

Women Painters of Washington January Board Meeting Minutes 2-1-23

President: Susie Wind
Vice President: Priyanka Parmanand
Treasurer: Sandra Kahler
Recording Secretary: Lezlie Jane

Present; Carol Ross, Lezlie Jane, Susie Wind, Sandra Kahler, Marsha Lippert, Lisa DeBaets, Darcie Roberts, Sharon Grader, Susan Walker, Priyanka Parmanand, Beth Betker, Judith Heim, Judith Perry, Julie Fisco, Nancy Grigsby

Not attending: Marilyn Charlat Dix, Gayle Scholl Karen Quint, Larine Chung

President Susie Wind opened the meeting at 10:00 am via zoom
Welcome Introduction Judith Heim; As an early and life-long creative Judith has been involved with theater, interior design, and graphic design.
She has been also been an arts teacher and is now painting.

1. Treasurer's Report; Sandra Kahler
Balance in checking; \$15,302.20
CD balance \$6,091.52

Vote on the Budget for 2023:

The proposed budget for the year was discussed. Expenses have gone up. Especially the cost to mail the year book. An idea is to ask if members want the hard copy or if the online yearbook is preferred. The cost of the phone is high but the conclusion was it was important to keep it. A motion was made to approve the budget. The motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

IRS commitments are being worked on.

2. Website Updates: Sandra Kahler

It appears members are not using the website much. Will begin promoting the login portion to members.

3. Gallery Report: Julie Fisco

For the Primary Colors show Susie Wind won "Favorite Artist". 3 Paintings from the Hip to be Square show were sold and lots of cards. More people are coming into the gallery.

We might consider opening an additional day.

All gallery watch positions are full.

Gallery job positions have been filled. But there is a need for volunteers hang the shows.

Gallery lighting is being upgraded.

4. Juried Exhibitions and Neighborhood shows: Carol Ross and Susan Walker

The entry date for the Milo gallery show is moved to Feb 24th. Entries are needed.

Maryhill Museum show; Much discussion. It is a museum so sales will not be promoted in any way. Interested buyers can purchase paintings from the WPW website.

Shipping is an issue since the museum is a 5 hr drive away. Ideas for how to handle that were discussed. We may offer cash prizes and broaden the theme to attract more entries. Money of any sort is apart from the museum. The prestige of showing in a beautiful museum is a hard to come by opportunity that WPW needs to promote to members to encourage entries.

5. General Meeting Programs: Judith Perry

The March general meeting has lost the speaker. John Braseth is too busy. Searching for a speaker.

Several speakers are lined up for future meetings.

Tacoma Museum Art Tour on April 12th will need 40 to 50 members to join the in-person tour. The wonderful Camille Patha will be having a one person show at the museum at the time of our tour.

5. New Membership: Marsha Lippert

There are 18 applications for new membership. A couple more may come in.

6. Contact info; WPW will request an emergency contact number from new members. It may be on the application or requested some other way.

The emergency information will be kept in the membership committee.

7. Spring Luncheon; The date of the Spring Luncheon will be announced at the General Meeting

8. Publicity: Judith Heim

Jamie Lightfoot is no longer able to participate. Someone is needed for Publicity

9. Yearbooks: Beth Betker WPW needs to find out how many members would like hard copy Yearbooks. Need to have the number by August.

10. 4th Corner: Nancy Grigsby The 4th Corner meeting is Feb 19th. Guest speaker is Roxanne Everett. She will talk about the many residencies she has attended. All WPW members are invited. Contact Nancy to be included in the zoom presentation.

11. Eastern WA: Darcie Roberts, They will meet in April and are working on recruiting new members.

12. Newsletter: Sharon Grader; Susan Miller sent a reminder email looking for news for the newsletter and it worked GREAT.

Next issue will include promotion of the WPW website for members use.

13. New Vice president discussion

A couple names were offered; Sue Madill, Mira Kamada

Review the yearbook for ideas of who to ask.

14. The recommended bylaws were adopted at the 1/11/23 General Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36
Respectfully submitted by Lezlie Jane