

Photography Club of Sun City Hilton Head Staff Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2018

Attendees: Executive Board members President Gracene Peluso, Vice President Bruce Rosenthal, Secretary Patricia Bellantonio, Treasurer Charlie Finn, Director of Education John Burrack, and Past President Bill McKinnery. Committee Chairs and others: John Burrack, Rich de Asla, Tom Rhyne, Sophia Schade, Marty Shimp, Chuck Thomas, Tom Mills, Nancy Hoff, John Rhyan, Marge Pangione, Corky Burt and Paula Smith. The following chairpersons did not attend: Jim Wilson and Pat Roche.

Opening: President Gracene Peluso called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM and warmly welcomed all staff members.

Minutes: There being no corrections offered, the minutes of the March 7, 2018 staff meeting were approved and posted on the club website.

Treasurer Charlie Finn presented the annual March 1, 2018 thru March 31, 2018 financial report. Opening balance of \$5,111, income of \$1,405, total expenses of \$1,114, leaving balance as of 3/31/18 of \$5,403.

Financial Report: There being no corrections offered, the Financial Report was approved and posted on the club website.

PCHHSC Banking Summary				
3/1/2018 through 3/31/2018				
Opening Balance 3/1/2018	\$5,111			
	\$8,714.70			
INCOME				
Classes Income	\$426			
Matting & Framing Income	\$91			
Memberships Dues Income	\$560			
Photo Printing Income	\$329			
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,405			

EXPENSES			
Badges	\$38		
Charity: Maritime Center	\$200		
Meals & Entertainment	\$69		
Refund: Overpaid Dues	\$20		
Speaker and Judge Expenses Reimbursement	\$350		
Studio Equipment	\$354		
Studio Supplies: Library Supplies	\$31		
Studio Supplies: Misc.	\$10		
Utilities: Telephone	\$42		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,114		
Change	\$291		
Closing Balance 3/31/2018	\$5,401.03		
Signed:			
	Charles Finn		
	Treasurer		

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Competition Chair Tom Mills advised that a reminder email was sent out for the Tri Club Competition set for May 3, 2018. The Creativity sessions have been helpful to all contributing their photos and two more will be offered before the competition. On April 20, 2018, there will be a special help session available from 1-4 pm for members who need help with their photos. Corky Burt, Rich deAsla and Gracene Peluso will attend.

Discussion held about a member's dissatisfaction that professional photographers are

submitting their work for Tri Club and it is an unfair advantage. It was decided that the 3 clubs should discuss this and make a decision for next year's competition.

Education Director John Burrack presented the following report:

Title: Orientation to PCSC 2018-04-04 PCSC Staff Meeting

Education Committee Report

John Burrack, 2018 Education Director

Winter Schedule of Classes -Final, Jan. 15 – March 16

- 21 Classes, 16 sold-out, 156 seats sold out of 169
- 82 Students
- Gross Sales \$785, Net expected Receipts \$415.51

Spring Schedule of Classes, March 19 - May 31

- 23 Classes, 11 sold-out, 112 seats of 174
- Plan to add 1 or 2 "Orientation to PCSC" free sessions.

Education "Thank You" event will be April 12. Invitations will go out to Education Committee, teachers and Class Assistants who conducted classes during 2017 Summer Sharing, Fall-1 and Fall-2 schedules as well as 2018 Winter & Spring Schedules. Current plans are for a Lunch Meeting at Truffles.

Orientation to PCSC. Proposal: Add 1 or 2 new Free sessions to the Eventbrite Spring Schedule highlighting all the offerings of the Club. I'd like 2-3 additional members of the Board and Staff to join Chuck and myself as presenters and to help answer questions from the attendees. Committees needing volunteers or staff replenishment should consider participating each time the session is offered. Conceptually this would be offered in the Studio to 18 - 20 members at

- Description: The Photography Club presents many faces and opportunities to the membership. In this session the Education Director, Website Coordinator and a few members of the Club's Staff and Board will open the doors for your full participation in Club Activities. In addition to Education and the Website we will discuss Studio Monitoring, User Groups, Equipment certification, Field Trips Committee, Intramural/Extramural gallery opportunities to share your photos, Monthly Meetings, Programs committee, Competitions Committee and MORE. In and with all this information will be numerous opportunities for you to be one of our "Friends Helping Friends" in areas of interest to you.
- Offering Frequency: Once in each of the 4 class schedules (Fall !, Fall 2, Winter & Spring)

Extramural Exhibits Director Jim Wilson did not attend

Field Trips Director Pat Roche did not attend but provided the following information:

Field Trips

We had 8 people on the "Bridges" trip in March. We did really well staying together, over a vast area, via cell phones.

We are planning a trip to the Alligator Farm in St.Augustine, with Rich Matheny as leader, on April 26-27. A SAVE THE DATE email went out, to be followed by a sign up and more details, as we get a little closer.

Also in the planning stages are a trip to the Bonaventure Cemetery or local cemeteries in April, TBD and we may also do a auto tour of the Ace Basin in the month of April or May, TBD.

Probably in June, we will do a "The Bluffton You Have Not Seen" trip.

