

Minutes Board of Director's Meeting
Tuesday, December 7
Meeting held at
1011 Main Street, Vancouver

Attendees:

Doug Smardon – President
Randal Cullen – Vice President
Melissa Delamar – Secretary
Elizabeth Nichols – Member at large

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Doug Smardon, President.

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

Old Business

East Side Cultural Crawl

Business is slow for Basic in the ECC. Theories as to why include the move of the artists at 901 Main Street; less people are making out to Main Street, as it's not as convenient. As well, it has been brought to our attention that Basic Inquiry is not as visible to the passerby, and that parking may also be a part of the problem. Regardless, due to poor turn out, the future of Basic Inquiry in the East Side Cultural Crawl is in question. The board believes it is worth considering keeping the weekend drawing sessions open during the ECC in the future. The board will review at a later date.

Sculpting Course

Elizabeth Nichols is contemplating running a sculpting course in the New Year. The concept is on Monday evenings to run sculpture sessions three weeks in a row with the same model. This would not necessarily be an on going session but held periodically through the year with each series pre paid by attending artists. More on this to come...

Ingeborg's Painting

Ingeborg at the request of the Board has donated a painting she did in 2002 of Gerry Kelly, the founder of Basic Inquiry. It is oil on board and was hanging in her last show at the Gallery. A plaque is being added to the frame, and after a small discussion, the board has decided it will say the following:

“Portrait of Gerald Kelly”

Founder of Basic Inquiry

Donated by Ingeborg Raymer to the Vancouver Life Drawing Society
October, 2010

New Business

Volunteers

An updated volunteer list needs to be made. The council has discussed the option to give session managers free membership and sessions. The Chairman has made the motion, and after reviewing the recommendation, the motion was approved by the board. All full time volunteers now get free membership to the society, and free sessions. *Relief session managers are not full time and receive a session ticket for covering a session or three session tickets when covering for a holiday.*

It was decided as well that all volunteers be recommended to the board before beginning at Basic Inquiry. Upon approval of the board, the volunteer may start with the society.

All volunteers must be members of the Society.

Financial Report

Doug Janzen was not able to attend the meeting, but did send the Comparison Balance sheet and Comparative Income Statement for the board to review.

The Total sales revenues from 01/01/2010 to 31/10/2010 is \$62,175.37. The total expense comes to \$53,721.70. The NET INCOME to the end of October is \$8,453.67. The Board discussed the possibility of raising the modeling fees but tabled any decision until the year end financials are in.

Attention all members: Basic Inquiry is currently looking for a new treasurer. The treasurer would be expected to start ASAP. Anyone interested in being considered for this position please contact a member of the Board.

Other

Randal suggests the possibility of making the studio available during off hours to artists who may want to pay to use the space. The board agrees to discuss the matter at a later date, when perhaps more interest is shown.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.