Mother Lode Art Association Board Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023

The MLAA Board meeting was called together by John Sharum at 11:05 am at Tuolumne County Library Meeting Room at 480 Greenley Road in Sonora.

Board Members Present: Monika Stattner, Lorna Hunt, Maureen Carden, Linda Happel, Jean Dakota, Kate Crist and John Sharum. **MLAA members** Rana Ford, Pattie Henderson and Mel Martin also attended. Elizabeth Encoyland was also present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Maureen moved, and Kate seconded a motion to approve the November 21 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried.

John informed the Board that last month Umpqua Bank did receive a copy of the General Meeting minutes (which are not usually written up) showing the names of the newly elected Board of Director members (treasurer and president) and a sign-off by the secretary on the minutes. This is required for signature cards for treasurer and president.

Treasurers Report: Kate reported:

January 31, 2023	
Checking Acct:	\$10,348.92
Deposits/ Additions:	\$80.00
Withdrawls/ Subtractions:	\$1,850.00
Ending Balance:	\$8,578.92

Membership Report: Kate reported: MLAA has three new members since January.

68th annual MLAA Fine Art Show and Exhibition: Various speakers:

Maureen stated that she will put a "Welcome to New Members" paragraph on the MLAA website.

John needs insurance information and to confirm that we have coverage while at the Library.

John has ordered the additional fabric wrapped panels and wire picture hangers, to be delivered to Linda's house (in lieu of the ALOFT Gallery). This will avoid one additional trip to load and deliver to the Opera Hall. The total cost was around \$5,000.00 including freight charges.

We will need additional bodies to help with panel setup on Tuesday, April 4, as Linda's husband is recovering from surgery and Lorna (and husband) will be out of town. Both Linda and Lorna's husbands were a huge help last year with the panel setup.

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Action item: The Groveland high school and elementary school have submitted a five thousand dollar list of requests for art supplies. This is beyond the MLAA budget. Jean moved and Kate seconded a motion to limit the donation as follows: MLAA will be donating \$750 to each Groveland school for a total of \$1,500. The motion carried. (This brings the current total of donations to schools to \$4,850.00.)

Art Show Donations: John reported that he contacted the Sonora Area Foundation and the Visit Tuolumne. The Sonora Area Foundation will donate \$1,500 to MLAA and Visit Tuolumne will donate \$1,000 to MLAA.

John has sent donation letters to Blue Mountain Minerals and to Betty Holder at Clark Broadcasting.

Bob F. will ask Safeway for a donation again this year.

We currently do not have a point of contact person for Adventist Health.

As of today's date, the local casinos have not been contacted for donations.

John has asked Mark Truppner for 2 radio slots to advertise the art show.

Linda will ask Barb Young for a painting donation for the silent auction/ raffle in addition to J. Conn's painting.

Kate is going to meet with Renetta to review show entries in order to make identification tags.

Mel from Photo Club requested to include the photo club logo on the website and the advertising. The photo club will provide their own judges. Mel will do the tags for the photo club pieces (instead of Cathy Scutt). The photo club will get 5 panels (1 side).

March 17 is the deadline for all entries.

Monique from Visit Tuolumne knows of a renaissance band that might be interested to play on stage.

Linda has a contact, Brian Arnett, for print making at Dario Cassinas Alternative High School.

Maureen will be responsible for the indoor plein air demonstrations.

Jean will contact Heinie Hartwig for a painting demonstration on stage.

It was suggested that the Blue Oak Band could be on a poster or calendar for the show on the Visitor's Bureau website. Someone would need to contact the marketing person at the Visitor's Bureau.

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It was suggested that the rack cards (in lieu of post cards) could be put in the casinos.

It was suggested that there be a food truck and music in the parking lot next to the Opera Hall. (This parking lot is owned by Yosemite Title and would we need to get permission to use the property.)

Linda will contact Inner Sanctum and John will contact Calaveras County wineries for donations. Jean will contact Leslie Hurst for a donation.

It was moved, seconded and passed to adjourn. Meeting concluded at 12:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Jean Dakota, Secretary, Mother Lode Art Association