

DAFA Board Meeting Sat June 14, 2008

Michelle called the meeting to order at 10:15am.at JoAnn Fabrics. Also attending were Sara Moe, Suzanne Morgan, Jo Appleton, Lu Peters, Jack Brockette, Sherrie Tootle, Mary Schulte and Rhonda Douglass.

**FINANCE:** Suzanne reported that we currently have \$6050.00, and that she is working on the preliminary budget which has been emailed to officers. An annual audit is required and Michelle and Rhonda volunteered to help. It was moved and seconded to move the checking account into an interest bearing account at View Point Bank, which has a minimum of \$2500.

**PROGRAMS:** Rhonda congratulated Deborah on her art swap at the last program. Everyone agreed it was a success and wanted to repeat it at a future program. Deborah and Connie are on vacation and sent a rough program schedule:

June: Marla Legvold Wearable Art and mini-workshop on her 3-D animals and insects

July: Carol Morrissey "Dye, Paint, Ink, Oh My!" and mini-workshop on ink and paints

Aug: Open (Suzanne Morgan was asked about possible program that she teaches at Craft Guild)

Sept: Becky Houdeshel Her MFA experience and basketry workshop

Oct: Cheryl Darrow "Finding Your Big Mama, the Creative Journey", and mini-workshop

Nov: Mixed Media Rotation with 4-5 members demonstrating a variety of techniques (origami flowers, image transfer, travel sketchbook, etc were mentioned) each demonstrator would be paid and there would be a small supply fee.

Dec: Holiday Party and Silent Art Auction

Jan: Deborah Boschert Photographing Your Work and Trash to Treasure Sale prior to meeting

Feb: Ed Noyce "Why I Never Do the Same Thing Twice" and weaving mini-workshop

March: Lisa Renner Mixed Media and mini-workshop

April: Ellen Holt Tassels

May: Installation Dinner

Program budget: Deborah has asked for \$2000, which includes \$500 for a workshop. We discussed Ginny Eckley for a Sept. workshop. Deborah will look at different meeting places in South Carrollton where Jo has determined is the residential epicenter of our membership. The new location will be presented to the membership *after* we find a place. Rhonda suggested we try to coordinate more carpooling. Another notice will be placed in the newsletter. Jo also suggested we include a photo of presenters and their email addresses.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Michelle spoke about the need to offer something to the place where we meet so they won't charge us. Sara will negotiate. CC Young would like us to do something for their members: offer to let them attend and perhaps offer them a workshop in thanks for donating their space to us. How can we give back to them??? VET may have some workshop ideas.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Jo reported that we are at 50% of members paid. (37 paid). Lu will send a reminder. Membership cards are being printed and will go out in July. Suzanne has the history on how long members have been in the group. A membership packet was proposed to include cards, Tom Thumb/Kroger information, a program list, and information on our website, to include the other Federation groups. Jo has recommended to the Houston coordinator of the 2008-9 Directory that all information be put into Excel spreadsheet, so the Directory will be now be done that way. She will propose a different format for printing the Directory for next year and that it is emailed to members to save printing and postage costs. Her budget for membership is \$200. A percentage of our membership fee goes for printing the Directory.

**NEWSLETTER:** The newsletter will be re-sent to members as some did not receive. Michelle complimented Mary on her effort in doing the first newsletter. Mary read her list of notices,, including asking members for their websites. She will add a link to Houston, Austin and San Antonio group websites, and add a list of members who are teaching and the specific on their classes. Adding an RSS to advise changes on the website was approved and Michelle will send out a link to all officers for the logo and other pertinent information. She also asked for condensed snippets for newsletter. Sherrie wants to feature an informal profile of members and read a list of questions to ask for each profile. The budget submitted was \$200 for printing and mailing costs. It was agreed that anyone with an email address would not receive a mailed copy.

**SHOW:** Jack reported that Ed is waiting to hear about the spring show at TVAA, which costs about \$150 to rent. Sara spoke about her show at the Keller City Hall and that Brenda Wyatt is on Art Board there and they want a fiber show there. Sara will ask Brenda about the availability for April.

**FUND RAISING:** Sara proposed the idea of a Vendor Fair at Office Expo.

The pros and cons of getting people in to buy were discussed. Suzanne told her experiences, and Jo mentioned that Make Dallas had only a fair response to their sale. Sara proposed approaching a shopping mall, and asked ideas or contacts.

**Christmas Party:** it was moved and seconded to have the party at CC Young, with the date to be determined.

**Trash to Treasures:** garage sale of members' donations will be held in January prior to the program.

**MISC:** Michelle and Lu will coordinate the printing of a postcard with the programs and group information to be mailed out to prospective members. Sara offered a resource for less expensive printing.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lu Peters, Secretary