

Membership Meeting April 4, 2023 – MINUTES.

Call to order 6:45 by President Phyllis Renninger

Minutes from March 7 meeting were approved.

Presentation of donation from Society of Mixed Media Artists to the Art Guild from Phyllis Appleby, former treasurer, Linda Hawkins, Leslie Kruzicki, and Kathy Plante (former SoMMA member and current AGOP members). The check was for \$6,460.00. SoMMA disbanded about a year ago. All former members of SoMMA will be invited to become members of AGOP now through August without charge. Letters will be sent out this week.

Membership report: Sandy Jones reported 120 members with one new member tonight.

Treasurer report: Edie Dozsa reported we have \$22,887.73 in the checking account.

Past President report: Field trip to Savannah was cancelled due to weather however the field trip to the Cummer Museum is still on for April 11. Deborah presented the slate of officers for next year. Due to lack of volunteers, Phyllis Renninger and Edie Dozsa will remain on as President and Treasurer. There were no volunteers for the Vice President position, so it remains unfilled. Rhona Scoville has graciously volunteered for the secretary position. The slate was approved by the members.

Committee chairs were introduced: Beth Hazslip, Kathy Plante, Linda Hawkins, Sandy Jones Nancy Page will remain in their respective positions. Kim Russell has volunteered to be the chair of Community Service.

Kim Russell announced a new community Service project. Paint the crosswalks at OP Elementary School. Summer Project “Celebrating 50 Years” will commence in June.

New Meeting location for AGOP will be 150 Fox Valley Drive OP. The Susan Grogan watercolor workshop will be held there tomorrow also.

Dee Roberts and Beth Hazslip discussed the parameters for the Club Continental Art and Garden show May 16, a one-day show. Two paintings per artist are permitted. Tickets are on sale now for \$8.00 each.

Linda Hawkins has items for sale commemorating our 50th anniversary.

Nancy Page announced applicants for the Courtenay Hunt Scholarship will be interviewed next week. Art donations are needed for our scholarship winner which will be \$1000.00.

Phyllis displayed the very nice article in the Clay Today which will have a regular feature titled Paint the Town. We also need volunteers to hand write sponsor letters for the Gala in September. The Gala date has changed to September 22 and we are still searching for a venue.

An Art Studio Tour is being scheduled for October 28. Several artists will open their studios for visitors from 10 to 4PM.

The business meeting was adjourned, and our Presenter Susan Grogan gave us a wonderful watercolor demonstration for the remainder of the evening.