

GVR Clay Studio of Green Valley MINUTES

Board of Directors and Membership Meeting April 21, 2017 Fiesta Room

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Julie Jacques, President.

Board Members present:

Julie Jacques, President

Gary Ballew, Vice President

Karen Hays, Treasurer

Cyndee Remington, Asst. Treasurer

Sue Peetoom, Secretary

Russ Nichols, Director

Ron Cox, Director

Dan Swartz, Director

Bud Montgomery, Director

Jack Ernest, Parliamentarian

Members Absent:

Jeannie Stewart, Past President

The agenda for the April Board of Directors Meeting was accepted.

The minutes of the March 17, 2017 Board of Directors/Membership meeting were approved as written.

Board Member Reports

President Julie Jacques: Thanked Vince, Jane, and Jay for the Volunteers' Luncheon food; it was excellent. Thanked Ann and Brenda for organizing it, and to all the volunteers who helped make it such a wonderful occasion. The annual cleanup was held April 19 with a great turnout. Julie thanked everyone who showed up to help clean; it was completed by about 11:00 a.m.

Vice President Gary Ballew: Nothing to report.

Secretary Sue Peetoom: Nothing to report.

Treasurer Karen Hays: Reviewed the financial statements. As of end of March 2017, there is \$15,000 in Reserve, as mandated; Checking Account \$20,725.50; Investment Account \$55,019.03; Operating Capital \$47,959.80; Net Income is \$13,084.73; Total Equity \$76,044.53. Currently have 343 members.

Committee Reports

Education: Cyndee Remington reported that Lois Plante and Tim Taff have resigned as instructors and will no longer teach classes. Virginia Friend, Marilynn Serra, Cyndee Remington and Sue Peetoom will be teaching a basic Glaze class, in August, November and February. Marilynn Serra and Sue Peetoom will be teaching a Handbuilding class in September, November and January. Russ Nichols, Jane Ercolani and Cyndee Remington are revising the Intro Handbook. Kathleen Richter is revising the Intro form for joining the clay studio. The last field trip for this Spring is in April, and it was approved that spouses of members could join. Robin Hill has resigned from the Education Committee.

Maintenance & Security. Jay Groothousen reported that the drains were again cleaned out during the week of April 17, and the water fountain in the Studio was replaced by GVR.

Finance: No report.

Membership: No report.

Monitors: No report.

Supplies: Sue Peetoom reported that ordering has slowed down and will continue to be slow during the summer. Clay and all Marjon's supplies will be picked up instead of having them delivered, as the quantities will be low enough to preclude paying the delivery fee.

Social: No report.

IT: Jack Ernest reported that there is discussion regarding changing the airflow in the Studio from negative to positive to help with the dust/etc. accumulation.

Kilns: Katy Casey reported that a decision has been made to replace the small kiln [#9] this summer while usage is low. The money had already been included in the 2017 budget.

Bylaws & Policies: No report.

Member Comments

Julie Jacques welcomed those members in attendance and asked if anyone had any comments. There were no comments from the membership.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Russ Nichols moved, seconded by Bud Montgomery to approve Sue Peetoom as an instructor. Motion passed unanimously.

Cyndee Remington moved, seconded by Ron Cox to approve Marilynn Serra as an instructor. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion held regarding summer board meetings. Gary Ballew moved, seconded by Ron Cox to

suspend the rule requiring monthly board meetings until September 29, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion held regarding the One Fee idea, incorporating glaze and firing costs into the cost of clay when purchased. Decision was to leave the fee structure “as is” without change. The Finance Committee will be notified.

Discussion held regarding approval of fall and winter classes. Tabled until Education Committee approves the classes and requests Board approval.

Jay Groothousen reported that the 2015 Newsletters seem to have disappeared from the website. Jack Earnest stated he would look into it.

Gary Ballew indicated that he needed any changes to the 2018 schedules for the committees by mid-May to turn in to GVR.

Meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.