

Mother Lode Art Association Board Meeting

Monday, August 15, 2022

The MLAA Board meeting was called together by John Sharum at 11:00 am at Tuolumne County Library Meeting Room at 480 Greenley Road in Sonora.

Board Members Present: Bob Feigen, Maureen Carden, Louisa King, Linda Happel and John Sharum

Treasurer's Report: Financial summary was not discussed. Numbers below are from the June meeting:

Financial Summary from June 20 to Aug 12, 2022

Checking Account:	\$11,433.85
<u>Savings Balance:</u>	<u>\$ 3,200.94</u>
Grand Total	\$14,634.79

School Funding

Linda and Louisa reported that they had not gotten a response from efforts to reach Cathy Parker. Too busy with school semester start-up. They shared a draft of their Grant letter and were trying to find a way of getting it to schools with art programs in Tuolumne County (two districts and 30 schools, potentially).

We agreed that money should be doled out based on merit and need. We agreed the Grant letter should have a return date of October 15, 2022, and be returned to MLAA, not the Superintendent in order to not end up going into some general fund.

We decided to set up a meeting with Laurie Livingston of TCA in order to tap into her contacts at the schools. (This meeting was subsequently set up for 11:00 am August 30, 2022, at the Aloft Gallery.)

John Sharum will set up a meeting with the Sonora Area Foundation to see about funding to increase our ability to help schools and/or support the 2023 Art Show. (To be done after meeting with TCA)

We reviewed current Financial Snapshot provided by Lorna Hunt and agreed we might be able to go above \$4000 as shown in the grant letter but would wait until we see what is asked for in October.

Art Show 2023

So far, we have booked the Opera Hall for April 2-9. Art Take in on April 4, judging on April 5, hanging on April 6 and Show on April 7,8 and 9. The Visit Tuolumne folks have the Opera Hall from April 10-13 and may be able to book it through to the 16. So, we need to plan for some type of extended show. Monique Holcomb of Visit Tuolumne will try to come to our September Board meeting to discuss their ideas. As a minimum, the show should be able to run from April 7-13, with an outside chance of going to the 16th.

We discussed approaching Sonora Area Foundation for support. (Opera Hall Expense or new

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metal hangers) as well as Visit Tuolumne above the extended Opera Hall offer.

When we meet with TCA, we will ask about borrowing their panels again and coordinating any student show.

J. Conn is closing his studio, so we need to approach him about his work for our raffle prize and logo for the show.

Agreed we will try to have on-line prospectus but in person judging. Submission, Pay and Tracking as well as labels will be the goal for the on-line work. Lorna is going to help with this-- need by January.

Linda will put together a timeline for the show.

For the student show, we talked about having it in the library in conjunction with TCA.

We agreed to work with the Watch Community again.

Need to have as an Art Committee item the In Focus Show schedule etc. and how to involve the Sonora Photo Club work.

Bylaws Revision: Tabled until next meeting

Women Veterans' Memorial

John Sharum gave an update. Design has been finished and agreed to for the gate, fountain and flagpole portion. Still need to design eagle for fountain area and plaques for the flagpole area. John Sharum to meet August 23 with designer Roy Lane and Frank Smart to continue refining the design so construction costs can be estimated, final approvals can be started and fund raising by Frank begun.

Other

We agreed to have Marilyn Zinner move from October to September as Chuck Waldman is ill and will not be available in September as planned. We are waiting on her bio to put out a notice before Maureen leaves on her trip.

The meeting concluded at 12:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Dakota,

Secretary, Mother Lode Art Association