

YOSEMITE WESTERN ARTISTS

December 10, 2016 Minutes

Board Meeting:

Present: Doug Boomer, Sandee Scott, Norma Rogers, Wendy Denton, Carla Rajnus, Bill Davis, Gina Mims

Sandee Scott, President, opened the meeting with gratitude for all those who participated in decorating for the Holiday party today. It looked festive!

Norma Rogers, Treasurer, reported that "everything is paid to date" and that there is over \$4,000 in the bank before the profits from today's party raffle. She stated that 12 people renewed their memberships and that there are five new members. That makes them eligible for the drawing for all who have renewed by January 31.

Discussion re: fee for artist pages: Bill, Webmaster, had proposed that artists pages be free; Gina proposed that it be discounted to \$10, and to provide an incentive to members, offer the discount until 1/31/17. Note: this optional add-on benefit is a one-time fee, not an annual fee. The consensus was that existing members can pay an additional \$10 along with renewing their memberships for a page consisting of about 5 - 6 images on the website, an artist bio and a link to other sites (see website to set up). Fees can be paid on Pay Pal on the website or directly to Norma Rogers. New members after January 2017 can pay an additional \$10 and be included on Website as long as it is done within 30 days of paying the \$30 membership.

Gina announced that the Elegant Auction will be held 4/18/17.

Tri-County show will tentatively be held April 22-30, 2017 (Intake Wednesday, April 17, 2017). Those interested are encouraged to step up and take on responsibility for assisting with the event. Please contact Sandee Scott, President.

Building safety was discussed. The decision was made to purchase two fire extinguishers for the building, 2 exit signs (non-electric), and to have the chimney checked out. Gertrude Operations Director, Doug, said he has noticed a difference in lighting a fire lately. Norma will request Ken the Chimney Sweep to check out the chimney.

Carla, Secretary, announced that the Positive Living Center/ Animal Rescue event and art show will be 4/29/17.

General meeting:

Sandee Scott, President, opened the meeting with gratitude for all those who participated (the Live Model Group artists) in decorating for the Holiday party today. It looked festive!

Announcements re: the Tri-County show in April (see above details), Plein Air for Wednesday, Dec. 14, and the discounted fee for artist pages on the website were made. Also, it was shared with participants that our fundraisers are raising money to purchase a special camera/projector for art demonstrations. Gina asked that items for the Jan. newsletter be submitted to her by 12/20.

Former Board Secretary, Vicki Thomas, noted that the exterior steps of Gertrude need to have a material applied to them so people won't slip when they are wet. Doug will look into this.

Pot luck and Raffle Party were next enjoyed by all! Happy Holidays!

Respectfully yours,
Carla Rajnus, YWA Secretary