

## SRAL Board Minutes August 12, 2025

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

**Treasurers Report** – Berkana. Report was approved. Donations are currently around \$1500-\$1700, enough to start buying stools for the studio. Left over art supply donations could be donated to the Card Club or a local school.

**Minutes** – Deanna. Minutes of the June meeting were approved with one correction: The video under #11 is for the mat cutter training.

**Membership** – Jeani . Liz Wolfe and Carol Schaeffer are making progress and Carol will begin as new chair soon with Liz as backup.

**Mix and Mingle** – Next is September 4th. Judy Lawrence is Chair. The theme would be "What art did you do over the summer?"

**Santa Rita Art League Studio Gallery** – Diane Connant and Judy Restad will coordinate the 2 studio display walls. The theme for September/October is "Skies". Paintings are due September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Shows** – **Brenda** - Susan McKelvy and Nan Lux will co-chair the December Members Show with the help of Rhonda Fisher– entry forms will be available early October. Theme is Chaos and Harmony. A list of 2025-2026 shows is needed.

**E-blast and Newsletter - Jeani** continues to help do the "Information gathering" but we need a new volunteer for this role.

**General Meeting** – September demo artist: Ursula Schneider using inks; October: October: Sonsoles Shack- pan pastel; November: Inna Rohr- night scenes A replacement is needed for Deb for 2026.

**Volunteers – Brenda** has been calling members but had few responses. Monitors are not signing up and should be required to do one 3 hour shift a month. Jeani will focus on volunteers in the September newsletter. Discussion of whether to have a general meeting focused on volunteers with food and recognition of current volunteers, possibly November or December. Berkana and Brenda will work on the wording for volunteer requests.

**Summer activities in the studio** – With many members away and fewer monitors signing up we are considering having the studio open only 9-12 during the summer.

## Proposal for Members' Shows 2026-2027 by Pam Guard

The proposal was voted by email following the Board Meeting and accepted except a vote to retain the \$20 entry fee was approved.

Be it Proposed that: There will be two members' shows Entry is \$30 - (changed)

Both Shows will be judged by a non-member to be determined by committee in charge of show. There will be no categories (for instance no longer will categories by specified by representational and non-representational)

However, one show will have a theme determined by membership vote

Prizes for each show shall be awarded by judge as follows

1st Place - \$300

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$200

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$100

Two honorable mentions - \$50 each

One Artists' Choice Award - \$100 To be awarded by membership vote

The criteria for acceptable art forms remains unchanged except that the maximum size is 24" x 30". All art submitted shall use hanging criteria outlined in SRAL guidelines which have been updated to reflect acceptable criteria for wiring instructions which follow the GVR guidelines as well

**Topics postponed till September:** Mini Workshops, renaming the studio rooms, TV use training.

**Next Board Mtg** will be September 9, 2025 at 1:00 on ZOOM.

Respectfully submitted, Deanna Brooks