

MINUTES FCA-COC MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: Nov. 6, 2017

LOCATION: Branch 17 Senior's Centre on Richter Street

ATTENDANCE: Board members: Diana Hilliard, Cecile Derkatch, Kit Bell, Diana Palmer, Angie Kirschner, Delora Lalande,. Seated with members Lynn Tribe and Shelley Bauer.

Members attended numbered 48 .

Meeting Called to order by 7:07pm.

Executive members introduced themselves and three new guests introduced themselves .Diana H. announced that Kathy Hale was so generous to bring older art Magazines and drawing paper etc. The members could take their choice of magazines and the other items were distributed as part of the 50/50 draw.

MINUTES: The October Minutes were emailed out to the members. Angie made the call for any errors or omissions. As there were no comments from the members present , Marilyn Bury motioned that the Minutes were approved and this was seconded by Lynn Tribe.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Delora Lalande Year -to- date Income\$24,480.00

-Year-to-date Expense \$27,501.00

-October 31,2017 Bank Balance\$13,342.63

Treasurer's report accepted as read by Elizabeth Christie and seconded by Judy Lebsack.

MEMBERSHIP: Kit Bell reminded members that the membership renewal cycle has begun. Fees can be paid online with a credit card or by cash or check at the meeting.

Membership currently sits at 153 members. There were 7 new members in October. Congratulations to Sue Gudmundson and Tracy Williams for being successfully juried into Active Status.

October's Painting of the Month was won by Michelle Droettboom for her painting titled "Waiting for Ice wine".

The newsletter went out on Nov. 2, 2017 to 402 subscribers.

Kit mentioned that the FCA does not require a signature on the front of a painting. A signature is required and can be place elsewhere on the canvas such as the back.

SHOWS and EXHIBITIONS: Diana Palmer. Acceptance notices have been sent out for the Autumn Show entries. Paintings are "qualifying or non-qualifying " Both are accepted. There were a total of 157 entries and 102 were accepted to hang in the show. The number of Qualifying paintings was approximately 70 out of the 102.

Caution : Once paintings have been accepted for entry , they should not be changed.

One must keep track of points earned for which paintings entered. One has 4 years to earn 7 points from Active status to Associate Status. Details about the point system are on the FCA website.

Drop off instructions will be emailed out. Entries need to be appropriately framed and hanging wire should be sturdy and well secured.

ICON FRAMING GALLERY on Ellis Street in the Ellis art Studios Building is offering 20% off for framing and canvas to FCA members.

Presold paintings can be entered as a sold but a commission will be taken for the show. Also the presold painting can receive a point.

Pamphlets and posters were left for members to pass out with a signup sheet to monitor where they are being hung. The only advertising for the show has been on social media. Diana will email a jpg and pdf for distribution.

There will be a \$2.00 entry fee for the show this year to help cover expenses. The rental of the hall went up this year. Everyone will get 2 free wine tickets.

Volunteers are needed to set up grids and hang paintings . Jetta Williams is bringing the grids from the Palette Club. Also people are needed To run the sales desk , and people are needed to set up the refreshments during the weekend. Sign up sheets are provided at this meeting.

Diana P. called out to members to assist in finding a convenient place to store the grids. Michelle Droettboom offered to ask her son if he had any space available in his warehouse. If unable to find an alternative, Diane will need to rent a storage locker. The cost for this would be \$72.00 per month. This could be cut in half if the Palette club was interested in sharing a storage unit .

WORKSHOPS: Lynn Tribe - Ingrid Christensen February 2018, a 3 day workshop has openings. Next is OASIS in April. Andrew Mcdermott (pastel) is lined up for Fall and lastly Graham Flatt (water colourist) on October 13, 2018.

Once a workshop is advertised on-line through the website, FCA members have the first opportunity to get in.

SUGGESTION BOX: Cecile Derkatch. Received many positive comments. Someone suggested artist Linda Wilder for a workshop. Diana H. asked that members leave their name and contact info so that we can get more information .

Someone asked about shipping art out of country. The best source of information would be head office , FCA Vancouver for the most current info.

The Annual General Meeting will be held January 22, 2018. The guest artist for that meeting will be Juve Furtado demo on water colour. The meeting will be at the Senior Centre.

For the February meeting it was proposed to skip the business part and have a longer critique by DR. Sharon McCoubrey.

Call for any additions to old Business. None.

Call for new Business . None

Move to adjourn the meeting . at 7:30 pm.

Coffee break

GUEST: Stuart Turcotte from Hambleton Galleries Kelowna B.C.

Mr. Turcotte gave a critique for a large number of paintings with the emphasis on the quality of work necessary to enter a work into a Gallery. We thank him sharing his knowledge and expertise with us.