

Yosemite Western Artists
Board Meeting Agenda

4/16/16 10:00 AM—11:00 AM

The meeting began at 10:05

Present were: Shannon Grissom, Vicki Thomas, Sandee Scott, Bill Davis, Wendy Denton, Norma Rogers, Doug Boomer, Gina Mims, Lori Ann Cole.

President Update: Shannon Grissom

Tri County Update: We are in good shape for Tri-Co. Sandee Scott will prepare the title labels for the show.

Gina Mims brought in the newly printed banner and posters. The board will remind members to take post cards and distribute them. Gina will also do extra publicity.

Sandee Scott showed the board the Sierra Star News article about the Tri-County show.

Site Update: YWA has been featuring updates on the front page of our site for demonstrators.

Membership renewals are currently available on-line.

De Sheldon called everyone on our membership list for membership renewal.

Demonstrators: Wendy Denton has accepted the position as VP, Demonstrators.

September—Scheduled will be a demo on the use of Citrasolve.

November—Kathy Marks

Visitors' Center Coordinator: Suzanne Banks. Suzanne Banks is unable to coordinate the change-out for April. Vicki Thomas will hang the show in the Visitor's Center hallway after the YWA demonstration/meeting on April 16, 2016. Gay Abarbanell also helped with the show.

Site Updates MOM and Meeting on Front Page: Shannon designs and writes a blog post for Member of the Month candidates. This month was Lori Ann Cole.

VP Update: Sandee Scott: Sandee Scott mentioned plein air painting at Terry Robinson's home. An email with instructions and time has been sent

Membership—No additional information about membership.

Plein Air—Sandee Scott and Carolyn Hartling will step down from their *plein air* positions in September. Any member(s) interested, please contact Sandee or Carolyn .

Secretary Update: Vicki Thomas told Wendy Denton there is a blue spiral-ring binder somewhere that had a list of candidates for doing demos. This will be a big help to Wendy.

Treasurer: Norma Rogers said we are now on a month to month payment schedule for renting the Gertrude Schoolhouse. This means we have more money, since we didn't pay for the entire year.

Thanks to entry fees for Bill Davis's presentation last month, YWA has \$160.00 more in its treasury. We now have \$4088.77. See Treasurer's Report, upon request.

The Williams Gallery has joined as members.

YWA will purchase a ½ page ad in the Sierra Art Trails Catalog for ½ price.

Gina will update our ad from the SAT catalog.

Communications: Gina Mims will now push information for the upcoming Tri.Co. Show.

Sorensen's Black and White Show will open on April 30th.

Sandee will write a piece for the newsletter about the end of YWA terms.

Gertrude Schoolhouse will be available for SAT participants.

Social Media: Bill Davis says our page is up 4.2%; 166 people; 252 likes.

Shannon has put a plug-in to stream Facebook.

Gertrude Operations: Doug Boomer filled the water tank, using less water than previous. He put a new valve in for the toilet. Yesterday, Doug mowed the school yard. Members thanked him.

New Business:

Live Model Sessions: Juanita Smith is worried about our Friday Portrait Group. We will send an e-blast to get an opinion from artists for the group's direction. Eight artists each session would pay for the model. Attendance has been down, lately.

Bill suggested sending photos of models for Facebook. He also suggested that we set up a still life for people who can participate in the evenings. Any evening can be selected. Try a month of sessions and see how it goes. This information will be posted within the next two weeks in the newsletter. Bill mentioned Mexican Folk Art. Wendy Denton mentioned her doll house and miniature furniture as a possibility.

Shannon reminded that we do have an informative video, and that we should post more information for the photo group.

June Meeting: Shannon

Shannon asked that our June Election meeting be changed from June 18 to Saturday, June 11. We all agreed.

For YWA Election's Picnic in June, we will order BBQ chicken and beef, beans, slaw, and depend upon potluck contributions to complete the menu. We generally expect about 16 members, but order for 20 people. Event starts at 11:00.

We need to vote in new members and to form a nominating committee to find new officers.

Sandee reminded that Timberline Gallery has rack cards including the YWA show listed on the back of the card. Wendy Denton's "Cancer Chronicles" will be held May 9-May 19 at Timberline Gallery.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki D. Thomas

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General Meeting Minutes 4/16/16

Tri-Co. Exhibit and Show

Sandee passed around sign-up clipboards for helpers for in-take and take-down during our Tri-Co. Show. Help would be appreciated for the May 21 reception and clean-up.

Members were encouraged to take post cards and to distribute to friends. They are regular First Class cards.

Sandee showed the Sierra Star article for Tri-Co.

Entry forms can be found on www.yosemitewesternartists.com website.

A recognition award was given to Lori Ann Cole for Member of the Month. Lori has been a past president for YWA. Congratulations, Lori!

Our new VP, responsible for demonstrators is Wendy Denton. Members are welcome to give suggestions for future demonstrators.

September Demonstrator: Carolyn Gamble

November Demonstrator: Kathy Marks

Suzanne Banks has volunteered to take over rotation of art at the Visitor's Center. Vicki Thomas will substitute this month for Suzanne.

June 11th Elections: Shannon will step down as president. Vicki Thomas will step down as secretary; Norma Rogers will stay as treasurer, but she would be willing to step down if a member would take her place.

Sandee Scott: Membership is good. We will have 100 members by year-end. YWA has 15 new members. Sandee has sent greeting cards to them.

Plein air notice has been sent. It will be held at Terry Robinson's home near Nelder and Lewis Creek.

Norma Rogers gave the Treasury Report. Bill Davis's donation of \$166.00 from a social media presentation and it has helped a great deal. We have \$4088.77 in our treasury, and are paying monthly rent instead of annually. The Baker Estate has not been settled and is still up in the air. There is no renewable lease. Members are urged to look for a possibility to rent in the future in case we lose Gertrude as a meeting place.

It was reminded that Sierra Art Trails applications are due May 1. Applications can be found online.

Members are encouraged to sponsor young students during SAT. Students get \$100 donation for expenses.

Gina Mims: Asked members to send newsletter information by the end of next weekend. There will be no YWA meeting next month because of our Tri-County Show.

Portrait Fridays have been lightly attended.

Bill Davis wants members to send him information to post on Facebook page; he will post any showing, exhibits, contests.

Vicki Thomas thanked Doug Boomer, Juanita Smith and Phyllis McAdams for the work they do for the Gertrude School House. Many more members contribute their time and help and are also thanked and appreciated.

June 25th is Deborah Pepin's class at Gertrude, at a cost of \$45.00. She will provide all the materials. Details can be found on YWA Website and calendar.

Norma Rogers says to checkout NIX by Google. It's a free download. "Google Art Project." Documenting all great works of art; Zoom-in.

Sorensen's Gallery: Black and White exhibit on April 30th. www.SorensensGallery.com

Karen Tillison has an exhibit of 12 pieces of photography at United Security Bank titled, "Faces of the World" and she will have an ad in SAT catalog.

Juanita Smith says she has July, Aug. Sept. open for an exhibit at USB.

Wendy Denton has an exhibit at Timberline Gallery, "Cancer Chronicles" from May 9--May 19.

Doug Hansen gave a presentation on his illustrating methods and talked about his career as a book illustrator.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki D. Thomas, Secretary