



## SRAL Board Minutes December 10, 2024

Attendees: Arlene Szypulski, Co-President; Jeani Gustafson, Co-President; Deanna Brooks, Secretary; Liz Wolf, Membership; Deb Nealy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Susan Ettl, treasurer, absent. Guests: Berkana Gervais, New Treasurer; Brenda Stewart, new co-VP; and Darilyn Ronn.

1. Treasurer report: The treasurer's report was accepted. \$3500 has been allocated for studio expenses in the 2025 budget for equipment, furniture, etc. Before this amount can be added to the budget, a list of items to be purchased and their costs need to be submitted to Susan in order to document them in the budget. Receipts for things already purchased go in the treasurer's folder. It would be prudent for the budget to be approved by December 31st but not required by GVR. Also discussed that Board approval is needed for items over \$100. The previous limit was \$50 and to Susan's knowledge it has not been voted on. Check past minutes.
2. Darilyn - Art 101: all leaders are in place and the schedule is ready. A 101 Teacher Guide was created. A special eblast goes out on the 10<sup>th</sup> for workshop registration. Monitors are needed for Saturday 101s. A new workshop by Layne Cook on Finding Inspiration for new paintings – possible date Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>. Deb Nealy suggested doing a workshop on the History of Art using a book as reference. Time possible Saturday 1-3:00 Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>? Deb when confirmed tell the current mini workshop chairperson, Susan Ettl.
3. Brenda Stewart reported on the successful Members Show and the great refreshments. Brenda will be taking charge of Volunteers as VP.
4. Volunteers: Chris Hager will do the Club Showcase Jan 31<sup>st</sup> at Las Campanas. Karen McDermott and Susan Canniff will head up the Open Studio on Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.
5. Minutes from the November meeting were accepted.
6. Membership: Currently 255 members. 97 renewals to date, 21 are new members. New members continue to arrive. An eblast will go out mid-January to remind those who have not yet renewed. Renewals will be accepted till the end of February. Noted that a membership roster is in the studio if someone needs to contact a member.
7. Website: Some SRAL members are having difficulty finding events and dates on the website. Is there any way to remedy this situation. Susan Ettl will be contacted to see what our options are. Could a volunteer interested in web maintenance work on an event calendar? –Kathy Arnold was suggested. The Desert Hills Permanent Show date was not listed. Did Jan Harnish submit dates?
8. TV use: A training is scheduled for Saturday Jan 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 on using the TV for You-Tubes, Zoom, DVD's, etc. Plan to arrange training for the overhead projector the same day by John McGraw at 2:00.

9. Newsletter: the official new name. It is now about 10 pages shorter. Noted that info on demo artist could be edited. The newsletter would go out on the 25<sup>th</sup> (except Christmas). The Eblast would be for short reminders or 101 class registration on the 10th of the month. A copy of the current newsletter will be in the studio.
10. Mix and Mingle for January 2<sup>nd</sup>: Theme: New Year, New Work.
11. General Mtg artist in December is Kate McCavitt. She is providing a gold leaf kit as a second raffle item. Charles Thomas will do a Gouache demo in January. Greg Wallace and Denyse Fennelon will do a dual painting in February. Lisa Morrow will do an oil rubout in March.
12. Spouses in the studio? Would not cover classes or use of equipment like the mat cutter. A person should have a GVR card or guest pass. No clear rule – we need to see what the bylaws say RE: guests at demos, social events, Mix and Mingle, etc.
13. Trip to the Tucson Art Museum was proposed. Deb and Jeani would see if a docent would be available and how many members would be feasible. Deb and Jeani will report back.

Next Board Mtg: January 7th.      Respectfully submitted, Deanna Brooks