

GVR Clay Studio of Green Valley MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting October 21, 2016 Fiesta Room

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Julie Jacques, President.

Board Members present:

Julie Jacques, President

Karen Hays, Treasurer

Tim Stewart, Asst. Treasurer

Sue Peetoom, Secretary

Ron Cox, Director

Gary Ballew, Director

Dan Swartz, Director

Jeanne Stewart, Past President

Members Absent:

Jim Fitzgerald, Vice President

Jack Ernest, Parliamentarian

Kent Amerman, Director

The agenda was accepted.

The minutes of the September 16, 2016 Board of Directors meeting were approved.

Julie Jacques thanked Jack Ernest, Valerie Diamond, and Mike Kearns for their many years of service to the Clay Studio as Kiln Chairperson, Purchasing Agent, and Membership Chairperson respectively. Julie also thanked Jeanne Stewart for her time as Social Chairperson.

Board Member Reports

Vice President Jim FitzGerald: No report.

Secretary Sue Peetoom: Nothing to Report.

Treasurer Karen Hays: Reviewed the financial statements. As of September 30, 2016, there is \$15,000 in Reserve, as mandated; Checking Account \$19,161.43; Investment Account \$45,014.32; Operating Capital \$40,128.89; Net Income is \$9,339.86; Total Equity \$64,475.75. 90 members to date have paid dues for 2017.

Committee Reports

Education: No report.

Facilities: No report.

Finance: Tim Stewart indicated no meetings had been held, but November's Finance Committee meeting was scheduled. Karen Hays indicated the Finance Committee would be meeting in November to recommend the 2017 budget. Budgets for 2016 were sent to each Committee Chairperson and she requested these individuals provide her with suggested changes, if any, prior to the November meeting so that she could provide the Finance Committee with those figures. Gary Ballew questioned if it was necessary to go line item by line item or a general change [increase or decrease] could be requested. Karen indicated either would be acceptable. The 2016 could be the general baseline, and if no change were deemed necessary, the 2016 budget amount could be carried forward to 2017.

Membership: No report.

Monitors: No report.

Supplies: Sue Peetoom reported that she met with the Glaze Committee. A weekly order from Marjon's would be placed on Tuesdays. Glaze Committee now has individuals in place for the high-fire and low-fire glazes to make sure inventory is up-to-date and needed glazes are placed on the Request List for ordering each week. Clay, Tools, and Inventory also have dedicated individuals to keep those items up-to-date. Items needed will be added to the Request List.

Social: Jeanne Stewart indicated that Brenda Melk and Ann Erickson are the new co-chairs of the Social Committee, as she has stepped down from that position.

IT: Jon Otto indicated that a new printer was installed, and it is much more efficient and user friendly.

Kilns: Ron Foster reported that some fuses had been changed in kilns. He will let Sue Peetoom know the serial numbers/info on the three kilns removed, and the same information on the new kilns in order for the Inventory to be up dated.

Bylaws & Nominations: Cyndee Remington, Bud Montgomery, and Russ Nichols remain in the running for the three Board positions.

Member Comments

None

Unfinished Business

Sue Peetoom has received the Debit Card and is using it for GVR Clay Studio purchases.

Cyndee Remington indicated that requiring Sunday Monitors to open the POS system will cause problems in having the studio open on Sunday, as many of the Sunday monitors volunteer that day in order to not have to deal with the monies. Sue Peetoom stated that members are used to the fact they cannot purchase items or pay for firing on Sunday, and she recommended the status quo be maintained, leaving Sundays as a day without with the POS system being opened. General discussion. Concensus of the Board is to leave Sundays “as is.”

New Business

Julie Jacques indicated GVR notified her the Board must take formal action if the Clay Studio wishes to be open on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day, and so notify them. Discussion held. Motion by Sue Peetoom that the the Clay Studio be open on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day if a monitor is present. Seconded by Ron Cox. Passed unanimously. Julie will notify GVR.

Julie Jacques requested discussion and action regarding the waiver of 2017 dues for Jack Ernest, Mike Kearns, and Jon Otto. Brief discussion held. Gary Ballew moved, with Ron Cox seconding, that waiver of dues for these individuals be extended through the 2017 year. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion was held on whether the GVR Clay Studio should develop a Facebook Page so that members could post pictures of their creations. Decision was made to look further into setting up such a page. Jon Otto suggested that consideration be given to have whoever volunteers to head this project be made a member of the IT Committee. Julie thanked him for this suggestion.

Tim Stewart questioned if anyone had seen the new GVR ten-year plan? Cyndee Remington indicated there was a full display at the West Center. Brief Discussion. Jon Otto indicated the display was just what was suggested and only the first stages. Details on the work to be done, how it is to be done, the monetary costs, etc. will be future considerations by GVR.

Julie Jacques welcomed Dan Swartz to the Board, and thanked him for stepping up to fill the vacated position.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Important Dates:

November 18, 2016	Board of Directors	9:00 a.m.	Fiesta Room
November 18, 2016	Membership Meeting	10:00 a.m.	Fiesta Room
December 16, 2016	Board of Directors	9:00 a.m.	Fiesta Room