

## FCA-COC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: Jan 22,2018

PLACE : Branch 17 Senior Citizen's Centre on Richter Street.

ATTENDANCE; 29 members present including the board and 3 new guests.

Board members present: Diana Hilliard, Kit bell, Angie Kirschner, Delora Lalande, Barb Hanington, Diana Palmer. Also Lynn Tribe and Shelly Bauer.

MEETING called to order 7:00 pm. 3 new guests were introduced and welcomed. President Diana Hilliard gave a rich thank you to all volunteers and executive for their efforts this past year. Our membership has grown tremendously and meeting attendance is up.

Thank you to Cherie Wasyliv for taking on the newsletter and for doing a wonderful job.

Thank you to Elizabeth Christie and all her assistants for putting on a great Christmas Party. It was so well done and we look forward to the next event in June.

Thanks to Kit Bell, who not only handles the website and membership, but is working with Lynn Tribe to get our paperwork ready to transition to the new Societies Act. Patrick, the FCA general manager wished he could clone Kit and give every Chapter their own Kit-Clone!

Thanks to Lynn Tribe and Shelly Bauer for taking on the workshops and making it possible to offer our membership the opportunity to learn from some of the best artists in Canada.

Thanks to 1<sup>ST</sup> VP Cecile Derkatch, who initiated the SUGGESTION BOX and coordinates many loose ends behind the scenes. ( thanks to all those members who made suggestions).

Thanks to Diana Palmer for Running our shows, especially the very successful OASIS and AUTUMN GALLERY shows. The shows just keep getting better!

Thanks to 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Barb Hanington who is always promoting outreach for our chapter, including orchestrating our presence in Art on the Avenue. Huge KUDOS to Barb and the OASIS committee for another hugely successful OASIS SYMPOSIUM.

Thanks to our secretary Angie Kirschner and treasurer Delora Lalande. Both have brought their positive energy and organizational skills ( muchly needed in a group of artists).

Thanks to Susan Priest for providing coffee and handing name tags and the 50/50 draw.

AS your Executive , we have several new ideas that we want to consider for the next year.

As the membership grows, we want to provide a greater variety of benefits to the chapter.

What we will be able to put into play is , however , dependant on manpower .Please think about how YOU can help your fellow artists and the Chapter.

More volunteers are needed who can offer some time and skills to help our chapter continue to grow. Please speak to Kit Bell or Diana Hilliard if you can help make a difference!

MINUTES: the Minutes from the AGM of 2017 were posted on the website for members to read. A call for any errors and omissions made. Minutes were accepted by Marilyn Bury and seconded by Shelley Bauer.

The February meeting will be held at the regular time of the first Monday in February at 7:00 pm. There will be no business portion of this meeting, but rather a critique evening. Dr. Sharon McCoubrey.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Delora Lalande explained the breakdown of our chapter finances ending with the final totals that leave us with a year end bank Balance of \$14,812.00. The report was accepted as read by Elizabeth Christie and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan Priest.

MEMBERSHIP: reported by Kit Bell. Membership sits at 156 members

-34 supporting

-111 active

-9 AFCA

-2 SFCA

New members in October are: Kimberley Kohan, Stephanie Perry, and Janice Sich.

CONGRATULATIONS to Linda Kerslake, Janice Sich, and Gillian Rau for being successfully juried into Active Status.

Painting of the Month winner was "Miner's Cabin on Burton Ave" by Juhli Caldwell.

December's painting of the Month was "Tell me More" by Lori Ryan.

WORKSHOPS: Lynn Tribe reviewed the list of last year's workshops as the following:

-Ron Hendrick- Landscapes in Oil- 2 day Jan 21-22 at COSA

-Mike Svob- 2 day acrylic- April 8,9 – COSA

-Ingrid Christensen- demystifying color oils and acrylic-April 30-Okanagan College.

-Andrew McDermott- Urban Street Scenes- April 30<sup>th</sup> –Okanagan College

-Charlie Easton- Minimum Fuss, max enjoyment Acrylic Landscapes-April 30<sup>th</sup> Okanagan College

-Jan Crawford one day acrylic Glazes- Saturday, Rutland activity centre.

-Jerry Markham- 2 day Plein Air Landscapes September- COSA

FCA WORKSHOPS slated for 2018

-Ingrid Christensen- Creating Dynamic Compositions- Saturday Feb. 24- COSA

-Ingrid Christensen 2 day Portrait- Sunday, Monday- Feb 25,26- COSA

- Neil Patterson- Simplified color in the Landscape Oil and acrylic-April 29- Okanagan College

-Dene Croft- The extraordinary Still life- in oils -April 29, Okanagan College.

