

Yosemite Western Artists Board Meeting Minutes November 19, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President, Sandee Scott.

Present: Gina Mims, Bill Davis, Darlene Jaeger, Carla Rajnus, Norma Rogers, Wendy Denton and Doug Boomer

Wendy reported that all demonstrators for our meetings ~~workshops~~ are scheduled for the remainder of the year through June 2017. Gretchen Lee, gourd artist, is scheduled for January 2017.

Gina, VP/Communications reported that the Artist Showcase was a wonderful experience but not very much work was sold. Twelve people signed up for the newsletter. \$225 was made on the Closet Clearance. Participation by the EMSPCA seemed to increase attendance. They profited \$200. With the closet clearance proceeds and the renting of panel space, YWA made a total of approx. \$500.

Norma, Treasurer, reported on the treasury as “holding our own.” There is \$3402.53 in the bank. The organization has made more than last year - so far \$326 has been made in 2016.

Bill, Webmaster, reported that “Page” visits decreased though the “Likes” on Facebook were up. He will look into and plan to change featured articles to Sierra News Online. On the web page he will change featured artists from Shannon to himself to handle. There is a \$20 fee to post work on Web Gallery. A future discussion will be held to decide if the artists pages should be free to YWA members.

Doug, Gertrude Operations, reported on maintenance and continues to watch water level and will monitor freezing weather in terms of schoolhouse pipe concerns. More firewood is needed. Anyone can bring firewood at any time and put it under the tarp near the water tank tower.

Darlene, New Member Chairman, announced that members that renew membership and new members that sign up and pay \$30 before January 31st, 2017 will be entered into a drawing for gift cards (1 for \$50, 2 for \$25) from Allards.

Sandee Scott brought up that no one has stepped up to be the new Plein Air Coordinator and the final date she and Carolyn will be in charge of is December 14th on the Fresno River at Carolyn's property.

Also, the Tri-Co. show is coming up in the Spring 2017 and Sandee would like someone to step up and be in charge. Three judges need to be selected and the committee needs to be organized, etc. This topic will be revisited.

Discussed the possibility of having YWA t-shirts for sale. Will canvas members to see if they would be interested.

General Meeting:

-Jon Bock was presented the Member of the Month award.

-Wendy Denton will keep her show up at United Security Bank through December.

-Bill Davis and Diane Stewart are participating in a show at the Riverpark Studio of Dennis Lewis December 6th through the 12th. Address is 323 W. Cromwell, Suite 104, Fresno. All are welcome.

-Yosemite Craft Show in Curry Village is 12/2.

- Carla provided information on the April 29, 2017 Animal Celebration that the Positive Living Center of Oakhurst will sponsor and it is hoped that artists will participate in the show with animal-themed work.

- Announced opportunities to serve YWA: historian; treasurer (Norma will train); and plein air coordinator(s).

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Rajnus, YWA Secretary