

Grand Rapids Camera Club
Board Meeting
January 12, 2022

Members in Attendance: Christine Mooney, Evie Carrier, Greg Ferguson, James Zeman, Jan Lewis, Jeanne Quillan, Mike Bergeon, Richard Coombs, Russ Barneveld, Steve Port, Shealyn McGee Sarns and Della Landheer.

Meeting called to order by President Jan Lewis at 7:03 pm via Zoom.

Approval of Minutes: November 10, 2021 minutes approved as submitted.

Presidents Report: Jan Lewis

- Contract: We received a 10% rent discount from Grand Valley by making one payment for the entire year. If a meeting is cancelled one month in advance we get 50% of the fee back.
- Motion by James Zeman to accept the 2022 proposed budget, seconded by Richard Coombs. Passed unanimously.
- Election of officers are due soon.
- Shea will not be attending the Nov. 17 meeting. Jan will bring her camera and computer. She needs someone to handle Zoom check-ins or chats. Russ will fill in, Evie will bring her Mac for Russ and a portable mic. Competition slides will project better if plugged directly into projector. Shea will write up instructions for Mike on how to access club laptop. It's uncertain on how many will show up in person.

Treasure and Membership Reports: Christine Mooney

- Checking account balance is 8,106.57. Pay Pal account balance is 194.39 for a total of \$8,300.96.
- Members: 77 with 24 renewed memberships and 5 new members, 23 were removed due to inactivity. 3 unsubscribed. Jan will send a reminder about unpaid dues.
- A \$75 speaker fee contribution was made to GVA as per John Martin's (November '21 speaker) request.

VP Programs Report: Evie Carrier

- Evie suggested that it might be a good recruitment tool to keep the names of those removed from the membership rolls in a separate file for contact later. Members that were removed were marked as unsubscribed so their contact info is still available. Meeting notices could be sent to the secondary list which needs to be updated. Member list needs to be culled, Jan says volunteers are welcome.
- Upcoming programs:
 - January: Dianne Carroll Burdick, coloring photographs. Prints will be displayed, no food-hybrid.
 - February: EOY Awards
 - March: Dave Jackson-in person
 - April: Bert Sirkin-Zoom
 - May: Becky Humes -in person
 - June: Ron Wyatt, Olympics in China, sports photography-Zoom

VP Competition Report: Jeanne Quillan

- Images to be judged this week for Jan. competition. 5-6 people brought prints.
- Year End: Images to be sent to 3 outside judges by end of week. New method used by Jeanne to solicit entries was helpful to members, eliminated a lot of problems. Will be an award for best Assigned image that portrays most creativity and uniqueness.
- PSA update: scores were low this time.
- PSA is offering judging education session. Can be scheduled anytime, probably after year end.

- Point Certificates need to be announced and awarded at year end meeting. Also published in newsletter.
- Question on change in Landscape category. Clarification is on the website in the Membership Manual (under Competition) describing the difference between enhancements and manipulation.

Digital Coordinator: Shealyn McGee-Sarns

- Shea will be attending January 22 meeting by Zoom.
- Shea has EOY slides under control.
- Nothing new to report.

Lights and Shadows: Greg Ferguson

- Next Deadline for February issue is noon on Jan. 25th.

Editing Challenge Update: Steve Port and Russ Barneveld

- January meeting will be a Zoom session with an accumulation of Nov, Dec., and Jan. images, one week after regular membership meeting.
- Number of participants has dropped off, may be due to holidays.
- Trying to come up with new ideas for changes.
- No Editing Challenge in Feb.
- Need to communicate March challenge subject to newsletter for publication.

Workshops/Social Media Coordinator: Becky Humes and Russ Barneveld

- Becky leaving the Board, she will continue working with the web page.
- No workshops at this time.

Website Report: Jan Lewis

- Jan will renew domain name.
- COVID policy updated.

Old business:

- No old business.

New business:

- No new business.

Meeting adjourned by President Jan Lewis at 8:40.

Minutes submitted by Della Landheer, Secretary