# FAIRFIELD-SUISUN CITY VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION



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#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 2018**

## I. FSVAA Regular Board Meeting was held on Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Dennis Ariza, Vice President, in the Solano Town Center Gallery, Fairfield.

In Attendance: Dennis Sheil, Janet Barnes, Dennis Ariza, Marci Cervantes,

JoRené Danel, Robin Rossi, Ken Chew, and Doug Cooper

Absent: Lucy Foldhazi Guest: Mei-Ling Albert

Dennis Ariza motioned to approve the Minutes of May 2018 and Robin Rossi seconded the motion.

Motion carried; Minutes were approved.

### **II. Finance Report** (*Marci Cervantes*)

- A. Marci Cervantes distributed the Profit & Loss Statement dated May 2018. Report shows a net income of \$877.64 for the month of May.
- B. There was a question regarding the Amazon donation. Marci Cervantes explained that every time someone makes a purchase at www.smile.amazon.com, Amazon will donate a percentage to your favorite charitable organization.
- C. A question was asked re expense of \$25 for "Exempt Org Return." Marci Cervantes explained that it was for FSVAA's 2017 Exempt Organization Return, paid to the Attorney General Registry of Charitable Trusts for Gross Receipts received of \$55,120 during 2017.

# III. Membership (JoRené Danel)

- A. JoRené Danel reported that we currently have 92 members. There are a few members for which we do not have forms. She will contact those members.
- B. Dennis Ariza reported that he will re-write the New Members packet.

### IV. Solano Town Center Gallery (Dennis Ariza)

- A. Dennis Ariza reported that we have only \$2,000 to spend on track lighting.
- B. Dennis Ariza reported that we received five grants from Macy's. There were four classes that received \$1,000 each. Must use up all the money and must only go to giving classes. The Military Class with Mona Lisa was full of which all were Active or spouses. Dennis also reported that we sold several gift cards and made the money back.

Janet Barnes suggested having classes for Macy's employees.

Dennis Ariza reported that Mona Lisa wants to do another class but in the courtyard, and he believes Macy's classes will continue. There's also \$1200 for another art class and will talk to Anna Chunn.

Robin Rossi volunteered to purchase tablecloths for the folding tables.

# V. Lawler House Gallery (Robin Rossi)

A. Robin Rossi reported that the Gallery's front-door doorstop was sold for \$40 and the money will be donated to the Gallery.

Dennis Ariza reported on the purchase of LHG. Josh was given an estimate of over half a million dollars to buy LH. Does not include repairs.

- B. Marci Cervantes suggested changing the new summer hours from 1-6 pm to Noon-5 pm because for years the Gallery has opened at Noon, and is on our postcards and signage and "regular" customers are accustomed to the Gallery being open at Noon. JoRené motioned that the summer hours be Noon-5 pm until the end of September. Robin Rossi seconded the motion; one abstained; motion carried.
- C. Mei-Ling Albert and JoRené Danel wanted to discuss new Policies and Procedures for the Gift Shop.

JoRené suggested that the prices be reasonable, and that the artist should be the one to set the price. Also, there is not enough space for everyone. Will have to ask some artists to reduce their inventory.

Mei-Ling spoke with Mary Gail Taylor about removing some of her work. Gail said she might not be around much longer.

Mei-Ling asked Janet Barnes - Do we have the right to not accept certain art work? Janet Barnes said to tell artist that there is no guarantee that the art will be accepted. Janet Barnes and Dennis Sheil both suggested changing "Drop-Off" to take place only on Intake Day.

Mei-Ling Albert would like to have artists first submit pictures of their art.

Janet Barnes suggested that we need to freshen up the Gift Shop with some different pieces, and that some pieces have been there for years.

JoRené Danel reported that there are three people who have their own displays (Kirk Bragdon, Mary Gail Taylor and Christine Golez) and that there's no room for anyone else unless these artists are willing to share. JoRené will ask these artists to see if they are willing to share. If not, then LHG should buy displays.

Dennis Sheil suggested we look at pricing displays, and would like to do some remodeling. JoRené Danel reported that the Vacaville Art Gallery accepts art based on quality.

#### VI. FSVAA (Dennis Sheil)

- A. Social Media: Dennis Sheil reported that Lucy Foldhazi is doing a great job.
- B. Committees: Dennis Ariza sent an e-mail to all members re the Docent Committee and did receive a few responses. Some people are available to meet.

### VII. New Business (Dennis Ariza)

- A. Art by the Bay: Dennis Ariza does not think it's a good idea for members to share booths since it's our big fundraiser. Should charge a higher fee if they want to share, and only two artists per booth. The date is set for Saturday, October 6. Will be located by the Waterfront instead of between LH and the theatre. Will need two docents at LH. Also need to find a food truck.
- B. Dennis Ariza reported that Macy's wants Air Force murals on sides of escalators.

### VIII. Art on the Vine 2018 (Dennis Ariza)

A. Dennis Ariza reported that just a few people did okay. Also, the food truck will not return. There were no sales.

# **IX.** Old Business (Dennis Ariza)

- A. Mannequins Community Art Project: Dennis Ariza reported that he is still trying to find a charity.
- B. Critique Night: Dennis Ariza is going to reschedule.

# X. Next Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2018, 7:00 pm. Date will be confirmed via e-mail.

# XII. Adjournment

Dennis Sheil adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

Prepared by Marci Cervantes, FSVAA Treasurer, in Lucy Foldhazi's absence.