

Art Guild of Orange Park Board Meeting, May 28, 2024, 9:30 AM– 11:30 AM,
Grumpy's Restaurant, Orange Park

Meeting was called to order at 9:20 AM.

Present: Phyl Renninger, Sandra Jones, Debbie Cusick, Edie Dozsa, Andrea Sibilla, Linda Hawkins, Beth Haizlip, and Rhona Scoville.

Minutes from the April 22, 2024 board meeting were emailed to board members and approved on consensus.

Brief Reports:

President -

A. Meeting Dates, 2024-25 general meeting dates are September 9, October 7, November 4, December 2 (Christmas Party), January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, and May 5. Please add dates to your calendars.

B AGOP Committee Budgets - Phyl went over main points.

C. Art Gone Wild Event - Discussed setting up dates for paint days. We need to get more sponsors to cover upcoming bills, ie. costs of tents, high-top tables & chairs. Board members sell tickets, submit money to Phyl. Planning - bartenders (African beers, wines, and sodas, with tastings), placement of tents, sample passport ideas to replace lanyards. Sandra will contact Metro Diner and La Nopalera about banners by the street and ask about them being sponsors and donors. Have fliers on website for members to print and distribute.

D. Consultant - What went wrong? Rehire for the position? Discussed simplifying job description - focus on fundraising and increasing membership. Be sure of Excel proficiency. Possibility: Linda withdraws from board and the communications job becomes a paid position (Review By-laws for any needed adjustments or changes.).

E. Community Service - We need to fill the position. Look over membership roles for ideas.

Vice-President - Discussed giving the job of coordinating publication of Artistic Views to VP and put the committee together now rather than waiting until September. Get the books into places where books are sold. Possibility for next year to make a calendar rather than a book.

Treasurer We're in good shape. May balance \$40,900. Art in the Garden silent auction netted \$740, raffle \$2300, 243 tickets sold, \$2300 for Art Guild minus expenses.

Secretary - Edie has printed inventory. Phyll is taking leftover work from Art in the Garden to the storage facility and adding it to the inventory.

Membership - We have 97-100 members. The May membership survey consisted of open-ended questions and yielded no data, 20 surveys returned. Perhaps create a survey for the website using Survey Monkey.

Past President Discussed possible field trips such as St. Johns Botanical Gardens. Add a request for field trip ideas to survey.

Workshops/Programs Programs AGOP 2024-2025

Sept. 9th - no demo

Oct. 7th - Carron Wedlund pastel
Nov. 4th - Juliette Belmonte
Dec. 2nd or 9th - xmas party
Jan. 6th - Paul Ladnier oil landscape <https://www.paulladnierfineart.com>
Feb. 3rd Bill Gura portrait
March 3rd - Janet Rogers watercolor
April 7th - Paula Pascucci <https://www.paulapascucci.com> mix media
May 5th -Swap meet
Workshops
Oct. 8th Carron Wedlund pastel
Nov. 5th Juliette Belmonte acrylic portraits
Jan- 7th Paul Ladnier oil landscape
Feb. - Bill Gura at his home - dates to be announce.
March 4th /5th Janet Rogers watercolor
April 8th Paula Pascucci - mix media

Exhibits Report unavailable.

Communication Linda will add new website information as she gets it, will send out an Art Gone Wild e-blast so members can print and distribute fliers. Phyl suggested photos of board members at work, showing what they do.

Scholarships Nancy sent in a suggestion to increase scholarship from \$1500 to \$2000. Beth suggested looking for new sponsors within the arts community - art stores, etc.

Community Service - Summer Project A few of us discussed what we're doing for our summer projects. There are several mural projects coming up. Orange Park Garden Club wants us to paint a small mural on an exterior door at their headquarters.

Constant Contact May 30, information to Wendy Sullivan; cc to Linda asap.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:11 AM.

Next board meeting is Tuesday, June 24, 2024, 9:30 AM at Grumpy's Restaurant, Orange Park.

Reminder: Strategic Planning Meeting is July 22, 2024, 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM at Orange Park Town Hall Conference Room.