willard will introduce the new website to members. Paul Foster distributed a draft of possible programs for the coming year and requested suggestions for artists who can speak or give

demonstrations. Ted Nuttall will give a Power Point presentation at the October 20 meeting. A critique is planned for November 17.

VP Workshops: In Elaine Campbell's absence, Sydney Eitel reported that the two five-day Ted Nuttall workshops were full but that members may still place their names on a waiting list in case of cancellations. Elaine needs to step down as VP/Workshops after organizing the first Ted Nuttall workshop scheduled for October 12 to 16; Randy Hale will help set up the second one scheduled for October 19 to 23. Sydney will announce at tonight's general meeting that a volunteer is urgently needed to replace Elaine.

Treasurer Report: Janice Hanson reported that CWS has total liabilities and equity of \$42,362.70. The Profit and Loss statement shows a balance of \$276.29. Janice distributed an analysis of the benefits and drawbacks of moving the CWS checking account to one that earns interest. In this analysis, she illustrates why the money is better kept in a non-interest account without fees. PayPal has approved our status as a non-profit organization. The Board considered but tabled a suggestion of putting money aside to fund PayPal expenses.

Membership Official: Carla Rouse reported that CWS now has 421 members who have paid their dues. The new rosters will be available at the October 20 meeting. Joanie Bauer Hupp has designed the cover. 475 rosters will be printed.

Collage Editor: David Castle announced that the deadline for the September *Collage* would be September 30. He will list Board members only when space is available in the newsletter since this information is printed on the website. New member Sue Ann Lee has volunteered to act as Public Relations Official for the coming year.

Member-at-Large: Diane Fechenbach will send any memorials she writes to David Castle for printing in the *Collage*.

Past-President: Randy Hale announced that, although the old website is still available online, he has learned from Estreet that Nan Lund has turned everything over to them, so that by September 16 all metatags will be stripped and this site will be taken down. Webmaster Sean Willard reported that the new website, [www.coloradowatercolorsociety.org](http://www.coloradowatercolorsociety.org), is now functional and user friendly. The "Resources" section will be a catchall for future postings regarding volunteer information and art techniques. Sean and the Board discussed options for ways to post information to the new site.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Carla Rouse presented a draft of a disclaimer to appear in the new rosters concerning the privacy of membership lists. Randy Hale proposed the following wording for the disclaimer: "This roster is for CWS use only and may not be used or distributed for any purpose other than for CWS sponsored activities."

Carla also distributed a draft of several policy changes regarding membership dues. These will be posted to the website and discussed at the October 20 meeting.

Janice Hanson has note cards with the old CWS logo for Diane Fechenbach to use until new ones can be ordered displaying the new logo.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Carla Rouse. Second: Randy Hale. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Beazley  
Recording Secretary

#### ATTACHMENTS

Checking with Interest Analysis, September 8, 2009

Colorado Watercolor Society Balance Sheet, September 15, 2009

Colorado Watercolor Society Exhibition Sales Profit and Loss, September 1-15, 2009