

Toledo Photo Arts

August 2008

Board Room Minutes

The August Board meeting of the Toledo Photo Arts Club was called to open by President Todd Grinonneau at 7:30 PM.

Present were Mr. Grinonneau, Vice President Tajinder Singh,

Secretary Wennie Anderson, Board Member Ben Anderson. Also present were TPA members Dean Hoard and Joe Pizzutto.

In his absence, Al Henderson sent a treasurers report. This can be viewed upon request from Mr. Henderson.

There are now 77 members, during the month one TPA club member did not rejoin. One new member joined this month.

Betty Houston had surgery on her eyes and is reporting a great improvement in her vision. This is great!

It was announced that we needed a presenter for the September meeting and Joe Pissuto agreed to present a program on forming a group of any interested TPA members who would like to meet once a month to critique each others work. Joe is also going to put just what is expected from this group in writing.

Photo 101: The need for a teacher was discussed for this class of 6 weeks. The person/persons who were going to handle this project declined because of miscommunications.

Wennie Anderson suggested that instead of one person taking on this project, up to 6 or more interested TPA members could share the class, each taking one night to teach a segment of the class. Perhaps this could be one area that the member had more

knowledge. The 6 or more members would meet and discuss which part of the program they would enjoy teaching and it would go from there. As we all have our way of presenting an idea/knowledge this would be a great and interesting way to offer this class. All attending the meeting agreed that this would work and one person would not be giving up 6 nights teaching. No reference to past teachers, but the students might enjoy different points of view and presentation.

It was also decided that because time was running out to have this class in September, we would hold it in January. This is a great time because of all the camera received as Christmas gifts and there not being a lot to do at this time of the year.

The Constitution & By-Laws . Our assignment from July was to go through the Constitution and By-Laws and bring up any article that we thought needed to be changed. Several items were sited and these changes will be brought before the general membership for a vote.

Darkroom Equipment Joe Pizzuto agreed to put the items that we are trying to weed out on Craig's List. A list of equipment and their prices are needed for him to do this.

If nothing sells or if there is left over items they will be offered to a School as a possible gift or small price through Steven Johnson.

Volunteer hours We still need at least 34 volunteer hours to the TBG in order to get the Conference Center during the Winter months. Some ideas were presented and will have to be asked if these might count towards this goal.

Still Looking for a small cube size refrigerator for our club house. Todd asked if this was something that we still needed. The discussion was that the Saturday group meetings would appreciate something cold to drink during their class times. Even though there has been a supply of soda and water, thanks to the Anderson's , it was noted that when offered there was not much interested, however most people don't care for hot pop or water. Wennie suggested she could look for a good deal on a refrigerator

and loan it or a hat could be passed to help pay for it and then it would belong to the club. She has seen deals for around 50-60 dollars. Any thoughts? Please direct your ideas or thought to Todd Grinonneau. president@toledophotoartsclub.com

Museum Assignment; Todd Grinonneau suggested that we do cover the criteria of the assignment "It's A Small World",

Again with the general membership. When it was presented by Museum Co-coordinator Jennifer Bandeen on August 7th, many were surprise at how wide range this subject could be.

A CD was sent to Wennie Anderson for a presentation to the Monroe Camera Club. This is the same Power Point presentation that Jennifer gave. Perhaps, this could be a reshow as part of a meeting in the future. Todd will put something on the web site concerning this subject matter.

Committees for PAC was discussed. A Photo contest committee will be formed soon.

A trip committee would be nice, emails could be sent to members when a good photographic event is going on with directions, dates and times. Carpooling to the event could also be included when possible.

Without a better name, a Spiffy Up committee would be great to keep the club house in neat & clean shape and the surrounding outdoor area of our building i.e. lights that need to be changed, weeds, signs repaired or replaced. Christmas and or holiday dressing.

Nomination committee to follow our constitution and by-law rules. If anyone has an idea for any other committee or if you would like to be on one or more of these committees please let Todd Know.

Locked Cabinet: For some reason or other, the key that opens the photography supply cabinet, just as you enter the back door, has been missing. It is normally kept in a little magnetic case on the bookcase. For a month now, no one can get into this cabinet. Maybe, you used it

and absence mindedly put it into you pocket. If you may know it's where about, please set it on the bookcase in clear sight or tell Todd. This would be a blessing as we would have to break into the cabinet otherwise. These things happen, so don't worry about returning it.

We will be grateful.

Financial Audit This is something that we should take care of ASAP please.

Membership Cards Many membership cards are still on the cabinet in the main room of the club house. Please look them over to see if yours is still there. We have just learned that Castle Photo will give us a 10% discount on small purchases when we present our card. This is in connection of the NWOCCC. Other businesses will be contacted also soon to see if they might also offer a discount.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Wennie Anderson at 8:50 PM and seconded by Todd Grinonneau.

Submitted by

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