

Revised minutes for approval:

***MINUTES OF JANUARY 2016 BOARD MEETING,  
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Mooresville Arts Board of Directors met January 18, 2016 at the Depot. Chris McIntosh, Jessica DeHart, Sandie Bell, Alice Holleman, Ellen Patterson, Stephanie Gainer and Jeannine Tieri and Shelly Zulli were present.

The meeting was called to order. The financial report was reviewed. Jeannine Tieri was elected treasurer and welcomed onto the Board. Jeannine will meet with Alice and Leo if possible to learn our bookkeeping system and assume some of the duties Alice has been covering. She will also look for an accountant to handle our taxes.

Bruna had sent an email regarding a welcome packet and new member information. We will ask Brunna to once again prepare the welcome packet, Alice will advise of new members and can send whatever info Brunna will need. We want to include benefits of membership including reduced entry fees for shows and for some classes and workshops, discounted art supplies at Cheap Joes and Binders, exhibition opportunities, and supporting a local non-profit arts organization.

The Gift Shop Committee reported sales of \$1,303.46 for 2015 and \$668.47 for December alone. Docents need a reminder to be sure to collect sales tax.

We also discussed dues again. We have fallen far behind in reminders to our members and dues collection. Leo has prepared a list of members by due date and most of us appear to be in arrears. In the future we will have only two due dates, March 1 and September 1. For this year only we will prorate dues until the due date closest to the member's current due date at \$3.34 per month. For instance, mine were due 11/30, I will pay dues for 10 months ( $\$40 - 6.68 = \$33.12$ ) and thereafter will owe the entire amount October 1. This will be published in the PP, and we will see if Leo can help get the info out to the members.

Stephanie Gainer has agreed to be our new Program Chair and was welcomed onto the board. She would like some suggestions for future programs. Chris McIntosh will do a demo of his painting technique at the next demo February 21. Stephanie will also be in charge of a summer camp program for children of the Soup Kitchen clients and wants to bring a group to the Depot for a gallery tour each summer month. Shelly suggested that we make some kind of package or game to take with them after the tour.

We have had a couple of instances of scratched paintings, and will put up signs in each gallery asking people to not touch or handle the artwork. The Docents will also be reminded to keep an eye of people in the galleries. We'll ask Kaye Storke to re-send a list of docent duties to the current docents, and to add being watchful to the list.

We will try to re-start the Art Walk in the Spring on our reception night. Sandie will try to coordinate with Kim Atkins and downtown businesses.

The Gallery is booked for all of 2016 and part of 2017. Jessica will institute a new submission policy with limited dates once or twice annually to apply for a gallery show and our shows will become more juried. Shelly volunteered to be the overall chair for the Spring Show with help. We still need a chair for hospitality, membership, Social Media (Alice may take this over if some of her other duties are absorbed by the Treasurer), and a VP to attend public meetings, etc on our behalf.

Ellen requested that her position be re-titled Public Relations rather than Publicity, the Board agreed.

Alice announced that we now have a Sam's Club business account, and we can call in an order and pick it up the next day. She also announced that the Paper Town event will be March 24. The Mac & Cheese fashion show will be March 19. Our alcohol license has been renewed for 2016. She also submitted a list of current tasks and duties for review.

Shelly announced that the 2016 Youth Art Show intake will be 2/26-27 1-4 pm, Reception is March 11 6-8pm. The show will be on display until March 31 and pickup dates are April 1-2 from 1-4. Shelly also needs help with the Youth Show as she will be out of town part of that month.

Magnetic name tags for board members were suggested, Jeannine will price them.

The meeting was adjourned. The next regular board meeting will be February 21 after the demo at about 4 pm.

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