BOARD MEETING MINUTES - THE VANCOUVER LIFE DRAWING SOCIETY

4 June 2024 / 6:00-8:00 PM / At the studio, 1011 Main St.

ATTENDEES:

Chair: Kevin Hartwig

Attending: Killian O'reilly, Lindsay Towns, Bryce Baril

Guests:

STANDING ITEMS:

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:00pm
- 2. Adoption of agenda: Adopted
- 3. **Financial report**: A comprehensive report is being prepared for the AGM; please see the AGM minutes for more details.
- 4. **Secretary's Report**: Killian created a call for entrants for the EastSide Culture Crawl in November, and we have 6 excellent artists interested in being the face of the gallery for the duration of the show.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Gallery report:

- a. We are currently hosting *The Digital Art Invasion*, a show dedicated to Basic's animators, digital illustrators, FX artists, game devs, and anyone who uses software to create art! The gallery will be open every Saturday through the month of June from 2-4pm. Artwork will be taken down July 1st.
- 2. (5 min) Progress report: Robostrar Replacement
 - a. Plan an online meeting date/time for the Robostrar Committee to compare Bookwhen and Mindbody and determine how to move forward.

- b. After helping plan and participating in Ron Bijok's *Extra Long Pose* session, Bryce brought up that the solution we ultimately go with should consider workshop integration.
- c. The next meeting will take place remotely, over Discord.
- 3. (20 min) Proposal for discussion, amendment, vote: AGM Planning
 - a. With the AGM fast approaching, a few final decisions needed to be made:
 - i. Nick has been asked to display a Robostrar notice banner
 - Sarah prepared a slideshow, and titled board members filled it out; it lists our accomplishments, ongoing projects, and a top-level view of our volunteer structure.
 - iii. Instead of one chair, each member has slides on the presentation that they are responsible for announcing.
 - b. Ron brought up that voting in specific titles of the board, as was done last year, was an exception. In the past, a pool of board members were elected and positions were figured out later, with some members holding two positions. Those present decided to let the membership choose the method at the AGM, but agreed that the voting order needed to be inverted to start with the President position first.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. (15 min) Proposal for discussion: Culture Crawl
 - a. Though it is far away for now, the Crawl requires that the studio be open to the public the entire weekend of the event (Thurs-Sun).
 - b. This event offers an opportunity to freshen up the studio for the public eye and Lindsay will plan a meet-up with the participating artists/ Sean regarding how and when to do tasks like the following:
 - i. Washing the front windows
 - ii. Sanding and painting the exterior window frames where paint is peeling
 - iii. Painting walls
 - iv. General arrangement of works by each artist, and AV equipment needed

- v. Offering a demo to the public with a clothed model for a few key hours on Sat/Sun and the possibility of instructor-led workshops
- vi. Marketing/advertising strategy

2. (5 min) Proposal for discussion: Communications Coordinator

- a. We have identified a need for someone to focus solely on membership correspondence, with their primary duty being to provide a monthly newsletter detailing upcoming events, workshops, and more.
- b. A job description for this position has been created and will be presented at the AGM. Are you interested in volunteering? Shoot us an email at secretary@lifedrawing.org!

3. (10 min) Proposal for discussion: Extra Long Pose

- a. Ron Bijok's *Extra Long Pose* session, a 6-8 session series of the same model and pose well suited for painters, was a huge success! Ron is interested in holding another one soon.
- b. There were concerns that it was advertised to the membership too briefly that we would like to iron out. If the demand calls for it, more sessions of this kind may be offered in the future.

NOTES:

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Kevin: Check in with Sean regarding purchasing/installing thin boards to divide some of the cubbies as previously discussed.
- 2. A mini board meeting has been arranged over Discord on Monday to rehearse the slideshow points.

With no further business to discuss, **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:30 pm