



St. Albert Potter's Guild General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 P.M.

May's Minutes Approved by Tamara Rolls, seconded by Willie Renema

President:

The housekeeping roster and the Cleaning bee sign-up sheets are going around. Please sign up.

The membership renewal forms are here in the studio and will be on the website in the next couple of days. The new date is May 31. The forms must be in by this date, which allows the executive to ascertain how many spots are open for new members.

Application forms are due May 31 as well.

Just a reminder to input your volunteer hours in the book in the studio, as this is used by the city of St. Albert.

There are four executive positions opening up: Vice-president, Treasurer, Communications Director and program Coordinator. Please think about volunteering for one of these positions—when was the last time you were on the executive?

If you are interested in donating a piece of pottery to the Orthopaedic Nursing Conference, please see the letter that has posted on the bulletin board in the studio.

Treasurer:

Ceramics monthly - Do we want to renew? Rachelle put forth the motion to renew ceramics monthly. Laura Rennenberg seconded the motion and was passed by the members present.

Program Coordinator:

When creating a glaze record on the website, it does not allow you to pick another name that is not attached to that particular glaze. Tannis will contact Derek or Marnie Gomez to see if that can be changed.

Communications:

Just a reminder that if it is your month to bring a snack and you cannot, it is your responsibility to find another person to

to switch with.

SAPVAC:

Willie mentioned that the art walk does a monthly draw and it is our turn to donate a piece of pottery. Diane volunteered to donate a piece of pottery and she will contact Sharon at WARES.

Thank you to Mary, Caroline, Elene, and Cynthia for demonstrating at the last Art Walk.

Deadline for submissions for a Guilded Show, A River Runs Through It, is September 5th. The show is November 23rd to November 26th.

Supply and Capital Equipment:

A order came in and requires some strong persons to put the heavy bags where they belong.

Diane is looking into getting wheels on the cart.

Clay:

B Mix is finally in!

Library:

Two DVDs has been donated and will be in the library.

Glazes:

Edith said that people have been great about mixing glazes.

Cone 6 does not have a glaze roster like Cone 9. But perhaps these should be added to the existing roster. Edith, Pat and Nancy will look into this.

Raku:

Margaret mentioned that the door was fixed but there are still issues Linda and her husband will look at it again, it may need more expensive fix.

Ruth and mentioned that it is Marguerite and Gene Brenda's 60th wedding anniversary; she will buy flowers and send a card.

Housekeeping:

Nell mentioned that the sign up sheets are going around for both the regular housekeeping and the cleaning bee which will start next week and go for two weeks! That sheet is full but you can put your name beside a chore. Initial when chore is done!

New Business:

Amount donated to Ovarian Cancer is \$1,123.00. Betty Lou brought information in regarding the two speakers coming. One speaker is scheduled for May 17 and the other is on May 24. Dr. Postovit came to this sale and Betty Lou took her around and she was very impressed explanation!

Edith belongs to a group called Grandmothers to Grandmothers. Her group will have a table at the Edmonton gathering on September 23 and 24th. She is hoping to sell mugs donated by herself and members from the guild. All proceeds will go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation which helps people in Africa suffering from the AIDS pandemic, and also orphan children. If you are interested please talk to Edith and if you supply her with your name and address you should be able to get a tax receipt for your donation.

Diane mentioned that she has a budget; and along with SAPVAC they are wondering if there is some Master level artist we would be interested in bringing to do a workshop for us and for the public. We can join forces with SAPVAC and share the cost. Please see your SAPVAC representative for more information.

Marg Belec stated our total sales in the spring sale were \$24,069. After the commissions, expenses and donations the amount for the guild is \$1,326.45; which is double the amount from last year.

23 members had pots in the sale.

Approximately 600 emails were sent out and almost 50% were opened up, which is quite a good percentage.

Thanks for all their hard work: Tamara, Theresa Curry, Betty Lou, Jennifer, Gina and Leslie. And a big thank you to Marg Belec!

Thanks to everyone working a shift and demonstrating during this sale: Willy, Cynthia, Heather and Diane.

Mary Lou has posted all the pics on Facebook. Thank you.

Thanks to Julie for getting the sandbags for the signs.

Thanks for everyone who cleaned up.

Thanks to Theresa Curry for figuring out all the sales sheets. Theresa said if you have any questions about your sales sheet she will be more than happy to go over it with you.

There will be three new positions next year. Three supervisors; one for each day. Instead of one person doing all three days-one person per full day as supervisor. This could also be considered for future training for this spring sale coordinator :).

The animals theme was a great success, and the workshop was lots of fun. Next year maybe birdhouses? Let Margaret know if you have some interest!

T.R. had a complaint against the executive regarding lack of debate over the handbook and bylaws. She felt that according to Roberts rules, this is something that is normally done. Jan Goodwin (Pres.), responded by reading page 70 of Roberts rules which basically states that the debate at the time of voting on the motions is not necessary if there has been debate and if further debate is only unnecessarily prolonging the vote. We had two months where anyone could have questioned the handbook and bylaws, along with a separate meeting, and a debate at the meeting prior to the meeting where the voting took place, which is more than enough.

Keith also did not agree with amount of debate and felt his issues were not addressed.

Jan finished by stating there are four positions opened on the board for next year.

Laura stated there was some success and some issues and well done!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 by Laura Rennenberg and Tamara Rolls