

BOARD MEETING AGENDA - THE VANCOUVER LIFE DRAWING SOCIETY

6 May 2025 / 6:00-8:00 PM / 1011 Main St

ATTENDEES:

Chair: Lindsay

Attending: Kevin, Bryce, Sarah, Killian (Remote), David (Remote)

Guests: Leo Goldberg

STANDING ITEMS:

1. Meeting called to order: 6:02 pm
2. Adoption of agenda: adopted
3. **Financial report (Bryce):**
 - a. Additional expenses from more events, including Volunteer party, gallery shows.
 - b. Bryce may need to increase bank allowance to cushion between payouts to models/from Stripe
 - c. Correctly file 2024 tax statement for charitable registration
4. **Secretary's Report:**
 - a. Cheree has returned to creating the weekly Instagram posts again. Lindsay delegated the AGM poster to her and she delivered.
 - b. AGM preparation
5. **Gallery Report:**
 - a. *Lightbearer: The Billy Marchenski Show* is in full swing until the end of May. The gallery opening was held Apr 19th.
 - b. Alain has ideas for upcoming shows throughout the Summer, including a sketchbook show!

OLD BUSINESS

1. Ads at the Rio Theatre (Lindsay)

- a. Kevin, Lindsay, and Killian filmed some shots for this on March 23rd.
- b. We may need to film one more shot due to poor lighting.
- c. Lindsay has finished the motion graphics, so the film and paying the Rio's screening fee are the remaining steps.

2. Website (Sarah)

- a. Nick points out that we may not use the website to its full potential
 - i. Lindsay thinks that we have two choices- prioritize new users as a informational page (introduction to Basic) or prioritize existing members (shows, calendar, Robostrar links)
 - ii. Bryce ponders a low pri item of adding resources for general life drawing (how to become a model, art resources) for lifedrawing.org since it's such a centralized domain name. Kevin agrees and adds that he'd like to see art-related events on a tab or feed.
 - iii. We need to remember to poke Sarah when new gallery openings occur so she can update the front page with the corresponding poster

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Portrait Session Proposal (Leo)

- a. Leo Goldberg has proposed a new weekly session type specially designed for portrait artists. The model will be clothed and the seating will be limited to provide prime viewing angles.
- b. Part of Leo's proposal is that since the models are clothed, it opens opportunities for new models who otherwise may not have posed; we will need to work with Nick to make sure the two pools of models (clothed and nude) are separate if required.
- c. Killian points out that a low-performing Regular session may need to be removed to make room for this new session so we're not stretched thin

VOTE: 5 in favor.

2. AGM Planning (Lindsay)

- a. The next Annual General Meeting will be **May 24th from 2-4pm** at the studio.
 - i. Posters and an email blast have been deployed as of Apr 22nd.
 - ii. Nick and Ron will not be in attendance; can we provide a way for them to vote remotely or in advance?
 - iii. Sarah- dust off Powerpoint from last year and update information
 - iv. Nick has requested that attendees' names be typed out as they arrive, to streamline the complementary ticket process.
 - v. Delegate who will pick up snacks/drinks. Worth bothering with alcohol?
 - vi. Kevin- set up projector and make sure we have all cables/passwords needed
 - vii. We will let members vote on specific board positions, as we asked membership last year and this was what they preferred.
 - viii. **If we need any attendance/ other data from Nick, we must request it no later than the 17th**

3. Door Locks

Ron's session was disturbed by someone coming in off the street. His suggestion, in summary: *There are security concerns during sessions due to people wandering in and a past incident of someone getting locked in. Suggestions include replacing the front door lock so it's always locked from the outside, with the session manager controlling entry, and replacing the rear door deadlock with a thumb turn to prevent lock-ins.*

1. Christian replied suggesting that he simply pull the gate closed, which, while not foolproof, does deter people from entering.
2. ***5 members vote against changing lock system***

4. Backup Cleaner

1. Propose finding another cleaner to back up Will

Notes:

- Killian requests that any clothed models not use outdoor shoes on the platform, or use a cloth on the platform

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45 pm