

Guild Meeting Feb 13, 2018

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

Additions to agenda were approved by Linda and seconded by Teresa Milton.

November January 10 2018 Minutes Approved by Nancy and seconded by Caroline. All in favor/approved.

BOARD MEMBERS:

President:

- Willie would like to thank the following members:
- Yolande who put away all the chemicals.
- Terri R who gifted a projector to SAPVAC and is available for all guilds to use.
- New members for wanting to learn to load kilns
- Nell who unloaded 2.5 kilns herself!
- The City of St. Albert for flushing the system and now the temperature is more consistent.

Just a reminder of the vents in the chemical room - signs are in there and please read and familiarize yourself with them.

Vice-President:

No report.

Secretary:

Angela is absent and Tanis is taking the minutes for this meeting. No report.

Treasurer:

Annalisa stated that we have over \$42,698 in total in our accounts. Rent has come out and clay has been paid so no big expenses coming out of here. Cheques for firing are here. New members were given our handbook.

Program Coordinator:

Absent. Reminder of our Spring Sale work bee on March 3rd in this room. Free pizza!

Communications:

Margaret thanked Tamara for doing communications while she was on holidays.

If you have a kiln for sale please see Margaret as she received an email asking if we have any for sale.

The teapot clips are in but there are only 18 and 7 are accounted for - so that leaves 11 packages. There are 2 per pack and are \$4 each. Please see Margaret.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SAPVAC:

No report. Willie stated that the retreat at the end of January was delightful and a lot of fun. Linda stated that if you have any ideas for next year you can let SAPVAC know any time through the year.

Supply and Capital Equipment:

No report. Willie reminded us again to read the signs in the chemical room about the vents.

Clay:

No report. Willie stated that Gina is on clay selling duties as well.

Library:

No report.

Glazes:

Edith stated that she has contacted members about mixing glazes and hopes that all have been mixed or will be soon. All is going well.

Raku:

Linda's husband will snow blow a path to the shed. Rachelle wants to update the signs in the shed and get measurements and needs access.

Housekeeping:

No report. Edith mentioned if you come into the studio and leave wet/dirty boot prints clean them up!

New Business:

Heather mentioned that the February 24th Art Gallery fund raiser "Light up the night" poster is on the bulletin board. There is a silent auction, music, wine, food and the tickets are \$50 each or \$45 for members and the fun starts at 6:30. Elene is showing the guests how to make their own tea lights and Jennifer is doing a larger clay piece for the VIPs. If you are interested in volunteering please see Heather.

Wille and the board proposed that the guild buy more thin shelves (4) at a price of about \$500 each for the gas kiln and 6 for the electric kilns. Terri Rutledge made the motion "that the guild purchase 4 more gas kiln shelves and 6 more thin kiln shelves for the electric kilns". Teresa Milton seconded the motion and all were in favour. The old thick kiln shelves will be used at the Raku site.

Rachelle asked for theme ideas for the Spring Sale. Ideas were Mugs and Jugs, candle holders puzzle mugs, Mad hatter tea party, fairy gardens. Previous theme were Garden, teapots, Ikebana, lights, animals, all creatures. It was suggested that Rachelle chose and the theme will be. "Mad Potters Tea Party" which can include all various sorts of pots with a whimsical nature. The sale dates are May 3 to May 5th and the Butterdome sale is the same weekend. Parking may be an issue at night and Saturday because of the various dance competitions going on at the Arden. Hopefully it does not deter too many people. If you want to help out the committee please email her. Remember the march 3rd work bee to make something for the theme and get inspired...and free pizza!

Rachelle also discussed the donation table and if we wanted to change who the funds go to. Last year the amount donated was less than other years and we want to create excitement around these donated pots so people will buy them. She will send out more information soon.

The committee is redoing posters, signs, etc. and Teresa Milton mentioned Vista print for good prices and a 50% off coupon.

Willie asked if there was continued interested in learning to load/unload bisque firing and if you are interested to email Margaret Belec.

Annalisa mentioned that the unloading of the kilns are \$5 per person and Willie mentioned that is usually limited to 2 people (though others may help with just unloading) who also then finish and put shelves away.

TIPS:

Gina stated she uses quilting batting to pack pots. It is inexpensive and she has had very little breakage. Teresa mentioned Marshall's Fabrics on Argyll (plus another location) for really good prices.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM and was approved by Rachelle and seconded by Rene.