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CAG Board Minutes for December 11, 2023

Members Present:

Amy Wandless, Vince Pitelka, Selden Lamoureux, Steevie Parks, Leslie Palmer, Karen West, Louise Hobbs, Minnie Gallman, Janet Place

Minutes: Steevie Parks

The November minutes were approved via email.

Treasurer's Report: Selden Lamoureux

We recently received payment from three new working members from the pool of new members, and one new member who signed on as non-working. Our current balance is \$26,512.30. Selden will draft an email to all committee chairs stating how much of their balance has been spent to date. We have yet to receive the funds from the Grassroots grant that was approved for 2023, and have not yet heard back about our Capacity Building grant application.

President's Report: Amy Wandless

There was some discussion about looking into the old Ag Center on the square as a possible location for our Pre-Tour show in the future.

There was a consensus that the added 7500 copies of the brochure was a good investment for the guild.

There was some discussion about purchasing a 'brick' at the Chatham County Library for \$250.00.

We need to elect a new president, vice president and secretary at our next AMM meeting on January 21st. In the meantime, we need to talk to members to see if anyone might be interested in serving on the board.

Public Relations: Janet Place/Donna Stubbs

Janet reported that she has been paying bills, and has a few more to go before the end of the year.

Education: Louise Hobbs

The art activity tent at the Pittsboro Street Fair was a big success, as was the student show at Chatham Mills. Louise will calculate what might be left over in the Education Budget after all expenditures. Louise suggested that the educational workshops for guild members should be a separate committee or subcommittee. She also reported that the K-12 teachers requested another educational workshop from guild members by the end of the school year.

Smelt: Leslie Palmer/Karen West

1. 367 pieces have been exhibited at the Smelt in 2023.
2. The Smelt committee should hold its first meeting in December in order to plan shows for the entire year.
3. We have not yet received the Smelt sign that we were promised.
4. The take down for the All Members Show is January 30th.
5. The gallery hours were not advertised correctly and this will be corrected. The correct hours are Saturday noon to 10pm and Sunday 10 to 6pm. (??)
6. We need to clarify the rules for exhibiting at the Smelt so that our rules are in line with those of professional galleries.
7. It's time to start paying for advertising for the gallery.
8. We also need to encourage CAG members to hold committee meetings at the Smelt so that we have more of a presence there.
9. We should also consider having gallery sitters. These could be CAG members or EAP students.
10. We need to decide whether or not we take on the Latino Artists exhibit to support diversity and grant acquisition.
11. We need to decide whether or not to hold an open call exhibit as a fundraiser. Steevie brought up the idea of having a silent auction.
12. We need to re-evaluate where to hold the Pre-Tour show.

Website: Vince Pitelka

1. Our studio tour page has been updated to 2024.
2. Lani Chavez is taking over the newsletter and Cat and Lani will be doing the news page together.

Brochure: Minnie Gallman

People loved the 2023 brochure.

Exhibitions: Boots Quimby

There is a new point person at 79 West and both Boots and Donna Stubbs have been in touch with them.

Fundraising: Diane Swan

Nothing to report. All went well. Diane was working the phones while recovering from being ill.

Membership: Forrest Greenslade and Vidabeth Benson

Three new members signed up as working members and one as non-working.

Operations: Amy Wandless/Vince Pitelka

Karen Greager will be analyzing the tour results this year.

Distribution: Jeff Clark

All brochures were distributed.

Signs: Timothy Dowdall and Nancy Ann Moore

All signs and sandwich boards were delivered to their needed locations.

Unfinished Business: Amy Wandless

Upcoming meetings:

The January board meeting will be held on Monday, January 8th from 6-8pm in Amy's studio.

The next All Members Meeting will be held at the Chatham Grove Community Center on January 21st from 2-4pm. All 2023 tour members will be encouraged to bring their signs to the AMM in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 8pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Steevie Parks, Board Secretary