



SRAL Board Minutes November 12, 2024

Attendees: Arlene Szypulski, Co-President; Jeani Gustafson, Co-President; Deanna Brooks, Secretary; Liz Wolf, Membership; Deb Nealy, 2nd Vice President; Susan Ettl, Treasurer. Guests: John McGraw, Sue Werner, Berkana Gervais.

1. Berkana Gervais was introduced as a possible new Treasurer. Pam Guard has agreed to be a Co-Vice President with Brenda Stewart.
2. John McGraw demonstrated his overhead projector. Members questioned whether it was difficult to learn and manage. Decision to try it until the end of March. SIGs can be trained. A sign-up sheet to see who has used it and comments will be available. There should be an instruction sheet.
3. Minutes from the September meeting were accepted.
4. Library: Books can now be scanned for check-out. Monitors will be trained. Old books, not checked out in 3 years, will be for sale at the February General Meeting. Budget for new books: \$1000 per year for 2024 and 2025. \$100 in books will be spent for each of the ten SIGs.
5. Discussion about donations and whether to have a sale of donated items/art supplies – maybe at a February Mix and Mingle. All proceeds would be to SRAL. It was voted that the Board decides that it is ok to sell donated items.
6. Mix and Mingle for December 5th...a winter theme.
7. Question about Christmas party: Decision to extend the break during the December General Meeting instead.
8. New Anza Room 100" TV: It has a clear picture, better sound, connects to a camera. Will be tested at the November demo. A volunteer from the Computer Club is available to train if needed for both the Anza room and studio TV. How to do zoom sessions, etc.
9. December General Mtg artist will be Kate McCavitt. Charles Thomas will be January. Deb and Jeani went to the Tucson studio tour and met several artists who might do future demos.
10. Membership: 73 renewals to date, 16 are new members. Anticipate 250 members. Renewals will be accepted till the end of February. New members continue to arrive.
11. The new Art 101 schedule is ready and will be on the website, as the dates are approached. A drawing class with Jeani will use an online program on our studio TV on December 14th.

12. Eblasts: the name will be changed to "Newsletter" with eblasts reserved for special announcements. Bob Hamilton has agreed to edit the information and Suzy Webber will put the reviewed articles in Constant Contact. Deanna agreed to act as "checker" before the newsletter goes out on the 25th.
13. Treasurer's Report: November 2024 treasurer's expenses include money for the studio TV and website costs. Extra wires were ordered for exhibits. A draft of the 2025 budget was presented. Darilyn Ronn, the Art 101 chairperson asked that each class be able to spend \$100. The 2025 budget will reflect this change. Susan Ettl, the co-website manager informed the board that there will be about \$40 increase in the website budget for 2025. The library budget for 2025 will be \$1000. A budget for additional studio renovations needs to be created.
14. Studio renovations: The Kitchen has a donation of Jan Harnish's old cabinets and they are currently being installed.
15. Volunteers: Berkana is considering Treasurer's position. We need a Showcase and Open House volunteer? Lorrie Chambers.
16. Voting for the new Board will take place at the November General Meeting. Arlene and Jeani would continue as Co-Presidents; Deanna will continue as secretary. Pam Guard and Brenda Stewart as co-vice-presidents. Deb Nealy will continue as 2nd vice president. Treasurer - Berkana?

Next Board Mtg: December 10th. Respectfully submitted, Deanna Brooks