

Art Guild of Orange Park Membership Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 3, 2025, Location: 150 Fox Valley Drive, Orange Park

The meeting was called to order by President Phyllis Renninger at 6:26 PM.

Phyl asked for a motion to accept the October 6, 2025 membership minutes. Bill Gura made the motion; Jeanie Brockhausen seconded it, and the motion passed.

Consultant Sarah Sawyer welcomed the members and guests.

Membership Report - We had three renewals, two guests, and there are now 79 members.

President's Report- Gala: The gala brought in over \$10,000 after bills have been paid. 22 paintings sold and ten sets of cards. Next year we'd like to have more paintings to offer. Members said people liked the masquerade and the formal attire.

Gallery Update - We are accepting Gallery shower gifts. Signing the lease is contingent on the insurance policy. Phyl later reported that the city agreed to the insurance policy and to sign the lease.

Audit report - An audit committee determined that we have well-run finances and complimented the detail and hard work that goes into the financial records.

Consultant Update - Sarah announced that Dennis Smallwood will be in charge of scheduling the gallery's calendar. Each member will be asked to volunteer one day per month. There is the SoundWalk Roots event in Jacksonville Beach on January 3rd from 3-9PM. Members can sell their art there. The St Johns College Fund is looking for art to show. Waste Not Want Not is a food charity and they want tin cans to be used in a sculpture and they have asked for our help. The Jacksonville Jaguars will hold a similar event.

Exhibits - Our next exhibit will be the gallery opening in January or February. The Penney Farms Retirement Community Juried Art Show is in March-May, and FSCJ will have a show in July and August. December 10th is the take-down of the exhibit at OP City Hall from 9-10AM. November 11 is paint/photography day at Penney Farms.

Scholarships and Holiday Party - The holiday party is on Monday, December 8. There will be a table decorating competition, \$5 entry fee, silent auction, pot luck dinner, and optional ornament exchange. RSVP to Beth. Nancy would like donations of jewelry, gift certificates, and holiday decor for the silent auction, and trips are still available

Workshops and Programs - Corey Mortgat is sick and couldn't attend the evening's program (Beth filled in), but she was able to attend the workshop. We have Paul Ladnier in January, Jackie Molsick in February, and Betty McKee in April.

Community Service - We will be painting the Victorian Christmas panels at the Historic Triangle from 10AM-2PM on November 12-14.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:10PM.

Our next membership meeting is at Fox Valley Center on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 6:30PM.