

# St. Albert Potter's Guild Meeting Minutes

## March 14 2018

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM
2. **Additions to Agenda:** Rachelle, Gene and Terry were added to the agenda under "New Business" and Jenny from the St. Albert Art Gallery is coming in right away to talk about the Guided Exhibition held at the gallery. The agenda was approved with these additions by Louise and second by Mary. All in favour.
3. **Approved Minutes:** The February guild minutes were approved as written by Cynthia and seconded by Morley. All in favour.

#### 4. Board Members:

- a. **President:** Willie stated that if you want to use the projector and show slides/video just let the board know before the meeting.

Jenny, Curator and Director of the the St. Albert Art Gallery did a brief presentation on the Guided Exhibition which is the exhibition for all guild members and is now held every 2 years. She left several handouts with all information for the exhibition and if anyone had questions to give the Gallery a call. If you are interested in having some of your work in the exhibition please fill out the "expression of interest form" by September 12, 2018 and return to the Art Gallery. Please send images of your work with the form as well. The information and form is also on the website.

The theme is "Around the Block" which is very broad and includes community, your block, travels, people, places, objects, familiar or different, etc.

The exhibition is juried but don't let that scare you as everyone really is approved. You pieces must be dropped off on November 7th or 8th as the show opens November 15th. The opening reception is on the afternoon of November 24th and should be in their new space. It is up to you if you want to offer your pieces for sale or not.

- b. **Vice President:** No report.
- c. **Secretary:** (Tanis is filling in for for Angela). There are 2 new magazines and brochures on the "series 2018 Summer Art School" in Red Deer. Information on the series will be put in the guild studio.

- d. **Treasurer:** Annalisa stated that we have \$6035.89 in chequing, \$36,157.04 in savings, and \$369.05 in common shares for a total of \$42,562.21. Approximately \$5000 will be coming out of this amount for the kiln shelves that were ordered.
- e. **Program Coordinator:** Maureen is absent tonight but sent a report to Willie. Heather is doing a Decal Transfer workshop on May 27th from 10-2 in the classroom or in the guild studio and is \$25. There is a sign up sheet going around and please write a cheque to secure your spot. This workshop is based on the decal transfer workshop that was held by the Art Gallery and people have expressed in interest in this process. You would need to bring to the workshop trimmed greenware pots.
- f. **Communications:** No report.

## 5. Tips:

Gene showed a spray gun from the guild was not cleaned properly and was clogged. He took apart the spray gun and cleaned all the parts and said was very time consuming. His tip - clean it property after use with lots of water to ensure all the glaze is cleared out of the nozzle and other parts.

Caroline learned that the blue or white gloves do not block chemical dust but that the black gloves do. These gloves can be bought at various places such as Greg's Distributors, Home Depot, NAPA stores, Princess Auto, etc. Morley will buy 2 boxes (2 sizes) for the chemical room. He said he uses them at work and rinses them off and can get probably 50 more uses out of the gloves. Willie stated that these should be used when mixing chemicals only and not used for throwing - you should use your own gloves for that. As well to rinse off and keep in your cubby for the next time.

## 6. Committee Reports:

- a. **SAPVAC:** Kathy thanked Terry for donating her projector which is for all guild use. They will be setting up a sign out procedure for it as well as directions on use. There is a new Sales Coordinator for the Country Craft Fair - Myra Emms. She is the coordinator for the outside vendors only - Hazel is still the coordinator for the guilds. March 15th is the Mayors celebration of the Arts and on the March 16th the artists will display their works at the Enjoy Centre. See the website for more details.

**b. Supply and Capital Equipment:** Absent. No report.

**c. Clay:** No report.

**d. Library:** No report. Willie suggested that if anyone has a magazine or book that they will like to see the guild purchase to talk to Jan.

**e. Glazes:** Edith said she sent out 3 emails for glazes that very seldom need to be mixed and there were a couple people who were on all glazes. So they should not be mixing all 3 especially when there are 4-5 people on each glaze. Also it is the people on the email to figure out between them who is going to glaze and when. So communicate your willingness to mix the glaze and times that work for you to all on the email. It is not up to Edith to coordinate this.

**f. Raku:** Linda said the snow has been cleared to the shed at the Raku site. So Rachelle can go and look at the signs. Morley will look at refilling the propane tanks - Margaret Belec stated that the Raku Procedures on the website state who we usually buy propane from.

**g. Housekeeping:** Absent. No report.

## **7. New Business:**

Rachelle: The sign up board for the Spring Sale is in the guild room. The committee is meeting after the guild meeting and whoever would like to join would be much appreciated. Not a lot of things to do this year so your job would be relatively small. The Spring Sale is May 3-5 and the theme is Mad Potter's Tea Party. On the committee currently is Annalisa, Jennifer, Betty Lou, Mary, and Rachelle. On the website is the dates and times. Also on the website she added a link to the classes at the Art Gallery.

Gene: There was a wine goblet on his shelf that is not his. So after 2 months he has glazed it. He said there is a mark on the inside that someone might recognize. And yes it belongs to Maxine! Mystery solved!

Terry: She brought a video of a workshop at the Raku site from some years ago. It was playing before the meeting and she will play it after the meeting. Also the memorial for Elke Blodgett is on March 24th at 1:00PM.

**8. Old Business:** No old business.

**9.** Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM, moved by Yolanda and seconded by Jill. All in favour.