



FAIRFIELD-SUISUN CITY VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES — JANUARY 2024

Call to Order

FSVAA Regular Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at the Solano Town Center Gallery. Meeting was called to order at 9:08 am by Dennis M. Ariza, President.

In Attendance: Dennis Ariza, Janet Barnes, Lucy Foldhazi, Laura Klein, Robert Emmering, JoRené Danel, Ken Chew, Cherol Ockrassa

Absent: Robin Rossi, Tereasa Tso, Dennis Sheil

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Dennis Ariza introduced a motion for approval of the FSVAA Board Meeting Minutes dated December 13, 2023. Motion seconded by Cherol Ockrassa. Motion carried.

II. Finance Report (*Laura Klein*)

A. Laura Klein submitted the December 2023 Profit & Loss. The P&L showed a net income of \$1,874.24.

B. Laura Klein also submitted the January through December 2023 Profit & Loss. This P&L showed a net income of \$7,440.04. The total includes grants received from the Solano Art Council – listed under donations, \$5,582.89. Assist-A-Grad shows a total expense of \$300, but total donated was \$900. The Board discussed a few other categories on the P&L in depth.

III. Membership Report (*Robert Emmering*)

A. Robert Emmering reported that we have 92 members, which includes 5 students, 4 family members, 4 support members (*not included in regular member count*), and 1 volunteer; there are 92 active members on the roster.

B. Robert reported that 43 members have paid their membership renewals to date. He had sent out an email reminder several times to those that have not paid their membership dues.

C. Dennis Ariza announced that Lucy Foldhazi will be sending out birthday cards to all members. We will be adding a column for birthdates (*no year*) to the new membership application. Lucy will be purchasing cards and postage stamps.

IV. Ambassadors Report (*Cherol Ockrassa*)

A. December 2023 Ambassador Report for STCG per Cherol Ockrassa: 46 regular shifts; 0 shifts closed/rented; 0 no show/closed; 0 Intake; 3 docents trained; 2 shifts co-docented; 29 worked 1 shift; 6 worked 2 shifts; 1 worked 5 shifts — 38 unique members worked.

B. December 2023 Ambassador Report for Village 360 Gallery per Cherol Ockrassa: 15 regular shifts worked; 5 shifts closed/rented; 1 Intake; 2 docents trained; 0 shifts co-docented; 13 worked 1 shift; 1 worked 2 shifts — 14 unique members worked.

C. Per Cherol, in January 2024 we had a few docents that were no show.

V. Solano Town Center Gallery Report

A. Gift Shop (*JoRené Danel*): JoRené Danel reported that we had an intake for the Gift Shop; a few members brought in items for Valentine's Day. We plan to do another intake in April. We anticipate painting the walls in the Gift Shop.

B. Security Cameras: Per Dennis, we have an electrician (*Wink Electrical*) that will be able to do the electrical work for us so we can install the cameras.

C. Docent No Shows: We need to make sure members update their contact information whenever there are changes.

VI. Village 360 Gallery Report (*Dennis Ariza*)

Intake: We will be having an intake on Monday, January 22, 9am-1pm.

VII. Salon Collective GV Art Gallery (*Dennis Ariza*)

New Outdoor Sign: Dennis Ariza is working with the property owner and Laura's grandson on the new outdoor sign; waiting for a quote.

VIII. FSVAA Report

- A. Social Media: Lucy Foldhazi reported that things are going well on both Facebook and Instagram. We are getting more interaction on posts. and more followers.
- B. Per Dennis Ariza, the website is up to date with future shows.
- C. Dennis Ariza presented to the Board a copy of a press release he is working on for the 80-year Anniversary of Art in Fairfield.
- D. We plan to hold an FSVAA Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon for all those that worked at the JAS Entry Day and Jury Day, Art on the Vine, and The Crush. Janet Barnes and Dennis Ariza are working on the volunteer list and will provide it to Lucy, who will be creating the invitations. The Board agreed the luncheon should be held at Village 360. Dennis will contact them and confirm reservation.

IX. Art by the Bay (*Dennis Ariza*)

- A. Dennis Ariza is still working with those in Suisun City to confirm a date for Art by the Bay. Dennis mentioned that the best date is late September of this year.
- B. Dennis Ariza has acquired the permit from Suisun City.
- C. Dennis Ariza has almost completed the County permit.
- D. Food Trucks: We will have four (4) different food trucks; they need to be self-contained.
- E. Support Letters: Janet Barnes had Lucy type a sponsorship support letter and Dennis Ariza has also submitted a letter; both were presented to the Board. Dennis will send out a letter to our Bank.
- F. Music: Tom is willing to provide the music.
- G. No wine will be served at this event.
- H. Portable Toilets will be needed.
- I. The next Art by the Bay committee meeting will be held Tuesday, January 23 at 6pm at STCG.

X. Grants (*Dennis Ariza*)

We will be reviewing Grant applications tomorrow, Thursday, January 18. We have received 15 applications.

XI. Committees

Dennis Ariza had added Committee registration to our website so members can sign up online. To date, no one has signed up. Since this has not worked, we will go back and add the committees to the Membership Application. We will be updating this application, will have a front and back.

XII. New Business

Children's Art Show: JoRené Danel sent emails to every 1-8th grade art teacher to let them know about this event. She said only four (4) have responded to date. Dennis Ariza mentioned that he has received 5-6 calls. JoRené is willing to pick up the art from the schools.

XIII. Next Meeting

Board Meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month. Board Members will be reminded of meetings via e-mail.

XIV. Adjournment

Dennis Ariza adjourned the meeting at 10:21 am.