

CWS Board meeting, November 20, 2018

Members Present: Carol Newsom, Lynn Nebergall, Mary Jo Ramsdale, Jay Breese, Priscilla Greenbaum, Steve Griggs, Karen Hill, Shanthi Kumar, Linda Palmer, Beatrice Trautman, Merrie Wicks, Sandy Day Selbert

Members Absent: Tim Brenner

General Board Meeting

Called to order at 5:04 PM.

Sandy Day Selbert was introduced as the new selection for VP of Workshops. It was moved and approved unanimously to appoint her to this position.

Jay Breese has received 102 votes to approve the Bylaw changes so far. That is enough to meet the quorum requirement. The voting will be completed at this meeting. Policy revisions will be reviewed and voted on in the next few months. Only the board vote is required for that.

With the new Bylaws, the position of Webmaster has been added. It was moved and unanimously approved to appoint Shanti Kumar to this position on the board.

We have moved the storage unit to a new location at a savings of \$95/month. It is more convenient with much better access. Thanks to Carol and Tom Newsom and Tim Brenner for the relocation of all the items. Carol, Tim and Gene Y. have keys to the new unit.

The Robbie Laird workshop was filled and resulted in a profit to CWS. The E-blast that was sent right before was very successful. Prior to that there were only seven registered and the workshop would have been cancelled.

Carol reported that Paypal has been charging \$30/month for the "virtual credit card", which has never been used. Shanti will be designated as our primary account representative and cancel this service. Paypal will continue to be used for registrations, etc. at no cost to CWS.

Shanti reported that there is still no place on the website for volunteers to be listed.

Board Member Reports

Carol Newsom: Congratulated the Board on all that has been accomplished during this first six months. Gene Youngmann has volunteered to research a new camera and digital projector to replace the workshop mirror. Priscilla is donating a large screen tv to be used as a monitor with the new system. Our target is to do this for under \$1000, but \$2000 has been budgeted. We will not be using Foothills Gallery for workshops in the future. Their cost has increased from \$200 to \$600 per day.

Jay Breese: Summarized the Bylaw changes. They are 1) Creation of the new Webmaster position, 2) Collage is no longer a monthly issue, changes were needed to those references.

For the Policy updates, Jay summarized the changes. They were 1) removal of deadlines for various items, 2) Creation of the Web Director and associated responsibilities, 3) revision of various board position responsibilities, 4) elimination of defined prize amounts for shows,. The Board will determine those in the future. 5) clarified that a Board member cannot be a juror for

any CWS show. 6) added the policy that the Workshop coordinator will be compensated by allowing him/her to attend at no cost. It was moved to accept these recommendations. Now the motion is tabled until these are published for membership comments. A final vote from the Board members (only) will follow several months later. Jay will post these on the website for the members to review.

Karen Hill: Reported good progress with Peggy Stenmark on the summer show in August. She has suggested a workshop and will follow up with the new Crested Butte Art Center as a possible venue for this show. They also have a few additional people interested in membership.

Sandy Day Selbert: Looking for venues for future workshops. We need some place with good parking and low cost. The first two workshops in 2019 are scheduled at Chatfield Botanic Gardens, but it will be a logistic challenge since we need to provide the tables and clean up each day. We will explore other options, but must cancel 3 months in advance to avoid charges.

Beatrice Trautman: Visit to the Dior exhibit at the Denver Art Museum will be scheduled for 1-19-19. She will post details on the website. Future programs are Philip Newsom, critique (January), Seth Golden (February), Derrick Robertson, slide show on Scottish Watercolor Society (March), Pat Fostvedt, critique (April).

Steve Griggs: The Lakewood Center cannot do the New Trends show in Feb/March, 2019. He is now looking for a new venue and juror.

Lynn Nebergall: We now have 380 members. It's been decided that Membership Rosters will be mailed to all members next year. Darcie Kurtak is now eligible for signature membership. This was approved by the Board, it will be announced when the new certificates are ready.

Linda Palmer: Read a note from Sydney Eitel, advising us of various health issues. She will send a card.

Shanthi Kumar: Reported that coloradowatercolor.com is costing us \$14.99 per year to maintain. It was decided to keep this since the cost is so low. She is also adding admin. privileges for Sandy, as a new Board member. She reminded us that she is available to help us navigate the web, but needs to see each member's site to know what we have access to. One on ones with her are best.

Priscilla Greenbaum: Presented the Treasurer's Report and new Budget for 2019. It was moved to approve the budget as presented Unanimously approved. Merrie clarified that these reports will not be included when minutes are added to the website.

Linden Kirby said he is trying to standardize the Collage editorials, etc. He will present suggestions to the Board in January.

There was general discussion about how to increase participation by the members. Our treasury needs more revenue, entry fees to shows is a primary income source. More discussion needed around this topic.

Board meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.