MINUTES FCA MONTHLY MEETING

Date: March 7, 2016

Location: Branch 17 Senior Citizen Centre,

 1353 Richter Street, Kelowna

ATTENDANCE: 51 members and guests, about 6 newcomers.

The meeting was called to order by Diana Hilliard at 7:00 pm.

Rod McAuley away.

MINUTES of the January 4th, 2016 Meeting were read by Angie Kirschner, accepted as read and seconded by Karen Coon and Elizabeth Christie.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Kit Bell

Membership Currently sits at 117 members

* 21 supporting members
* 92 Active members
* 2 AFCA s
* 1 SFCA

Newsletter subscribers sits at 275.

All news for the for the newsletters needs to be received by Kit before the end of a month. Advertising workshops is free for members. Non-members pay $10.00 per issue.

 PAINTING OF THE MONTH: February’s contest was won by Renata Kerr’s painting” Brave New World”

 March Contest now open for entries. Note there are only 10 contests per year and once a contestant has won they cannot enter again until the next year. The purpose of this is to give more painters an opportunity to enter and win. Each winner receives a $50.00 Opus Gift Card. The winner also gets their painting on the home page with a link to their website as well a recognition in the newsletter.

TREASURE’S REPORT as presented by Treasurer Karen Rempel: the opening Balance for Feb.11, 2016 was at $11,912.83. The closing Balance $15,537.24

Karen introduced 2 new promotional cards, one with a pictorial print and one more Business like to promote the FCA to the public. These cards would be available next meeting. The concept of the cards is to get the general public to go to the FCA website to buy art. The hope is to brand the website as a place to buy quality art.

There would be monetary advantages to the buyer by purchasing through the FCA.

Treasurers report was moved as read by Karen Coon and seconded by Colleen Lintahl.

 EXHIBITIONS: Diana Palmer Will send out one more call for entries to the OASIS show. Entry Deadline to be May 15,2016.

Diana stated to please read the entry guidelines carefully. She stated that the Peachland Gallery is very pleased to host this event and that they are working quite diligently to promote the OASIS event. It was emphasized that this is a Chapter Member Show. There will be a limited number of 150 invitations to the opening of the show on July 2, 2016.

OASIS: Barb Hanington presented the banners for Oasis for everyone to see. There was some extensive discussion around the issues of fundraising for OASIS. Diana Hilliard and Barb attended the ARSTVEST Seminar to learn more about fundraising.

Funds are still needed for the symposium and we have received the last grants from the city. In the future we will be needing to replace these funds with other fundraising activities.

$200.00 was received from Kirschner Mountain toward the Prize awards.

The Symposium still needs $1000.00

WORKSHOPS: Marilyn Bury

UPCOMING are: Ken Gillespie March 19-20th. This workshop is full

Ingrid Christensen July 9, at the Kelowna Sailing Club.

David Langevin Sept. 16,17, 18th.

All the above info is on-line.

Marilyn reviewed the OASIS workshops.

NEW BUSINESS: Barb Hanington was approached by Linda Norman from Festival Kelowna. The federation was invited to have a tent booth. This could act as a great promotional event for the FCA. It happens on July 28th a Thursday, from 5 :00 - 10:00 pm. Barb is asking for a volunteer to spearhead the event. She will send out an e-mail in regards.

Kit Bell entered a nomination for the FCA-COC to the ARTS COUNCIL.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 by Elizabeth Christie and seconded by Ann Willsie.

Artist Ken Gillespie did a great one-hour demo in acrylics.