

MINUTES FCA-COC MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: October 2, 2017

LOCATION: Branch 17 Senior's Centre on Richter Street

ATTENDANCE: Board members: Diana Hilliard, Cecile Derkatch, Angie Kirschner, Kit Bell, Barb Hanington, Diana Palmer, Lynn Tribe.

Members numbered 23 in attendance and of these were 4 new guests.

Meeting was called to order by D. Hilliard at 7:05 Pm.

members were welcomed and 4 new guests introduced themselves.

MINUTES: Minutes were not read aloud but were sent out by email. Minutes adopted as sent by Susan priest and seconded by Marilynn Bury.

We hope to allow more time for member interaction and presentations by reducing the time for the business part of the meeting.

SHOWS and EXHIBITIONS: Diana Palmer reminded members of the Call for entries for the Autumn Gallery Chapter Show. The show runs Nov. 17, 18, 19, 2017 at the Okanagan Mission Community Hall on Lakeshore Drive. The deadline for entering is Tuesday October 31, 2017.

Diana P. will have posters printed up for the Autumn Gallery Show. Everyone will be emailed a JPEG to be distributed.

Two points were raised by a member:

1. The new \$2.00 entry fee for the Autumn Show
The pros and cons were discussed and the outcome was that it has been generally accepted by other painting groups to charge a small entry fee. At last year's Autumn Gallery show many people attending expected to pay at the door without having a problem with it. This revenue will help with the Chapter expenses.
2. The member questioned our policy of excluding paintings to our shows that have won awards in previous FCA shows. Diana Palmer and Kit Bell gave explanations for this. Kit took questions from the members regarding the point system for FCA. Paintings can be in more than one qualifying show, but cannot receive points for both.

MEMBERSHIP: Kit Bell reported that the membership to date sits at 149 members There have been 5 new members since April.

Congratulations to Delora Lalande, Elyse Selig, John Cochrane, and Alberta Frazer for being successfully juried into Active Status.

Painting of the Month for September was won by Cherie Wasyliw. for her painting "Ringer".

Our Newsletter editor Marie Bergman has unfortunately needed to resign. Many Thanks for her great newsletters. Marie will continue to do our Facebook entries. Thanks Marie!

Cherie Wasyliw has volunteered to take over the newsletter. We are so fortunate to have found a new volunteer so soon. Thank you! Cherie.

EVENTS: Barb Hanington reported that Lisa Brown with Art on the Avenue was able to find a new venue to display the 150 Banners for the month of October. They will be displayed on the walk between the RCA and the Art Gallery.

WORKSHOPS: Lynn Tribe reported that Jerry Markham's Workshop was a success. Dianne Bersea's Workshop for October cancelled. Ingrid Christensen's Workshop for Feb. 2018 has openings still.

Lynn asked the members if they would like a workshop by water colourist Marney Rose Edge. A sign up sheet was left.

From the Suggestion Box: Cecile Derkatch encouraged everyone to use the suggestion box for any ideas or concerns. She thanked Tracy and Susan for taking over the coffee duties and Suzanne for the name tags /attendance job.

Call for New Business; no new Business

Winner of the 50/50 was Michelle Droettboom

Meeting Adjourned by 7: 45.pm

EVENING PRESENTATION: Kit Bell, Diana Hilliard and Barb Hanington

TOPICS: _ Kit explained the ladder from supporting FCA member to SFCA Status.
_ Taking and preparing photos for shows. Everything from setting up shots to photo editing to saving photography in files. This was a very detailed informative presentation.
_ Entering Shows/ Jury Process

There are valuable videos to be seen on the FCA website.

Barb Hanington gave an account of her personal Journey as an artist and her road to attaining her AFCA status.