



SRAL Board Minutes July 8, 2025

Attendees by Zoom: Jeani Gustafson, Co-President; Deb Nealy, 2nd Vice President; Brenda Stewart, Co-1st Vice President; Berkana Gervais, Treasurer; Deanna Brooks, Secretary; Absent: Arlene Szypulski, Co-President; Pamela Guard, Co- 1st Vice President.

1. The sale of Ann Mason's art supplies opened this week and has earned \$300 thus far. The sale at the General Meeting earned \$500. Monies will go toward purchasing new stools for the studio.
2. Treasurers Report was reviewed. Income and expenses have remained stable over the past few months. We need a budget for the annual members' show. The report only shows 2024. Berkana will get the information.
3. Meeting minutes from June board meeting were approved.
4. Membership: an updated list is needed for registration for the Fall show. The list also has volunteer preferences. Susan McKelvey is looking for a co-chair for the Fall show, preferably a new volunteer.
5. Mix and Mingle for September: No set theme. Will check with Judy Lawrence and announce a plan in the August Newsletter.
6. General Meetings: A replacement is needed for Deb Nealy. Laurie Chambers may be available but she will be suggested for the new 2026 Board. A suggestion was made for a general meeting committee.
7. Volunteers Needed: A co-chair for the Fall members show to work with Susan McKelvey. Ellen Meets will need a replacement by January. Brenda has been trying to reach potential volunteers by phone. Suggested to schedule a Fall date for new monitor training and announce it in the August newsletter? The monitor schedule needs to

be kept up to date for summer open hours.

8. Pam Guard's proposal for Members' Shows: Fewer prizes, remove categories of abstract and representational, have the Fall show judged. Further discussion is needed. We also discussed the need for a workshop or more detailed online information on professional matting and framing. This could be part of or after a general meeting in the Fall.

9 E-Blasts and Newsletter. Jeanne has created a template for the newsletter and will help Suzy Webber in July and August. A template for each SIG would also be helpful.

10. GVR permitting – Pamela reported that Jody has received our request for exhibit space for 2026

11. TV and Mat Cutter Training: Jeanne and Kris Martens created a video instruction on using the TV. The Mat cutter is back and training and 1:1 instruction will be available in the Fall.

12. History Binders: Laurie Chambers has completed purging of SRAL history binders. She was able to reduce it to a fraction of the binders we were storing.

13. Capital Improvements: No new requests planned. GVR has us listed for expansion in 2028. We have planned an accordion door to replace the old wall. Will discuss with next budget. Our wish for a fire escape doesn't work because it would not be structurally sound on the ground floor. We can still evaluate larger back windows.

14. Studio Art: We need a plan for the studio walls from September to December then SIG groups will display. The September theme will be "Skies". Diane Conant would organize?

Next Board Mtg will be August 12, 2025 at 1:00 on ZOOM. Reminder that the new secretary needs a morning meeting maybe starting in December (will a Tuesday morning be too busy in the studio?)

Respectfully submitted, Deanna Brooks