

Minutes - Business Meeting - The Outlet

Members Present: (tbc). New Members: 0

1. **Call to Order** 7:04 p.m.
2. **Adoption of the Agenda.** Moved by Julie Brassington, seconded by Beth David; All in favour.
3. **Approval of the January 2022 business meeting:** Moved by Kathy Blore, seconded by Tomi Hewer; All in favour.
4. **Notes from the Interim President:** Christine Malone
 - Polonez Tri-City - They would like to borrow our art panels on either April 19-29 or July 4-15th. This happens every year and the association usually gives AFAA a payment in return.
 - Farmer's Market - Bob Wallace has volunteered to look after our involvement in the market this summer. New rules state that community groups may only join 4 times free of charge. The dates chose are July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25. Due to construction in Leigh Square, the Farmer's Market will be located on the (PCCC) Port Coquitlam Community Centre plaza (formerly recreation centre) facing Kelly Street.
 - Cultural Roundtable - On February 17th, Dianna Veenhof and Christine Malone gave a well-received talk about our club and the show.
 - Request to Library - A request was sent to the city staff regarding display space for AFAA artwork in the library and adjoining front room. The request was addressed to: Robi Smith <smithr@portcoquitlam.ca>; cconroy@fvrl.bc.ca <cconroy@fvrl.bc.ca>; mccurrachn@portcoquitlam.ca <mccurrachn@portcoquitlam.ca>; Carrie Nimmo <NimmoC@portcoquitlam.ca>
 - Community Painting - The canvasses for two community paintings (Party in the Square May 5th, and Theatrix June 25th) are prepped, sketched and ready to paint at the next workshop. Thanks to the members who did this work, your help is very much appreciated. The objective is to paint about 50% of them as there will not be enough time to finish them at the community events.

- Attendance - Attendance of members from last September onward were transcribed by Ilona Gregor to the spreadsheet created by Sneha Sahar. The master copy is up-to-date. Thanks, Ilona and Sneha. Please strive to get your meetings in, members and remember you must have 4 business meetings before our Fall show.

5. Update on the MWAG Art Show - Dianna Veenhof (absent)

6. Update on Attendance Points Initiative - Helen Ramsay

- Tonight is not for a decision and I hope everyone has given this initiative further thought, both for themselves and for the club. I originally suggested the idea in consideration of our senior members who do not drive at night. I understand that some no longer paint. 4 business meetings are still a requirement and if they do not attend those then the program would not be helpful for them. A thought is that those members may prefer an associate membership. For active members, accumulating points without a “reward” seems pointless (pardon the pun). Given the above, and the effort to administer the program, perhaps this is a program not needed at this time. Please forward your thoughts to myself, Tomi Hewer or Chris Lynch.

7. Committee Reports

A. Financial Report - Martin Sollanych (absent)

- Report to be sent separately. Christine Malone thanks Andrew Carroll on behalf of the club for his \$150 donation to the scholarship fund.

B. Social Media Communication

- **Facebook** - Teesa Christie (absent)
 - (Helen) Boost done in February with a rise in viewers; 2nd one mid-March.
- **Instagram** - Amy Siddaway (absent)
- **AFAA Webpage** - Mylene Dayrit-Kubicek (absent)

C. Outside Hanging Committee - Christine Malone

- No update.

D. Sunshine Committee - Christine Koenders (absent)

E. March Demo - Christine Malone

- Artist Lori Goldberg.

F. **Publicity** - Christine Malone

- Promo ads for the MWAG show are posted in advance of every Art Focus demo Saturday. These appear in social media, on the Port Coquitlam Community page, and PoCo Arts Council.
- Promo ads for the MWG Art Show are posted in advance of every Art Focus Demo Saturday. These ads appear on social media and are also posted on the Port Coquitlam Community page and PoCo Arts Council
- Publicity for our monthly demo will appear on Facebook, Instagram, AFAA website, City of Port Coquitlam website, The Artist's Journal, Port Coquitlam Community page, PoCo Arts Council page, PMAA and Coquitlam Artists members, and will be posted on our email list.

8. **New Business**

- **Vote on expenses requirement** - Martin Sollanych (absent)
 - Bring forward to a future meeting
- **Nominations for next year's executive** - Helen Ramsay
 - The process was explained that the current executive council is effective until the June meeting is adjourned, then nominations and votes are taken for the new council. Each year, all positions are open to be filled. **We seek a volunteer to chair this task; please step up for this very important role.**

Adjournment at 7:40 p.m. All in favour.