

Southeast Colorado Art Guild  
Minutes - April 16, 2011  
Shore Arts Center

Attendance: Carol Demas, Bev Middleton, Jeff Alexander, Veronica Jacoby, Georgetta Tempel, Jennie Dooley, Dorothy Buxton, Jeremy Cooper, Trevor LaCost, Rose Ann Yates, Patsy Oxley, Pat Johnson, Mary Lou Semmens

The meeting was called to order by incoming President Bev Middleton.

Jennie Dooley read minutes from the previous meeting (taken by secretary Marilyn Gentz). Jeff Alexander moved and Jeremy Cooper 2<sup>nd</sup> a motion to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Patsy Oxley reported a bank balance of \$892.37. Dorothy Buxton moved and Jennie D. 2<sup>nd</sup> approval.

Patsy sent out 65 postcards notifying members and others of this meeting while expressing the need for more participation to insure the survival of the SECAG.

Several members responded. Janet Hancock of Walsh wrote that she is too involved with the Walsh Art Council and their upcoming show. Mary Lynne Pruett wrote to Bev with ideas regarding changes to improve our organization. (letter attached)

Bev suggested we see whether there is enough willing workers before moving ahead to plan the fall show. Pat Johnson volunteered to hold an office and Veronica Jacoby said she'd be willing to be Secretary. After more discussion a slate of officers was presented for approval:

President: Bev Middleton  
Vice President: Dorothy Buxton  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice: Jeff Alexander  
Secretary: Veronica  
Treasurer: Pat Johnson  
Asst. Treasurer: Patsy Oxley

Jennie moved and Patsy 2<sup>nd</sup> acceptance of this slate of officers. Motion passed.

**Show Business:**

Rose Ann Yates and Jeff Alexander volunteered to be in charge of public relations for the year. Rose Ann said she would help market and promote the show and would also sit with the show if needed.

After a discussion on the pros and cons of hosting the fall show as usual at the library or moving it to the Shore Arts Center Jeff made a motion to hold the show at the Arts Center. Jeremy 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried. Jeremy will notify the library.

Jeremy suggested we could use judge, Ric Helstrom, again from the 2010 show. He also told about a photography and Photoshop workshop Ric is interested in doing in Lamar for our members. He would teach about photographing artwork and manipulating photos in Photoshop. Jeremy will contact Ric regarding the workshop and scheduling.

It was decided our fall show will be Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup> with a wine and cheese reception Thur. 27<sup>th</sup> to coincide with Moonlight Madness. Georgetta moved we go ahead with these plans, Pat 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion passed. Rose Ann will handle paperwork required to serve wine at the Shore Arts Center and will check with Juliet (her mother) at A & B Liquor about selling wine to us at cost.

## New Business:

Rose Ann informed us that the recent SEC Arts Council membership drive was a success with 130 in attendance.

Bev announced entries for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Fe Trail Day Art Show will be April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Carol Demas told of the Spinners and Weavers organization meetings every Wed. in Rocky Ford.

Karen Voepel's photography contest will be held again in May.

Trevor reported Vince Gearhart is working on an artist directory. He suggested summer would be a good time to schedule workshops at the Arts Center since the square dancers and musicians take the summer off. Trevor also expressed his belief that our membership should be mentoring young art enthusiasts as a way to grow our organization.

## Shore Window Business:

Looking ahead to Lamar Day, members discussed participating in the parade but opted to put a special display in the window instead. Trevor offered both windows for use by the Guild during the summer months. Jeremy's work will be on display in June.

Bev, Jeremy, and Jennie will meet to decorate the window. Pat asked about having the Center open during the parade. Rose Ann and Trevor would like to do that and keep it open a couple afternoons a week throughout the summer.

Next meeting will be held at Mary Lynne Pruett's home in July.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00.