

Auburn Old Town Gallery  
218 Washington Street, Auburn, CA 95603  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 2, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at Max's Restaurant at 6:05 pm. Attending: Shoshana Bilunos, Diane Tharp, Dianne Van de Carr, Paul Van de Carr, Patty Pieropan Dong. Absent, Lori Humphrey, Linda Miller, Susan Stoll, Connie Rodriguez, KayLynn Sanderson.

Secretary, Approval of Minutes, Diane Tharp: The minutes for the January 6, 2020 Board Meeting were approved as corrected, the motion made by Patty Pieropan Dong and seconded by Dianne Van de Carr.

Vice President's Report, Patty Pieropan Dong:

There is a problem with the POS designation for Louise Bezark and Laura Bracken, both with LB as their identifying label. Patty will refer this to Keith Smith for resolve and will copy her message to Louise and Laura.

The Placer High School Parent Organization is organizing their Green and Gold Food and Wine Festival fundraiser on May 2nd. They have asked the gallery for a donation. It was decided that the gallery will not make a donation, but individual members will be invited to donate.

Patty is the gallery representative on the Art Walk Committee. The gallery will participate in the Auburn Art Walk in April and September. The Art Walk will be concentrated in Downtown, but there will be 3 sites in Old Town on the Art Walk map.

Treasurer's Report, Lori Humphrey: There was no Treasurer's Report.

Committee Reports:

Membership, Connie Rodriguez: Five of the six new artists are in the gallery. Sylviane will hang her work on March 4th. Wayne Perceval decided to go on the wait list as his life is too full right now to enter the gallery. There are no new applicants at this time.

Publicity, Susan Stoll: There was no Publicity report. There was discussion about the non-gallery related postings lately on Facebook. These are random postings with an art theme, but with no relation to the gallery. It is the board's opinion that postings should relate directly to the gallery and its artists. Shoshi will discuss this with Laura Bracken.

Events, Dianne Van de Carr:

Kaylynn and Dianne met and planned events for the upcoming year. It was decided to have a banner printed from Costco to use as a "Photo Booth" backdrop for our featured show in April highlighting photography, the Co-Ops, and the gallery's 25th Anniversary. Susan Stoll provided the graphics. KayLynn and Dianne will bring fun props for visitors to pose with and encourage people to take photos with their own phones and share on social media.

The Taste of Chocolate was well attended. Total sales for the day were \$895.99 and only \$56 of the sales were before and after the event. Mary Cargile provided around 150 clay hearts and there were about 150 left from last year. Linda Miller painted hearts for the feature wall and inspirational examples for patrons. KayLynn also donated a mosaic art piece for the Taste of Chocolate auction.

Dianne suggested that the gallery have a member 25th Anniversary celebration at the Woodside Community Center, perhaps the first Monday in October. Pizza, salad, and cake could be provided at no charge to the members. Dianne will present this at the next Membership meeting.

Display, Paul Van de Carr:

Jenn Norpchen and Stacey Lamothe are looking into carpet samples and prices through Jenn's job with the state and Home Depot. Samples will be available for membership input.

Paul will talk to the membership at the meeting about art labels. There needs to be a plan when members only need one label. The label could be handwritten or printed on plain white copy paper. There are members who volunteer to print labels around the gallery that are handwritten.

Display, Linda Miller: The gallery is caught up on moves. There will be more in a couple of months.

Old Business:

Departed Artists: Kathleen Woolsey, Phil Evans, Sherron Totter, Jennifer Lile, Jerianne Van Dijk

Double Space Membership: It would be desirable to eliminate the Membership Agreement language about double space membership. Shoshana has put together a Bylaws Adhoc committee consisting of herself, Meg Black-Smith, Jenn Norpchen, Keith Smith, Stacy Pedri, Linda Miller, and Jane Markham. This committee will meet in March and review the Bylaws and Membership Agreement and suggest changes to the membership.

Membership Meeting: There will be a membership meeting on March 16, 2020.

New Computer: Doug Parks is researching a new computer. He is estimating the cost will be about \$2,000.

Plan for Coronavirus Safety: There was a brief discussion about safety in light of a possible virus outbreak. There should be a backup plan for last minute substitutes when members are sick. No one should come in and work their shift if they are ill.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diane Tharp, Secretary.