



SRAL Board Meeting

September 12, 2023, 1:00 PM SRAL Studio

Attendees: Jeani Gustafson and Arlene Szypulski, Co-Presidents; Deb Nealy, 2nd V-President; Susan Ettl, Treasurer; Karen Keim, Secretary; Liz Wolfe (membership) and Leslie Barry (website).

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Minutes from August 8, 2023:** Arlene and Susan asked for some corrections then moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. All approved.
2. **Mix and Mingle Meeting:** scheduled for October 5, 3-5 PM
3. **General Meetings:** Susan told Deb to keep up the good work.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Susan explained that she was able to save money on webhosting and on the Malware software because of a discount. For Art 101, she budgeted \$500.00 (planning on 9 classes of ten students @ \$10.00 each, which should cover future supplies such as pastels, paper, printing ink, and so on.
5. **Members Show, Nov.-Dec. 2023:** Jeani said that she and Arlene have recruited six volunteers for this show. The show was to be held at in the renovated Canoa Hills, lobby, but Arlene discovered that the extra wall we normally use in the main lobby has been removed and there are no plans to replace it. She will continue to pursue remediation to allow for the exhibit space we are accustomed to. She suggested possibly postponing the opening or delaying the scheduled show so that GVR can address our needs. Leslie volunteered portable panels that she owns to substitute for the removed wall. Jeani read a list of possible categories for prizes. The plan is for participating artists to review the show and vote by given categories before the December reception, when prizes (ribbons) will be announced and distributed.

[The Board voted by email to move the show to Las Companas Recreation Center, a smaller venue, rather than cancel or delay it while construction at Desert Hills is completed. Only one entry per person will be allowed.]

6. **Studio and Library Issues:** Deb and Jeani are concerned about keeping the studio and restroom clean, since GVR is not hiring cleaning employees. Jeani is dealing with this and is asking if the firm they might use is bonded.

Deb wondered about using larger shelves for the library (such as those in Room A) so that the books on pastels, currently stacked on bottom shelves, might be more visible.



7. **Finding New Volunteers:** Karen Marvel has volunteered for the Eblast announcements. We still need a volunteer to replace Kathy for Monitor Scheduling. We decided that a Nominating Committee should be appointed to look for a first vice-president (possibly a shared position) and a secretary, as well as a publicity person. Susan reminded us that a 1st VP should have been a member of SRAL for at least one year. Several names were suggested as people to ask, and plans were made to approach people at the next general meeting.
8. **The SRAL Website:** Susan is busy responding to the web designers and reported good teamwork. She mentioned the need for alias email addresses, such as for mini workshops, Art 101 (with an Eblast link), the monitor calendar, and Board members. The new membership form will be on the website beginning Nov. 1. Susan clarified the membership procedure for the website to Liz.
9. **Wix Payment Due:** The Wix payment is made by the month, so we would only pay \$40 due Sept. 29, before the new website is in use.
10. **Art Introduction Class:** Arlene has scheduled Susan to teach about color on Nov. 18 and would like to have a Printmakers Guild offering at the beginning of the year. She also wants to schedule classes for watercolor and oil. Another idea she mentioned is teaching about the Procreate Apple Program.
11. **“Finish-Up Friday”:** Jeani is talking with Suzy Webber and Linda Sparks who have some framing experience and would like to do a trial run on Sept. 15. With Susan’s motion and Deb’s second, the program was approved.
12. **By-Laws Change:** Jeani would like this to be voted on by SRAL membership in Nov. Karen volunteered to help Susan convert the PDF copy to Word, so she can work with it. Kathy Edwards should have a signed copy.

FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING:

1. **January GVR Club Showcase:** We need a chairperson.
2. **March Open House at the Studio:** We need a chairperson.

Meeting adjourned: 3:15 PM

Next Meeting: October 10 at 1:00 pm in the SRAL Studio