Intramural Exhibits/Studio Calendar Director Nancy Hoff advised that all is good. She would like to replace the current photos in our room. Sophia Schade suggested hanging all the Tri Club entries. The Club Calendar is up to date with the help of Dorothy Knudsen, who is doing a great job.

Membership-Mentoring Director Tom Lehrer did not attend but John Rhyan advised that as of 3/3/18 we have 402 members, of which 116 are new.

Photo Service Director Rich de Asla advised that there were a few requests for photo services. He provided Gracene a list of all passwords for equipment in the Photo Club.

Program Chair Tom Rhyne advised that all was good. Bob Kampwirth reports that 24 images have been submitted this afternoon (13 #1 images and 11 #2 images). Although he projects that interest may increase as we get nearer the Friday deadline, he suggested that I send another reminder to the membership that the deadline is approaching.

Three people have contacted me with requests for information, and so far one person asked for assistance in resizing his images before submitting them.

Public Relation/Communications Director Sophia Schade advised that SunSations printed the article about our club and extended big thanks to Pat Roche for her help in writing it. The *Island Packet* sent her an email stating that they want news of thing that are to take place instead of having taken place. The *Bluffton Sun* will continue to give us exposure. She also suggested that we post more photos and events to our Facebook page so other members can see what is happening and hopefully get more involved.

Librarian Marge Pangione advised that all is good.

Studio Manager Corky Burt advised that inventory is good and made a suggestion that members check the printer to see if anything is in the "queue" (print jobs that are waiting to be printed) Most times, it is from the person previously using the machine and not knowing their photos have not printed completely.

Studio Matting Coordinator Paula Smith advised that she has the plug for the timer for the dry mount machine. Supplies are good.

Studio Monitor Assignment Leader Marty Shimp advised that at times it is hard to get monitors but all is good.

Webmaster Director Chuck Thomas advised that all is good. He will be adding the Facebook link to our webpage.

OLD BUSINESS

Note to new members on ISLC - when new members join, they will immediately receive a welcome email. Gracene sent a big THANK YOU to Tom Lehrer.

Field Trip Coordinator position - Pat Roche sent the following email to our members:

After 10 + years as Field Trip Coordinator, I plan to retire at the end of August. The program needs new blood and fresh ideas.

Since the program has grown over the years, from an occasional trip to mostly two a month and from day trips to sometimes 3 day trips, the structure will change.

The new Field Trip Committee will consist of members who have an interest in photo ops and are willing to give input into the planning and lead at least one trip a year. If the group is large enough, you might not have to lead a group for more than a year.

If you have an interest in being part of this committee, please let me know by the end of the day, Sunday, March 18. I would like to plan a meeting for interested parties in the near future.

This is a fun job and a great way to meet other members with like interests. You are guaranteed to be with others who have the patience to wait for the "perfect" shot that you won't find with non-photographers. Also, you will see "friends helping friends" at its finest. Take a look at our Field Trip web site and see the potential and sign up by Sunday night. https://schhphotographyfieldtrips.shutterfly.com/ Pat Roche

New Club Brochure - Bruce Rosenthal passed a sample of our new brochure-he is still working on it and asked for more photos. He should have it completed within 30 days.

Newsletter - will be sending out after Tri Club with information on upcoming SIG meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

Food for Tri Club - Motion was made and approved to spend \$250 for food and drinks

Dual Signatures on checks \$500 or more - Charlie Finn announced that we now have a club debit card that can be used to pay invoices, subscriptions, etc. To prevent any abuse, two (2) signatures will be required to pay invoices using the debit card.

Thanking Monitors - Motion was made and approved to buy \$100 worth of restaurant gift cards to be raffled at the May General Membership meeting.

Telephone in studio - Charlie Finn researched previous telephone bills and asked if Lifestyles was to pay the bills and not our club. Bruce Rosenthal asked Lifestyles and they are researching and will advise Bruce. The telephone is required in all club rooms in case of emergencies. Charlie Finn provided the following list of charges for the telephone:

Annual Hargray Cost			
Date	Payee	Amount	
2010	Hargray	\$482.00	
2011	Hargray	\$418.00	
2012	Hargray	\$452.06	
2013	Hargray	\$465.19	
2014	Hargray	\$485.72	
2015	Hargray	\$501.76	
2016	Hargray	\$505.68	
2017	Hargray	\$501.02	
2018	Hargray	\$126.56	
	Total	\$3,937.99	
	Average	\$477.33	

PSA Journal - Marge Pangione advised that we are part of PSA (Photographic Society of America) and we could enter competitions (between North Carolina & South Carolina), do outreach programs with local communities, etc. She provided website information for the board to research.

Nature Tours - Paula Smith announced that the golf courses are offering Nature Tours. On June 7th, tour will be at Hidden Cypress, 6 and 6:30 pm. Limited to 20 people, (5 golf carts-you must have your own). She will make an announcement at the General Meeting. Freddie Hoffman and Marge Pangione will handle the sign up sheets.

Adjournment: 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Bellantonio, Secretary

"When words become unclear, I shall focus with photographs. When images become inadequate, I shall be content with silence." Ansel Adams