

FEDERATION OF CANADIAN ARTISTS: CENTRAL OKANAGAN CHAPTER

Minutes of Chapter Meeting: Monday, September 13th, 2021: 7:00pm via Zoom

Attendees: Kit Bell, Jaxon Jurome, Ann Willsie, Colleen Dyson, Delora Lalande, Denise Reichert, Michelle Droettboom Lori Strom, Laurie Koss, Margo Jensen, Diana Palmer, Claudia Punter, Yolanda Campbell, Nicole Kyle, Irina Bakumenko, Jeanne Bates, Izabela Bogdanovic, Myrna, Carol Zuckerman, Eva Eshpeter, Maureen Carefoot, Gary Toop, Janice Swartz, Irene Bowman, Kathryn Ross,

Jaxon Jurome presiding: Welcome back . Hope to be back to in-person meetings before long. Demo tonight by Ann Willsie.

Special recognition and thank you to Diana Palmer who has done such a great job taking charge of our exhibitions and shows -early with Art Visions - has been involved with OASIS and AUTUMN GALLERY from their beginnings. Diana served on our executive approximately 17 years and as show chair for OASIS for approximately 9 years. We are forever grateful.

Changes to Executive : **Colleen Dyson** is taking over from Diana Palmer (hard act to follow says Colleen whereupon Diana expressed total confidence in Colleen).

Sue Gudmundson is stepping down from her role as VP as well as arranging for Speakers/Demos for our meetings. **Carol Zuckerman** is stepping up to takeover Sue's position and function.

Jaxon Jurome is stepping down from his position as President. **Denise Reichert** will take Jaxons position. There will be a transition period where Jaxon will continue on as gradually he hands the reins over to Denise - some overlap in function during the transfer. Jaxon will remain as Past President thereafter and be available for advertising and promotions.

Much appreciation was expressed for those stepping down from their **positions on the Executive**. **Warm welcome was given to those stepping up to fill the positions** being vacated.

We may have Board opening for one or more Directors at large should anyone wish to step forward.

Michelle Droettboom introduced her **Share the Sunshine Project**

Michelle in consultation with a rep from KGH has been making arrangements whereby artists from various art organizations will pick up 4'x4' x1 1/2 cradleboards from Michelle (see below) - will paint/do their art on the cradle boards — will deliver the completed works back October 17th - and these will then be distributed to nurses, doctors, all workers - in the ICU and also on 2 additional Covid wards - expressing our appreciation for their service. **See details in our September Newsletter** . Briefly : **Pick up cradleboards from Michelle at** (cost cash \$4.00 each - do one or do several-we need hundreds- instructions included):

Wednesday Sept 15: 1:00 to 4:00 pm Parking lot by Fatburger (Capri Mall)

Friday Sept 17: 4:00 to 7:00pm Back of Parking lot off McCurdy across from Grand 10

The Cradleboards will have a blank paper in back on which artists will place/write “ a small note of encouragement and appreciation “ and will tuck this back -into the back -of the cradleboard

What to paint: “Something that will bring a smile to the face” of one of the hundreds of people working at the ICU or on one of the other 2 Covid wards at the KGH.

Drop off: Sunday October 17 from 10:00 to 1:00 OPUS back door on Lane.

Global news showed up at original pickup - Michelle has the link.

Kelowna Now is showing up Wednesday .

Jaxon suggests we put this on social media - hashtag **Share the Sunshine** on social Media

Delora - Treasurers Report We had expenses greater than four thousand dollars re OASIS.

We refunded deposits for workshops for Perry Haddock and Jeff Wilson.

Adjusted Bank Balance is \$12,349.03

Memberships will be due in the fall.

Kit - Membership Report:**REPORT FOR FCA-COC MONTHLY MEETING – SEPTEMBER 13, 2021****MEMBERSHIP**

Membership currently sits at 142 members.

- 30 supporting members
- 97 active members
- 12 AFCAs
- 3 SFCA

NEWSLETTER

Our chapter newsletter is published every month and distributed by email. Our newsletter mailing list sits at 609 subscribers.

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Our Mentorship program is resuming shortly. If you are interested in participating and haven't already replied to the email sent out September 7th, please email Kit Bell.

So far, we have 7 Mentors and 25 members participating. This program is very helpful for all levels of members and can help you progress to the next level. Ever wonder why a painting was declined? Join the program and find out. This program is free for members.-

We will be notified by end September of our mentorship leaders.

Colleen :deadline for Art Avenue is October 1st.

Kit and Anne will be away -they are on the FCA instruction team at the ranch retreat next week.

Ann - Workshops are on hold for now. No space. Ellis is not open. The preferred spot at Rotary is occupied Saturday mornings.

New member Irina Bakumenko introduced.

All enjoyed a **Presentation and Demo by Anne Willsie** - it is available on our website - see it on YouTube.