

SIERRA WATERCOLOR SOCIETY
Board Meeting Minutes
November 11, 2017
Renown Board Room, 1155 Mill Street Reno, NV
10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: 10:03 a.m.

In Attendance:

- **Board Members:** President Tricia Leonard, Past President Kay Tietz, Vice President Gina Lijoi, Treasurer Laurel Sweigart, Secretary Carol Baker
- **Committee Members & Members-at-Large:** Ronnie Rector, Linda Parisi, Kathy Martin, Nancy Podewils-Baba, Anette Rink, Linda Halicki, Diane Sewell, Judy Berland

Minutes: There were no corrections to the August 5, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes. Ronnie Rector motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Laurel Sweigart. The minutes of the August 5, 2017 Board Meeting are approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Laurel Sweigart

Report Date: October 2017

Beginning Bank Balance			\$32,274.04
	Income	Expense	
Art Angels	0.00	0.00	
Workshop	700.00	4,609.74	
SWS	575.00	500.45	
Total	<u>1,275.00</u>	<u>5,110.19</u>	
Ending Bank Balance			\$28,287.85

There were no corrections to the October 2017 Treasurers Report. Nancy Podewils-Baba motioned to approve the Treasurers Report, seconded by Kay Tietz. The October 2017 Treasurers Report was approved as presented.

Laurel also presented a SWS Profit and Loss Report as of October 2017

Workshops and Demonstrations: Gina Lijoi

2018: Eva Nichols, Demo, Jan 13
Michael Reardon, March 7-9
Michael Holter, May 9-12
Julie Pollard, Aug 14-18 (Judge)
David Lobenberg, Oct 9-13

2019: TBD, January 12, 2019
Stan Miller, March 6-8, Demo March 9
Alvaro Castagnet, May 8-10, Demo May 11
TBD, August
Sterling Edwards, Oct 22-25, Demo Oct 26

Linda Parisi suggested having a demo from Golden Art Supplies. Laurel Sweigart also suggested a demo on framing. After some discussion it was determined that we should reserve framing demo's for the lunch hour. A few suggestions for 2020 were Paul Jackson, who is available, Dale Laitinen and Steven Quiller. Tricia suggested taking a survey on who we would like to have for future workshops.

Hospitality: Sherri Muniz (not present)

Art Angels and Community Outreach: Nancy Podewils-Baba

- *Community Outreach: The workshop scheduled at Sparks Heritage Museum on Sept. 16 was cancelled because only 8 children signed up; they were redirected to the December workshop at Wilbur May Museum, and 6 of those children signed up for that workshop. To date we have 40 children registered for the 12/9/17 workshop (max: 50) as well as 7 instructors, 2 matter/greeters, and 5 helpers.*

Silent Auction and Raffle: At the Oct. 14, General Meeting Nancy sent around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to oversee the Silent Auction and Raffle to benefit Art Angels and continues to need help covering some of those times. She requested board members to sign up, if possible, to help cover some of those times. Nancy received 4 donated paintings by guest artists, Sterling Edwards, Jeannie Vodden, Birgit O'Connor and Bev Jozwiak for the raffle. She also has several pledges of small original paintings for the Silent Auction by SWS members as well as 4 in hand. About 20 paintings are needed for the Auction.

- *Art Angels Classes in the schools: Classroom visits continue 2-3 times per month, and are scheduled through the remainder of the school year. Linda James has instructed 2 classes, and will do so periodically going forward.*

Publicity: Nancy Podewils-Baba

Nancy has posted notices about the Winter Exhibit, the potluck reception, and the Silent Auction and Raffle on the online calendar sites, KUNR, Reno News & Review, and Arts4Nevada.

Facebook: Kathryn Dudley (not present)

Scholarships: Kathryn Dudley (not present)

Exhibits: Anette Rink, Coordinator

Upcoming Exhibits 2017:

May Museum, Nov7-Dec 10 Diane Sewell, Chair

Diane said we actually sell less at the May Museum than most of their other shows, however we have better attendance than all of the other shows at the May Museum.

We did have our lowest artist participation this year than in past years. There were 49 paintings this year.

2018 Exhibit Calendar: Anette Rink

- *Anette spoke to representatives with Reno Little Theater regarding a spring show. They have a rail system in their gallery space now. Other exhibits suggested were: North Valley Library- Mar- Apr
Wilbur May Museum - May 1 – Jun 3
Sparks Museum - Aug 10 – Sept. , reception on Sept 8
TBD Jun – Jul*
- *Ronnie brought up the possibility of reviewing our framing requirements, and possibly including watercolor canvas and aqua board in our exhibits. Tricia said this would require reviewing our standing rules in the coming year for possible changes to include these other suggestions. Ronnie Rector has plans for a suggestion box to get input from members.*
- *Kathy Martin suggested changing the reception for the Sparks Museum Show to Sept 22nd to take advantage of the Smithsonian's free admissions day.*
- *Virginia McLaughlin suggested that the board could consider chairs of shows be exempt from entry fees. Per Tricia and Kay officers and chairs are expected to donate their time.*
- *We need a more streamline take-in system, possibly a new computer and software system. Nancy Podewils-Baba made a motion to purchase a new label printer for our shows not to exceed \$500, which was seconded by Diane Sewel. The motion was approved.*
- *Linda Halicki suggested a system where each artist registers online prior to entry. Anette will research developing a system.*
- *Judy Berland questioned the May Museum's requirement for participants to complete the w-9 tax form. The Museum must have the form completed on hand so Washoe County can issue checks to the artists for their paintings that sold, and have nothing to do with sales tax.*
- *Judy also wanted to know if we had size requirements for paintings in our shows. Ronnie said we have never had size requirements. That is up to the chair for each individual show. If miniatures are acceptable in a show, it would be stated on the entry form.*

Video Library: Linda Halicki

Linda wanted to know if we have a budget for the library. Tricia suggested that she present a budget to the board in April. We have acquired several art books which are cumbersome to haul back and forth to meetings. Linda suggested having a photo catalog and check out system online. Members could go online to check out a book and Linda would bring it to the next meeting. We also have a new DVD of Julie Gilbert Pollard in our library.

Membership: Sally Dupre (not present)

Membership count: _____.

Challenge: *Judy Berland.*

March- Paint a sculpture

Newsletter: *Ronnie Rector (no report)*

Website: *Hope Thompson (not present)*

Board Meeting Calendar: *Renown Board Room, Mill Street 10:00 a.m.*

2018: February 10, April 7, August 4, September 8, November 10

General Meeting Calendar: *Temple Sinai, 10:30 a.m. (except as noted)*

2018:

January 13, March 10, May 12, August 18, October 13

Other business:

SWS Archives: *Kathy Martin*

Kathy completed the SWS Archival Annual Report. She wanted to remind everyone that what is given to the Historical Society is their property. She cautioned us to be careful what we give them. We will have to pay them if we need any copies.

Announcements:

Gina said registration for the Michael Reardon workshop will be open soon.

Linda Parisi reminded us that we need someone to replace her for ordering name tags.

Motion to Adjourn: Kay Tietz Second: Ronnie Rector

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.