

BOARD MEETING MINUTES - THE VANCOUVER LIFE DRAWING SOCIETY

7 January 2025 / 6:00-8:00 PM / Discord Server

ATTENDEES:

Chair: Lindsay

Attending: Kevin, Bryce, Sarah, Killian, David, Lindsay

Guests:

STANDING ITEMS:

1. Meeting called to order: 6:08pm
2. Adoption of agenda: adopted
3. **Financial report (Bryce):** Finances about the same. Need to update board information for Stripe payment transfers. Jan 29th is the deadline to submit official documentation with all board members' names listed.
4. **Secretary's Report:**
 - a. Business licenses paid, have received one but still waiting about the other one.
Will follow up this month
 - b. Preparing for Volunteer Appreciation Party
 - c. Revising Code of Conduct

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Code of Conduct Revision Update (Sarah)**
 - a. Updated Code of Conduct up for vote at this month's meeting.
 - b. **VOTE: unanimous attending**
 - c. Code of Conduct should be posted in studio, on website, ask Nick to include in ticket purchases
2. **Ads at the Rio Theatre (Lindsay)**

- a. Lindsay has storyboarded a rough animatic of a 15-second ad for board review and feedback.
 - i. Kevin- Time lapse drawing for beginning
- b. Decide on a night to film empty studio with one “actor” and one model
- c. Friday morning/ Sunday evening best times for Killian
- d. Shoot for end of February due date

3. Volunteer Appreciation Night

- a. Proposed date: Feb 2nd 2025 7-9 pm.
- b. Theme: Famous Art/Artist with contest prizes for top 3
- c. Volunteer gifts: Opus gift cards (also asking for physical donation from them)
- d. Assign roles: Setup, Food, Beverages, Games, Music, Teardown
- e. Ask: Board members provide appetizers/dessert (assign)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Nicholas Tay Budget Proposal (Lindsay) - SEE EMAIL

- a. *Thanks so much for following up! I think I'd keep the same budget as Ron specified for a total of \$235 including the permit.*

Breakdown:

Wine \$150

Beer \$50

Permit \$35

2. Figure Drawing for Charity (Lindsay)- SEE EMAIL (TABLED)

- a. We were approached by David Levy of Cajole, a platform where people can accept challenges in order to earn money in the name of different great causes. Recently, Vancouver actor Matthew K. Anderson was challenged on the platform

to pose nude for an art class, netting \$2500 for Canuck Place Children's Hospice. With that campaign having been successful, Cajole is helping Matthew find a place to complete this challenge so Canuck Place can get their cash.

- b. Nick has responded to them and we are waiting to hear back. Some topics to consider:
 - i. Cajole wishes to film the event as proof of the challenge. Nudity will be censored for the final video.
 - ii. Any of our members must be notified clearly that the event will be filmed, and that it is not a normal session.
 - iii. Since we're not paying David for the challenge, could we encourage attendees to donate and up the ante on the amount for Canuck Place in lieu of admission? (And leave the collection to the Cajole team)
 - iv. What should attendance be capped at?
 - v. If/when Cajole gets back to us, who would like to create the poster for the event?
3. **Special Sessions with Veronika/Rebekah (Kevin)**
- a. Veronika has been organizing a shibari session. There were a number of interested members pushing for it. I decided the content was special enough to not have it at a normal session time.
 - b. Veronika has talked with Rebekah as the model and a shibari artist named Charles. They would like to do it in January (or perhaps early Feb now?)
 - c. Kevin volunteered in Discord to manage the special session and get in touch with Veronika and Nick to choose dates.
 - d. Find out model rate and rate of shibari artist, and any specifics regarding the session (anything dangerous or could cause injury?)

- e. Killian mentioned shibari sessions at other studios had an admission price of \$40-\$50 in order to break even- would need to be outside of Robostrar.
4. **Special Sessions with Ann (Kevin)**
- a. Model Ann is interested in doing a duo session with Guy or Marcel- Lindsay has replied asking for her availability.
 - b. She would also like to do a special session featuring her in flapper attire, which she has done at other life drawing studios to great effect. Props are highly encouraged for this one!
 - c. Let's leave a minimum of 2 weeks between advertising and the date of the session to ensure maximum signups

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52 pm