

THE VANCOUVER LIFE DRAWING SOCIETY

Minutes Board of Director's Meeting

Friday, June 25, 2011

Meeting held at Campagnolo Restaurant - 1020 Main Street

Attendees:

Doug Smardon – President
Randal Cullen – Vice President
Melissa Delamar – Secretary
Jo-Ann Turford – Treasurer
Alain Boullard – Member at Large

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by the President; *held in Campagnolo Restaurant as the meeting was called on very short notice to accommodate the Vice President who was not available for the regularly scheduled meeting on June 27, 2011. Given the meeting could interfere with the Friday evening session it was decided to move it off studio premises.*

Old Business

Review of last month's minutes – The meeting minutes are accepted as read.

Financial Report was delivered by the Treasurer and accepted. The Society is in very good financial stead with over \$22,000 in the operating account and \$40,000 in term deposits. Interest on the Van City Term deposits still needs to be included in the statements (estimated at over \$3,000).

Peter Read Show

The board approves a \$650 Budget for Insurance, licensing, food, alcohol and advertising; see attached below. The President offered to look into having Adam at the Safari Café do the catering.

Insurance	\$135
Liquor license	\$ 25
Invitations	\$ 40
Wine and beer	\$150
Catered Food	\$200
Incidentals	\$ 50
Total	\$650

Volunteers will be needed for the show committee to help with advertising and set up the day of the show, scheduled for August 20, 2011. People interested in assisting with the show can contact our Special Events Coordinator Elizabeth Nichols or a member of the Board.

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ECC

As discussed previously, Basic Inquiry will not be participating in the East Side Cultural Crawl this year. The board will inform the Gallery Coordinator to book another show during that time.

New Business

Financial Report

The President made a motion to invest \$15,000 from Basic's operating account. The Treasurer had looked into debentures at Scotia Bank and RBC, with no success. The Vice President offered to investigate this further.

MPC

The Society was finally in receipt of monies owed from MPC in the amount of \$1,170 for their Monday evening rentals for the studio and models. Their accounts were in arrears for about a year. The board would like to see some sort of monthly pre-payment option going forward with MPC. The Treasurer will discuss with MPC and Quantum Accounting Services Ltd. and see what can be set up to facilitate easier management of the account.

Sessions & Schedule

The new Monday morning session seems to be going well. Our Member at Large reported an average of 12 people per session. As well the new Wednesday session appears to be doing very well. The President moved that Basic adopt these sessions permanently. The motion is approved, and it is decided we will go forward with these sessions. The board moved forward with having new flash and business cards made up with these new dates reflected on them.

Friday Morning

The Friday morning session manager is resigning. The board is now looking for someone to replace her. The Board wished to express on the behalf of the Society sincerest thanks to Anna-Maria Potamiti for all the time and energy she has given as a past member of the Board and session manager.

Attention all members: Basic Inquiry is currently looking for a new Friday Morning Session Manager. This volunteer will be expected to start ASAP. Anyone interested in being considered for this position please contact a member of the Board.

Members Shows

The motion to have 2 member shows per year is brought forward by the VP. The board supports the idea, and encourages member shows subject to the creation

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of a committee to run the show, as it tends to be a great deal of work. The committee would include a minimum of three volunteers.

Studio Maintenance

It is proposed that a committee be created to meet on occasion to maintain the studio. Maintenance committee members will be granted the same benefits as current volunteers.

Attention all members: Basic Inquiry is currently looking for volunteers interested in joining committees to help with the organizing members shows and maintenance of the studio. Anyone interested in being involved please contact a member of the Board.

New Easels

The board would like to have about 8-10 new easels made up. The Member at Large agrees to look into this further.

Other

The Member at Large who also books our models suggests that a training session for new models be started. The board agrees that it is a good idea.

Meeting at the Campagnolo Restaurant was very successful. The dinner bill with wine came to \$118 which was moved and passed that funds from the Society be used to pay the bill as a way to support the Board. The President is considering trying this again in an effort to make the Board meetings more enjoyable and attractive so more members want to participate.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.