

GVR Clay Studio of Green Valley MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting January 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Julie Jacques, President. Roll call was taken by Sue Peetoom, Secretary.

Board Members present:

Julie Jacques, President

Sue Peetoom, Secretary

John Carney, Director

Dan Swartz, Director

Russ Nichols, Director

Cyndee Remington, Director

Bud Montgomery, Director

Doug Davis, Director

Board Members absent:

Marcia Campbell, Vice President

Jack Ernest, Past President

Guest attending the meeting: Jay Groothousen, Katy Casey, Linda Gricius

The agenda for the January Board of Directors Meeting was approved and accepted.

The minutes of the December 14, 2018 Board of Directors meeting were approved and accepted.

Board Member Reports

President Julie Jacques reported that a visiting artist of national renown, Wally Asselberghs, gave a presentation to 66 members of the Studio on Raku, Naked Raku, Burnishing, and other elements of Raku. Julie thanked Peggy McGaughey and Patsy Olds for making the arrangements. This was the first visiting artist to come to the Clay Studio in quite some time.

Green Valley News came to the Studio recently to do an article on the variety of works produced in the Studio. The article will be in the newspaper in the near future. Thanks to Ruth Clayton for making the arrangements.

Julie Jacques reported that Marcia Campbell, Vice President, had nothing new to report.

Bud Montgomery, Treasurer reported on the current financial status of the Studio. Total assets were \$89,926.39 as of December 31, 2018. Currently there is \$19,737 in the checking account; two deposits of \$4000 were made; a check was sent to the Department of Revenue for \$726.30 for 2018 taxes. There

was a short discussion. Details and specifics are in the Ledger, available at the Clay Studio.

Secretary Sue Peetoom: Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Education Committee: Julie Jacques reported that the Canoa Hills February show sign-up and arrangements are going well. Deadline for submission of items is January 25, 2019.

The fee for the visiting artist, Wally Asselberghs, was \$300.

Maintenance and Security: Jay Groothousen reported that there were two leaks detected – one in the Kiln Room window, which has been repaired, and another in the roof, which is currently being addressed. The estimated time for the door/wall repair is February 18-25, with an approximate two-week period for the work. It is anticipated that the Studio will not close, but portions will be blocked off.

Finance: Katy Casey reported that the financial statements format has been changed and will be reflected in the January reports.

Glaze: John Carney indicated nothing new to report.

Membership: No report.

Monitors: Julie Jacques reported for Diane Willcutt that most people are stepping up and receiving monitor training, with a few exceptions being allowed, per the requirements that went into effect January 1, 2019. The schedules are being filled much more easily.

Supplies: Sue Peetoom reported that everyone continues to assist in reporting low supplies or outages in order to have the Studio well stocked.

Social: No report.

Newsletter: No report.

IT: Linda Gricius indicated the website has been updated, with continuing updates made as necessary. Pictures of new officers have been uploaded, and the new bylaws and policy manual have been uploaded for member viewing.

Kilns: Jay Groothousen and Katy Casey reported all kilns are working well, with only routine maintenance is being performed as needed.

Bylaws & Policies: No report.

Unfinished Business

Julie Jacques indicated after research it was suggested that contacting Marjons regarding clay prices would not be beneficial. The consensus was not to pursue this matter.

Julie Jacques reported a standing committee could be created by the Board in three to four months to

oversee and monitor the records-keeping of the requirements for members to volunteer 4 hours a month.

The Open House arrangements for February 9, from 12-3, are going well, although more guides are still needed to give tours.

New Business

Marcia Campbell, Vice President, has volunteered to head the Expansion Committee regarding the Fiesta Room space inclusion into the Clay Studio. She attended the January meeting of the GVR Planning and Evaluation Committee. John Carney and Doug Davis volunteered to assist in this project.

Julie Jacques announced that there has been requests and inquiries regarding a Totem Tour in 2019. Discussion was held. It was agreed to have the tour, and Julie indicated she would make the arrangements.

Cyndee Remington mentioned that the water bottles being cleaned with bleach due to the algae caused a problem when the sign indicating the bottles had bleach in them had been moved. Suggested this might be added to the list of duties for those who could not monitor. Julie Jacques made note of this. Also, it was suggested that the bottles be filled as needed, and then the member using the bottle empty it immediately and leave it to air-dry, instead of just replacing on the shelf. This would prevent the algae from forming. This is a procedure that had been done in the past.

Russ Nichols asked if the Intro Class helpers could be credited for their four hours volunteer duty during a month that they assist, if they are not paid. Per the membership form, this is an approved credit.

There are no dates currently set for the Volunteer Lunch and the Studio clean up. There was a suggestion of an earlier clean-up than April, and perhaps a wine&cheese party for all members in lieu of a volunteer lunch. This was tabled until the February Board of Directors meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Important Dates

January 25, 2019	Studio Hours	Deadline to submit entries for Canoa Hills Show
February 1, 2019	8 am	Canoa Hills Show setup
February 2, 2019	3-5 pm	Canoa Hills Artists Reception
February 9, 2019	12-3 pm	Studio/SRS Open House
February 15, 2019	9:30 am	Board of Directors meeting – Fiesta Room