

Minutes of Charleston Artist Guild Members' Meeting—March 8, 2011

CAG Business Manager Steve Jacobs called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm in the Irene Dixon Auditorium of Roper Hospital, Charleston, SC. Minutes from the February 2011 Members' meeting were accepted as printed on the website. Steve also gave the treasurer's report in Diane Musgrove's absence. A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report; motion passed.

Steve noted that the Board is preparing to assemble a Finance Committee to review our income & expenses. This small group would meet quarterly to oversee plans for the Guild's finances and make recommendations to the Board of Directors. It will assure clear and accurate treasurer's reports and budgets. Any volunteers interested in serving should contact Pam Schussel.

Steve also announced that the Board voted to give the proceeds of the Calendar project to the Boys & Girls Club of North Charleston for their children's art program:

Steve read the following statement to the members:

"The Boys & Girls Club program in our area is a stable and competently run organization that plays a significant and positive role in community life. We received a clear, detailed budget of their request for funds as well as a sound plan of activities. They also noted that there will again be an opportunity for CAG volunteers to participate in helping the children during the summer program in North Charleston.

The organization has had a successful ongoing art program that dove-tails into their national effort to increase the creative experience for needy children. Youngsters with the guidance of teachers or counselors produce paintings, photographs and other art projects that will be entered in a show. The winning pieces go on to a regional contest, and those winners are then sent to be entered in the national contest in California."

Steve announced that The Exceptional Art Exhibition was a great success—with over a hundred entries. Thanks to Russ Buskirk and his hanging committee, Steve Jacobs for his keyboard entertainment, and especially to Susan Trott who worked tirelessly with her husband's help to organize the whole event.

Steve also informed the group that "Tonight is the awards reception at First Federal for the High School Seniors Art Exhibition. Three new scholarships are awarded: the Ellis Foundation Scholarship, the Martin Ahrens Memorial Scholarship, and the Ali Sayas Memorial Scholarship—each in the amount of \$1,000. There will also be ribbons for first, second, third, and honorable mention in other categories. Russ Buskirk, Pam Schussel, and Muriel Lanciault will participate in the ceremonies with Joyce Hall and Mary Sayas actually awarding the scholarship scrolls."

Pat Huff was not present, so her report on the Gallery's progress will be presented in April.

Robin Mcgee asked Steve to announce this tonight(March 8th) would be the absolute deadline to register for the jurying-in process on March 13th

Tina Mayland announced that there was still room in the Doug Dawson workshop.

Steve also noted that the nominating committee has met twice and is making progress. Susanne Frenzel, Faye Sullivan, Mike Mulligan, Ginny Versteegen are the members with Steve & Pam advisors.

Steve called for a motion to adjourn. Program Director Alana Knuff introduced the speaker: Rhett Thurman whose subject was "On Becoming an Artist".

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Jacobs