

Stained and Fused Glass Club General Meeting and Spring Fling Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/4/2020

Call to Order. Jo Anne Bowman called to order the regular meeting of the Stained and Fused Glass Club at 6:51 p.m. on 3/4/20 at the SCOV Activity Center.

Jo Anne thanked Addie May our social director and her team for planning and setting up the meeting room.

Reading of Previous Meeting Minutes. Lisa Schulz, our Secretary, was out of town for this meeting.

Nancy Jarvis, our Studio Manager, read the minutes from the last meeting. There were no corrections or additions to the minutes. A motion was made by Carol Benish to approve the minutes as read which was seconded by Anne Solomon and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report and 2020 Budget and Audit Report. Debbie Brown, our treasurer, read the treasurer's report. She went over the budget for 2020 and informed the membership that the 2019 books, audited by Chris McCreedy and her husband, were found to be in order. With no corrections or additions to the treasurer's reports, a motion was made by Wally Bowman to accept the Treasurer report and 2020 budget and audit report. The motion was seconded by Mary Anne London and approved by the membership.

Old Business

Web page: Nancy Jarvis talked about developing a club web page. This had been previously discussed but never voted on. Nancy Jarvis would help set up the website if someone else would agree to be the Web Master. Bob Knight agreed to take on this job. A motion was made by Bob Knight to have the club webpage tie into the SCOV website. It was seconded by Anne Solomon and approved by the membership.

New Business

Safety Training Classes: Jo Anne talked about the Safety Monitor training classes that the Board developed with help from the existing monitors. SCOV General Manager Mark Wade approved our Safety Monitor training class material. The training classes would start on 3/5. Class signup sheets were provided at the meeting.

More General Meetings or Not. The question was posed if more general meetings during the year are desired, and if so, how many? Two members asked why we don't have more general meetings. They cited the Clay Club which has a general meeting every month. If we did have more meetings, we would need to find a larger room in which to hold them. Our studio room is very small and contains only 11 chairs. After much discussion, it was

decided that the membership did not want more general meetings. They prefer the Club Board to take care of any issues between meetings. A motion was made by Mary Ann London to keep our general meetings to two a year. It was seconded by Helen Salvay and approved by the membership.

When the Budget is Prepared. Our Club bylaws do not state when the budget should be prepared but do state that the fiscal year runs January 1st through December 31st. Debbie, our treasurer, prepared the budget based on last year's income and expenses after year end. At the Board meeting of January 7th, Debbie presented the proposed 2020 budget. The Board made a few changes and the budget was approved for review by the membership at the next general meeting in March.

When the Annual Budget is Proposed to Club Membership. A member stated that unless a new budget is approved by the membership in December, the Club would not be able to pay any bills. Therefore, an emergency meeting should be held to approve the budget. The Board asked club member Dan Stasi, who has expert knowledge of nonprofit organizations and Roberts Rules of Order, to review our club bylaws to make sure the Board was acting in compliance. Dan stated that the bylaws do not specify when the budget should be prepared. They only specify that the fiscal year runs January 1 to December 31. Dan stated that our bylaws give the authority to the treasurer to pay all bills, period. Dan also stated that the bylaws give the Board the right to conduct all business for the club between regular membership meetings. After discussion, a motion was made by Carol Benish to specify in the bylaws that the Treasurer would prepare the proposed new budget after the year end (following December 31). The new budget would then be presented by the Treasurer at the first Glass Club Board meeting in January, be reviewed and approved by the Board at that time, and then presented to the membership at the next general meeting. The motion was seconded by Wally Bowman and approved by the membership.

Club Bylaws and Policy. Club bylaws and policies and procedures will need to be updated to reflect the changes to the budget section as well as changes to Studio Manager procedures and safety training requirements. Changes will be voted on in the December meeting.

Permitting Outside Instructors. The Board discussed considerations for permitting outside (guest) instructors to teach classes in our studio. Considerations included what charge per hour would be permitted for each class, how often an instructor could hold classes, and the amount of disruption to our regular scheduling and open studio time would be feasible. Discussion revealed that allowing outside instruction would cause open studio time in our already small studio to become too limited to fairly serve our growing membership. If our members wish to take a class taught by outside instructors, they are free to sign up for such classes at the host's place of business. A motion was made by Kaaren Drent to not allow outside instructors to teach classes in our studio. It was seconded by Bob Knight and approved by the membership.

Spring Fling Contest Winners. There were 37 entries to the Spring Fling Contest. Jo Anne recognized the Contest Committee: Carol Beamer, Helen Beamish, Juliet Williams, Mary Anne London, Carol Lovold and Jo Anne Bowman. Thanks for all your hard work.

A slide show of pictures of each member with their glass entry was shown while Carolyn Ancell played the harp.

The winners for each category were:

Stained Glass 1st Lenora Brown

2nd Jack Breslin

3rd Al Jarvis

Fused Glass 1st Carol Benish

2nd Anne Solomon

3rd Shirley Sheriff

Wild Desert Glass

1st Mary Anne London

2nd Wye Mace

3rd Deb Wehrung

Other Business.

We have entered phase two of long-range planning.

A member introduced the idea of hosting an open house to allow people to see some of the great stained and fused glass projects in our homes. The open house concept was presented as an opportunity for a fund raiser for the future expansion of our studio.

Jo Anne recited an Irish friendship Blessing.

Two St Patrick's Day basket door prizes were given out.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.