

SRAL Board Meeting

February 7, 2023, 1:00 PM SRAL Studio

Attendees: Jeani Gustafson and Arlene Szypulsky, Co-Presidents; Debbie Nealy, 2nd V-Pres; Susan Ettl, Treasurer; Karen Keim, Secretary; Nan Lux, Art Show Chair; Liz Wolf, Membership Chair

OLD BUSINESS

- SRAL Shows: Nan discussed the March show fee, judge, and number of prizes (for realistic and abstract. Entries are not as numerous as for the fall show when we had 80.
- 2. Membership: Liz said that 68 members from last year have not renewed. She brought up the form issue again because of complaints when former members are given the new member form to fill out for their late dues. The board decided that to avoid confusion, we will use the renewal form for past members even when their renewal is late. She also proposed informing the membership that we have a GVR deadline to submit a membership list and reminding members that they must renew to enter shows.
- 3. **Review of SRAL Board Meeting Minutes:** Karen agreed to make some changes before the minutes were approved. Susan requested that the last two sentences under "Old Business, 3. SRAL Shows" be more specific. Under "4. Membership," Liz requested that the number of members who had not yet renewed be changed from 62 to 82. Under "New Business, 5. E-blasts," Jeani asked that the first sentence begin with Jeani and not Liz. The minutes were approved.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Susan explained that she added money for postcards. On the 2023 projected budget, Susan proposed a separate line for expenses for the website, which is being worked on. We need a budget for the juried show. Susan will order ribbons. Have we decided what the expenses will be (e.g., juried or not)? A special meeting to address this might be in order. Susan said that being judged is a chance for artists to grow by being challenged. And when a show is juried, there are also fewer art works to hang. However, our membership seems to prefer the non-judged show according to the results of the recent survey.
- 5. Susan is forming a website committee, and we have a budget that should allow us to make the website easier to use and link it to GVR. Leslie Barry will do photos. They are looking now at different websites. Susan corrected an earlier statement to say that in the past the E-blast was sent out two times a month.



6. **Presidents' Report:** There is no volunteer for First Vice-President so far. Susan commented on the necessity of talking to individuals to recruit a volunteer. Merely advertising the opening will probably not yield results.

For the March show, a photographer from the Photography Club will take pictures of those who win prizes.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Briggs Abstract Show: Hugh and Arlene will do the show for the next two years
- 2. **Art-icize**: Jeani is planning an Art-icize program of paint-throwing on Feb. 18 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Ellen Meentz is going to build boxes to throw paint.
- 3. **Volunteer Appreciation Event**: Jeani would like to plan this with BYOB and snacks tentatively on Saturday, March 18. We will work on this further at the March meeting.

Adjourned at 3:05 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 14 at 1:00 pm in the SRAL Studio

Special Meeting: scheduled on Tues., Feb 21 at 1:00 PM to discuss shows