

Meeting Called to Order at 10:15 am by Debbie Young

Debbie reviewed the history of OPAA to everyone, noting that next year will be 55th Anniversary.

Results of voting from Ballots: Total number of members that voted were 36

- Should OPAA Gallery 223 on Hudson remain open?: Majority vote was “No”
- Where should the General Meetings be held: Majority of Vote was “St. Lukes”
- Should we dissolve the organization or suspend for a period of time?

Since there were not enough people willing to take on the board positions and after various discussions, it was motioned by Angi Jensen and seconded by Eva Kuzo to suspend the organization for a period of 4 months and install a committee to come up with ways to get existing and new members to fill the board, and come up with ideas on how to fill the void being left behind by members not returning next year. This group will also look at what is currently being done to see if we can minimize work loads.

Example of tasks that will need someone’s attention outside of open board positions: newsletter editor, all aspects of hosting internet, hosting internet sites for members, video equipment mgr, virtual show mgr, zoom mgr,, art inspiration mgr.

The following people volunteered to be part of this committee:

Chris Allen: *Group Lead*,

Mary Lewis,

Terri ?????,

Marilyn Heistand,

Randy Radock,

Pat Warner will take minutes. Eva suggested these minutes be publicized monthly.

Debbie will give Chris email access so he can send information and/or requests to members.

• Board Members Elections:

The vote was counted, below are the results:

- *President: Open*
- *Vice President: Open*
- *Second Vice President: Open*
- *Treasurer: Open*
- *Secretary: Pat Warner*
- *Member at Large: Viola Marshall*
- *Member at Large: Randyn Radock*
- *Member at Large: Eva Kuzo for half a year - our bylaws were amended to allow Eva to continue on as a board member despite the 5 year limit set in the by-laws.*
- *Member at Large: Open*

Membership Renewals:

Since it was decided to suspend operations for 4 month a question was asked about renewals of membership. After discussion it was motioned by Lauren Churchill and seconded by Eva Kozun that all existing members will have their membership extended out to end of suspension period. The motion was approved.

In the mean time, Debbie Young will continue to pay bills and will be available for questions but she will not be continuing as a member next year.

Meeting was adjourned followed by our annual holiday potluck.