PLANTATION ARTISTS' GUILD & GALLERY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Members and Standing Committee Chairs Present: Sherry Ferber, Susan Hitchcock, Barbara Hopkins, Vickie Maley, Ed Mosher, Brenda Price, Gary Rubin

Call to Order: President Sherry Ferber called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Officer Reports

President: Sherry Ferber: Sherry welcomed everyone.

Secretary: Vickie Maley: Gary moved to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2020 board meeting. Susan seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by all present.

1st Vice President: Barbara Hopkins: Currently, all days the gallery is open are covered in July. Exhibiting artists must sign into the Members section of the website, go to the calendar and sign in there. The paper copy is no longer available. The sign about masks will be changed to state masks are required per Nassau County mandate. Discussion about dropping 'plantation' from our name was tabled until more information is available from Omni. There are two new artists requesting membership in our gallery who are Omni residents. One of those artists, Janet Kolar, is now showing her work in the gallery. There is no need for a call for artists at this time.

2nd **Vice President**: Ed Mosher: Rehang in the Amelia Executive Suites is July 16 from 10-to noon. Ed is monitoring supplies and replenishing as needed.

Treasurer: Gary Ruben reported sales of \$12,666.50 for June through Internet and gallery sales. (The gallery reopened on May 22, 2020.) Of that total sales amount, \$380 was reserved for the gallery; \$8,233.25 was paid in artist commissions; \$4,053.28 was paid to Omni.

A discussion about adding a member of the online sales committee to the standing committee membership of the board was discussed and agreed it was necessary. A job description of that position and the committee will need to be created for the Operations Manual. It was agreed the members of that committee will be contacted for input before action is taken.

Reminders about the new online sales process:

- 1. Karen Bowden needs to be contacted when sales are made in the gallery by the desk worker.
- 2. Also, as art is sold and replaced, the Artist's web contact, Karen, Trish or Cindy, need to be notified of changes.
- 3. Remember that as sales are made through online sales from the gallery, AIES or Osprey, the sales are assigned to the gallery. A request to consider organizing the sales by location was discussed.

It was agreed that a pedestal can be added to the gallery by the prospective new member sculptor.

It was agreed to suspend this quarter's July 14 members' meeting.

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Guild Director: Ginger Bender: No new activity due to COVID.

Remaining corner member artists for the year 2020.

- 1. July Cindy Jenkins
- 2. August Sandra Hughes
- 3. September-Deni Karpowich
- 4. October Nancy Bartmess
- 5. November Trish Jones
- 6. December Depy Adams

Art Lovers: Noelle Armond: Noelle reported there will be two new members in the gallery. Janet Kolar, painter and a sculptor - TBA.

Hospitality: Brenda Price: No report as there are no activities being conducted.

Publicity: Susan Hitchcock: The posts on Facebook are generating business, sharing on other sites, thousands of likes, etc. Karen, Noelle and committee created a video opening of the new show since a physical show could not be held. It can be viewed on the website. Thank you to these two members, as well as Deni Karpowich, Depy Adams and Cindy Jenkins who also are featured on the video. It is hoped that a video can be created for each quarterly opening. Thank you to Chris Hestand, videographer.

Monthly artist features for the South Island Living articles are

July: Deni Karpovich August: Depy Adams

Omni Liaison: Al Watson: No report.

Historian: Ann Stanhope: No report

Old Business: None

New Business:

Barbara reported that an American artist, Jill Steenhuis, who is living in France, will be visiting the area in October. She has agreed to offer the gallery a lecture/workshop on October 30-31, 2020. The cost is \$575 for up to 12 members which includes both days and all supplies. Barbara needs to know if there is interest in this workshop which will be open to members only. Barbara will be sending out more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 pm by President Sherry Ferber.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Maley