-Suzanne Northcott- "Surface and Symbol"- exploring acrylic and Mixed media-April 29- Okanagan College

-Andrew McDermott- 2 day pastel and acrylics- Sunday Monday, sept 23,24- Rotary Centre for the Arts.

-Graham Flatt- one day water color- Saturday October 13 – COSA.

EVENTS COORDINATOR: Barb Hanington

Report for 2017 duties were OASIS, Marmalade Cat, Art on the Avenue, Plein Air events.

Oasis was a great success again. Financially in the black and this is why. Okanagan College is a great facility to host our 2 day symposium. We had approximately 87 Attendees. Barb received many positive comments on how enjoyable an event Oasis is. Barb extended thanks to all the valuable Volunteers for the event.

The Art Show for the symposium is held in July at the Peachland Gallery 2017 enjoyed the best ever art sales. This will only improve in the future Our success comes from great participation from the FCA and also the high quality of art submitted through the Jury process. WE have the optimum timing , the month of July in the most wonderful Gallery. The Peachland Gallery fully supports the success of this show.

The Marmalade Cat Café is a wonderful facility to host our FCA\_COC artist paintings . Artists that participate in volunteering for FCA\_COC are people that get to show in this “happening” café. We want to show the volunteers that we appreciate them... Shelley Bauer is doing a marvelous job as coordinator at this venue.

Art on the Avenue is another event we have been a part of. This is supported by the City of Kelowna and most importantly, it gives the FCA-COC a way to give back to the community and it gives us some notoriety in the community. Barb has had the opportunity to see people participate in this event and she has received many positive comments from the public.

Plein Air Painting ... was not so successful this year due to the weather conditions, smoke and all. Hopefully we can bring it back in 2018. If you have ideas or an inclination to coordinate please contact the executive.

Thanks for a great year!

SHOWS and EXHIBITIONS: Diana Palmer reported:

Autumn gallery : Attendance was down but we sold 12 paintings, up from 8 sold last year.

-The door brought in \$722.00 and the show made \$950.00 .

This was a profitable show and one that the community looks forward to. No changes need be made.

OASIS 2017;

-Show is \$1700.00 to the good but offsets some of the Symposium Costs

-Diana reviewed the categories for this show and called to the members if they want to continue this system . Some members were not in favor of the category system as awards may be given to paintings that may be less worthy of receiving the award, however, win it just because the category must get an award. The argument for the categories was that the awards get spread out more to different subjects. Diana explained this in more detail. A show of hands favoured the system of categories for one more year and it will be reassessed at the end of next year.

Member Elizabeth Christie suggested we count the number of paintings in the categories to better assess for next year.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE for OASIS is TUESDAY May 15, 2018.

ON-line Show:

- There were 3 on-line shows last year. There was not a lot of enthusiasm for themed shows.
- Shows broke even financially.
- One can submit old paintings, the shows are juried but not Qualifying.
- Do we want an open subject online show in February?

There was only a small show of hands in favor of the on-line show . It was decided there would not be an on-line show for February.

Diana announced that she still requires assistance with the shows or to have someone take over a show.

Susan Priest offered to volunteer to assist Diana with the shows.

GRID RENTALS:

- renter will sign an agreement form
- -\$5/GRID per Day + \$200 deposit.
- Must be prepaid, two separate checks
- -renter supplies own zip ties and cloths
- renter is responsible for replacement cost for damaged or lost grids.-
- Jetta Williams and Angela Burns type up a contract and look after the rental program.

EXECUTIVE POSITIONS: KIT BELL

Present Executive Officers

PRESIDENT - Diana Hilliard

1<sup>st</sup> PRESIDENT - Cecile Derkatch

2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT and Events Chair – Jaxon Jerome ( By acclamation)

TREASURER – Delora Lalande

SECRETARY- Angie Kirschner

MEMBERSHIP Chair- Kit Bell

SHOWS EXHIBITIONS Chair- Diana Palmer ( to hold this position for one more year.)

EVENTS COORDINATOR – Barb Hanington resigned but will remain on OASIS COMMITTEE.

MEETING Adjourned by 7:50. Pm.

Evening Presenter : Water colorist Juve Furtado on water color pouring.

Very informative presentation. Many thanks to Juve for his detailed presentation.

P. S. from the Secretary's desk

A very big thank you needs to go to Diana Hilliard current President of the FCA –COC. for leading the helm with precision and such amiability. Firstly the executive get treated to wonderful home baking at the Executive meetings. Love it! Diana has done such wonderful introductions for all of the FCA meeting presenters and is responsible for so much other administrative activity. Know that you are appreciated by all. Thanks again for all you have done ! Angie Kirschner