

Minutes

September 29, 2009

Discussion: Meetings. We are accomplishing so much in such a short time! In Just 4 weeks we have bylaws worked out, members assigned for are officers (temporarily until elections in October) , committee work started, we have our first exhibit set up. And have discussed another one in February 2010!

It was decided by members present that we'd stretch meetings out to once a month. Really this is because we have been so productive and we also want time to implement the tasks, goals, teachings, ideas, & public relations prior to the next meeting.

So, after next Thursday, meetings will be the LAST Thursday each month. If there is a holiday (example would be Thanksgiving) the meeting will be the prior Thursday. In addition, it is emphasized that meetings start on time. 5:30 pm. **We will still have next weeks meeting. October 8, 2009. Then the next one will be October 29th.**

Conclusion: We have decided on once a month meetings. Great job with all the work done so far! Everyone is jumping in everywhere!

Discussion: November 6 exhibit planning meeting is going to be Friday October 2, 2009 1 pm at Totally Crazy Ceramic Studio. We have a committee working on this exhibit. We'll hear from them on Thursday October 8th at the meeting.

Discussion: Membership forms are being made up by Jacques. He provided a sample and got some feed back. Thanks Jacques for entertaining us with that!

It was also decided by members present the amount of dues for each type of membership. The Members dues are \$35.00 and the Patrons membership dues are \$25.00 (refer to bylaws on definition for the memberships).

****If you have already provided the club with \$5.00 for the web domain deduct that from your dues amount.

Discussion: We are designing a logo for our club. So at the October 8th meeting please submit your ideas for a logo! We will be voting on that at that meeting. Thanks all input is great!

Discussion: Fliers are going to be changed from listing dates to just contact info so we don't have to keep changing our fliers! If you'd like to help distribute fliers please visit the web site. www.ftloa.org there you can print them off. That helps keep the costs down for the club.

Discussion: It was decided by members present that our fiscal year starts October 2009. It doesn't reflect the calendar year but its before the holidays. This is also the month dues are due. So feel free to mail them in to Totally Crazyed, c/o for the love of art club, 208 Triangle Shopping Mall, Longview, Wa, 98632. Or bring dues with you to the meeting.

Discussion: Jacques Drapeau is going to create a news letter for us it will be under construction for a short time. But should cover all events related in our Club and also in the community. It will have the presiden'ts statement, and possibly a section for art tips or a statement from the artist of the month.

Discussion: Janette Mahoney brought in a list of internet sites to aid in looking at online sales if that is something you are interested in there are copies circulating please ask at the next meeting.

Discussion: Randy Lancaster was present he went over more details on the web site talked about submitting photos and an artists bio to him sometime in the next week. He said any info you would see it on the site in about 3 days. He said he'd have time to change the work or do any updates once a month. So members can submit at their convenience but Randy will update as his schedule allows. Thanks for your understanding here Randy is going an awesome job! We all thank you Randy! Another feature Randy added is an e mail account for each member. But its not another e mail account that we have to manage it is simply an email that says our club name but is attached to your personal e mail account. So he will use which ever e mail account you submit your work from. Also if you are pricing you work you need to name the photo and put the price in next to it. Example would be to change the photo name from jpeg file to the name, medium, and price. Or you can state work on commission and your work pictured on the web site is an example. Picasa allows you to do a watermark if you choose but Randy said he takes all images down to 72dpi (dots per inch) so the resolution is not that great if someone wanted to "steal" your images. He did say that it will happen but its not like they're going to get anything pretty.

Also with the website address and you e mail you can put that on business cards if you choose and your e mail will reflect the club. example is www.ftloa.org/"your name".

Everything on the web site will be archived. Minutes, forms handed out, exhibits.

If you need more info bring your questions, comments. Thnank you have a great week see you all Thursday October 8, 2009 at 5:30pm!

Also we need to have volunteers to head up a committee that will be in charge of getting sponsors like dick blick, grambacher, Longview fibre.

And companies of the like. Grambacher for example will provide awards and plaques to be awarded at shows. Longview fiber may make a donation.