

## Minnesota Porcelain Art Guild Meeting Minutes 22 June 2018

In the absence of President Deb Warwick, Vice President Val Naber called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Minutes of the previous meeting (20 April 2018) were reviewed. Diane Chase motioned to accept the minutes as printed; Doris Coghill seconded. Val welcomed Ione Roland who was visiting.

Treasurer Becky Thompson gave the financial report. Beginning Checkbook Balance as of 18 May 2018 = \$1617.86. Total Income = \$973.00. Expenses = \$483.79. Ending Balances per bank statement of 2 May 2018 = Savings: \$4417.06; Checking: \$1780.68; Education Endowment: \$3485.30. Total Guild Assets = \$9683.04. Becky reported that 32 Guild members had paid their 2018 dues; there are 44 members on the current roster.

Sunshine Update: Val reported that Ardy Bernier has been diagnosed with breast cancer. No further information is available at this time. Dolores will send a card. Dolores also sent a card to Lucy Deering who had been suffering with a very low blood count.

The total Lunch Count = 20.

Porcelain Exchange: Sandy Jarosh won a piece painted by Deb Warwick.

Show and Tell: Val showed a pin she had made (in a class) of scrap clay which was glazed and wire wrapped. Ione showed lots of porcelain vases she had hand-built; also glass art pieces she'd done, some fused, some painted. Ione also showed natural wood pieces that she had decorated with glued-on porcelain flowers and feathers, etc. Ione donated two vases, one that was given away to Doris Coghill as a door prize, and one given as a prize to Dolores Garbarini when she guessed right that Ione had used shoe polish to finish one of the vases. Ione also announced that she is teaching a one-day glass seminar on August 11<sup>th</sup> at her studio in Mayer, MN.

Val mentioned that many people (teachers and board members included) will be absent at the time of the July meeting. She called for discussion regarding whether to cancel the July meeting this year, and whether future July meetings should be off the table due to so many people away at their cabins. It was noted that it was too late to cancel the July meeting this year. The idea of adding a meeting in February to compensate for no July meeting (for the general schedule moving forward) was not well received due to the sketchy weather in February. It was suggested that the Guild drop the June meeting instead of July because June is so close to the Founders Day Event.

Bev Johnson volunteered to demo for the upcoming July meeting as Ardy is unable to do it as scheduled.

Joyce Basham, the Guild historian, suggested that we use the current digital history photos for a slideshow to run during the State Fair demo day. This idea was well received by Guild members.

Becky passed around the current roster, asking members to check their entries for accuracy.

Diane agreed to maintain her board position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, but she is unable to plan the Guild Holiday Party so is asking for a volunteer to manage that.

Val reported that the estate sale at the Founders Day Event raised \$213.00 for the Guild's general treasury.

Diane provided instructions for entering pieces in the 2018 MN State Fair. The Guild's demo day is August 27.

Val noted that we need to know how many tables will be needed for the September Members' Sale in order to know how much space to rent for the event and asked members to be thinking about a possible future change in format.

Cherri Beisang gave an Education Committee report. Dates have been confirmed for the 2018 Porcelain Arts School: November 1-3 at Rosewood Village Condominiums in Roseville. Teacher applications are closed and details about the school will be available soon.

It was decided that the fall challenge piece will be Christmas-themed, painted on any piece of porcelain.

Kathy Svendsen announced a painting seminar with Peter Faust and Harun Aschrafi to be held August 20-23 in Annandale, MN. Cost is \$775 for the painting instruction, with \$200 of that needed as a placeholder for those interested. Contact: Nancy Bergman.

Dolores made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Diane seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m. and was followed by a demo of self-made transfers by Beth McCusker.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Lindbloom, Recording Secretary.