

Board Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2009

Michelle called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM. Michelle Knoerzer, Rhonda Douglass, Ed Noyce, Deborah Boschert, Jack Brockette, Sherrie Tootle, Suzanne Morgan, Jo Appleton, and Lu Peters were in attendance.

Programs: Deborah Boschert reported that the *Ginny Eckley workshop* has 22 registered. Lu and Connie have list of payments. Connie will take checks at the workshop. We will pay \$25 to Asel Art for rent. The hours are 10-4 on January 24th. Sara will pick up Ginny at the airport, and host her for meals, provide transport to the Monday night meeting etc. Fees are: \$450 for the workshop, \$250 for the program, \$125 for the mini-workshop. A reminder email will go out next week. The mini-workshop is at 5:30PM and features her techniques of silk screening. The fees are: \$6 for supplies with no screen purchase, \$16 for a small screen kit or \$36 for a large screen. Lu will bring plastic covering to the Monday meeting. The Business meeting will begin at 7PM. The information in the newsletter needs to be changed to 7PM. The program theme is "Understanding Creativity".

Deborah also contacted *Katie Pasquini Masopust* who said she was available to teach a workshop in March but provided no suggestions....Deborah thought it might be too difficult to squeeze a workshop into the busy Quilt Show weekend; however, we may want to partner with QGOD to sponsor an art quilter for a lecture in the future. Jo suggested that we have a special exhibit at the Dallas Quilt Show.

The February program is Ed Noyce, the March program is Lisa Renner [Mixed Media].

Annual Show: Ed Noyce stated that we have 37 pieces entered so far and that we need more to fill the space. He will call Brenda Wyatt to discuss the jurying process and then consider extending the date for entries. After the show we agreed to have a discussion on how to improve next year's show. Pieces are to go to the meeting for transport. We need a sign up sheet for reception. Michelle, Lu, Deborah and Sally Middleton will host the reception on Thursday February 5th. The Jury is the Keller Art Committee. M and L, and Sally Middleton, Deborah will help with reception on Thursday February 5th. Pick up is on Feb 27th Friday. Jo will help Ed and the time will be a specific one..

A poster for display is also needed. The cost for the poster will be one of our few expenses. There will be no awards.

Show venues for next year were discussed: Jack mentioned that The Bath House is accepting proposals for next year by the end of January. It is free. Jack will write the proposal for a date after March of 2010. Deborah mentioned the 14th Street Gallery in Plano as another possibility.

Other Business: Michelle presented ideas and formats for the promotional *postcards*. The 4" x 6" card was favored and suggestions were made for the design. She will call Tonya Littman for help. *Website:* she proposed taking off the featured artist section, also changing the DAFA shows to "Shows and Events", adding "member workshops" in a date-ordered format, denoting DAFA membership. She also recommended eliminating the "Opportunities" section. The Board agreed. *Logo:* It was agreed that we need a new logo. Michelle expressed her concern about the lack of member involvement in general.

Jo suggested asking for an assistant webmaster at the meeting and for other help and involvement. Lu suggested using the postcard format on the top of the website. The cost of a \$100,000 *Liability Insurance* policy is \$300 a year. Jo volunteered to look into this and we tabled it to next month.

Newsletter: Sherrie Tootle would like to have more articles and information for the newsletter. Michelle said that it will go out this weekend. Ed asked if it is necessary to have both the newsletter and the website. Deborah suggested scheduling a planning session for May for a business plan for 2009-10.

Treasurer: Suzanne Morgan: The *treasury has \$7499.65*. We are changing to Citibank as our current bank is going out of business.

Membership Jo Appleton stated that we have *66 members*. She will add Vanessa Smith to the list and do changes to the file which will be mailed out.

Federation: Jack Brochette stated that the deadline for entry to the Federation Show in Houston is *June 1st*. Michelle and Jo asked him to address the topic of changing the directory information to an electronic format next year. The problem of dealing with this year's membership information was discussed.

Other: In response to last month's low attendance, Michelle asked the Board if meeting every other month occasionally. The Board felt that meeting monthly was important and agreed to cancel only when necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lu Peters

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