MINUTES FCA-COC MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: September 11, 2017 LOCATION: Ellis Art Studios, 1021 Ellis Street. ATTENDANCE: Board Members: Diana Hilliard, Cecile Derkatch, Barb Hanington, Angie Kirschner, Delora Lalande, Diana Palmer, Lynn Tribe, Shelley Bauer. Members in attendance outside of the board counted as 38 including 3 new members.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by Diana Hilliard with a welcome to all guests .

MINUTES: read by Angie Kirschner. Adopted as read by Lynn Tribe and seconded by Susan Priest.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Delora Lalande explained the status of the books to date with the figure of \$14,305.00 to the good. Adopted as read by Cherie Wasyliw and seconded by Ann Willsie.

SHOWS and EXHIBITIONS: Diana Palmer reported that 8 paintings were sold at Oasis for a total sum of \$6,505.00. We hope to have a show for next July 2018, in the same venue.

Next up is the Autumn Gallery Chapter Show on November 17, 18, 19th. This is a juried and qualifying show. Opening night is Friday the 17th. Deadline for entries for this show is October 31st. Large works are welcome.

One may enter as many as 5 paintings , only 3 will be accepted.

Paintings shown in previous shows may be entered so long as they have not won a major award as third and up. The entry fee is \$15.00 for the first painting and \$10.00 each for subsequent piece. A question was posed by a member, as this is a Chapter show and the financial standing of the chapter is healthy, could the commission from entrants be waived? Board member Barb explained that we are very cautious with our funds and that the monies can be used for more purposeful endeavors in the future. Diana Hilliard suggested that the fee waiver idea be put into the suggestion box and it would be further discussed.

Diana Palmer stated that there will be an entry charge of \$2.00 for future shows. This will be a good cash generator and most people have no problem with it. Diana P. called to the members present for a volunteer to type up a list of names and emails collected at the Oasis Gallery Show for those interested in receiving the newsletter. Cherie Wasyliw was kind enough accept the task.

EVENTS: Barb Hanington announced that Oasis was a good success and actually made money. We are ahead by \$1699.00.

OASIS will go ahead again next year and the membership raised hands in favor of continuing the event. It will likely be at the college and in the month of April.

"Art on the Avenue " was a successful event and Barb expressed how proud she was on behalf of the FCA for all the entries and she emphasized that it gave our chapter a positve face in the community. The posters are to be eventually returned to the painters, but in the meantime the organizers are trying to find another venue to hang them longer.

Barb also talked about the Plien Air sessions that didn"t happen over the summer due to the heat and smoke. Barb invited input or suggestions from members.

MEMBERSHIP: Kit Bell away no report this month.

WORKSHOPS: Lynn Tribe, Shelley Bauer

Jerry Markham .. September workshop at COSA is filled Diane Bersea October workshop 1 day at COSA, only 3 signed up so far. Ingrid Christensen February 2018 3 days, day 1 on composition 15 people allowed in and the last 2 days are for live model. Spaces still available.

We are needing more Venues for workshops. Suggestions welcome.

Shelley Bauer spoke about how successful the art displays have been at the Marmalade Cat Café. Jetta Williams sold 2 pieces while showing there.

PRESIDENT: Diana Hilliard addressed some issues from the suggestion box thanking everyone for all the good suggestions.

Diana explained the jury process for Qualifying shows. Jurors are chosen by FCA Vancouver head office. There are 2 SFCA's and 1 AFCA

A meeting topic for October will be about the processes for entering shows to educate the membership .etc. We hope to set up stations with information on how to get photography done for entering shows and other "how to's "in the entering of shows.

Jurying for painting of the Month: This was discussed at length by the executive and it was decided that there needs to be just one juror. The value of the win also allows the winner to experience the winning selection process. In a year there is a different winner each month and therefore a different juror as well.

Diana called for social Volunteers to introduce new people to the membership at COC events. There is a need for better integration of newcomers.

Diana repeated the need for new workshop spaces. Suggested by member Michelle that the Italian Club may be a possibility.

Cecile Derkatch Thanked our new volunteers : Thank you to Tracy Mardon and Susan Priest for setting up the coffee service for the meetings. Susan priest also is handling the sales of the 50/50 tickets.

Thank you is also in order to Susanne Dansereaux for attendance and name tags at the door.

Elizabeth Christie has volunteered to be the new Social Director. She will be needing volunteers to help organize and pull off the social functions. A sign-up sheet was left at the front door for anyone able to help out.

NEW BUSINESS: Suggestion made by member Michelle Droettboom to seek out wineries that would be willing to stage artists. Member Michelle McCullough will pair up with her to research this concept.

Meeting adjourned for Coffee break and 50/50 draw. Motioned meeting be adjourned by Susan priest and seconded by Suzanne Dansereaux. The 50/50 draw total came to \$82.00 and \$41.00 was awarded to Ann Willsie.

PRESENTER For The EVENING: FORENSIC ARTIST Jetta Williams

Diana Hilliard presented Jetta with the OASIS PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD.

Much appreciation and many thanks to Jetta for her most interesting and informative presentation.