

Photography Club of Sun City Hilton Head Executive Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2022—7:00 p.m. (Held on Zoom)

In Attendance: President Jim Smith, Past President John Burrack, Vice President Stan Holz, Treasurer Everett Denning, Secretary Barbara Reeves, Education Chair Dale Methven

Jim began the meeting by thanking John Burrack for his great job in keeping the Photography Club going through the pandemic. He presented a plaque to John in testimony to his hard work and dedication on behalf of the Club.

For future meetings, Jim proposed that the Board meet in combination with the leaders of the Club subcommittees every two months in order to facilitate communication. Other meetings of the Board would be scheduled as needed.

Old Business

Minutes

Minutes from the last Board meeting were presented.

Dale moved to approve the minutes and Stan seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

Everett Denning presented the cash on hand in the Club account: \$15,470. He and John will visit the bank in order to transfer him as the new Treasurer and Jim as the new President on the account.

Education Report

Dale presented a summary of the Education Report (Full Report Attached). The User Guide for Winter classes will be sent out in the next few days. There are 23 courses, many with multiple sessions, 3 new teachers, and 5 new classes.

Next Monday there will be an Education Committee meeting to plan for 2022.

Dale moved and Stan seconded a motion to charge a one-time fee of \$7.50 per registration except for the Travelogues, which would remain free. After some discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

2022 Program Meetings

Discussion focused on whether to still maintain future meetings in Zoom, given the recent trends in the pandemic. After discussion, John moved and Everett seconded that all Program meetings remain in Zoom through May of 2022 and all competitions remain digital through May as well. The motion was approved unanimously. Future meetings and competitions will be decided at a later time.

Bylaws Update

It was proposed that a committee be established to identify changes that need to be made in the current Bylaws and suggest a set of revisions to present to the Board. John volunteered to chair this committee and proposed George Neuman and Gracene Peluso as possible committee members. Jim will follow up with these members and ask if they would be willing to serve.

Creative Vision Update

John reported that the event is still scheduled to proceed as planned. This year there will be a few less pairs (49) and more space to allow for more distance between attendees.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoom Coordinator

Barbara Reeves will be meeting with Diane Brayden to take over this responsibility for Education. John Burrack will do all other non-education Zoom needs for the Club.

Volunteer Awards

Jim proposed giving gift cards for 68 identified volunteers for their service to the Club. Dale moved and John seconded that a volunteer with up to 3 activities receive a \$25 Amazon card, and volunteers with over 3 activities receive a \$50 Amazon gift card. After some discussion, the motion was approved unanimously. Jim will follow up and work out logistics.

<u>Tri-Club</u>

After some discussion, Dale proposed and John seconded a motion to ask the Competition Committee to investigate whether we should rejoin Tri-Club this year and give their recommendation to the Board. The motion passed unanimously. Jim will follow up with the Competition Committee.

<u>Studio</u>

Discussion about use of the Studio was tabled for the next meeting of the Board and leaders of the subcommittees.

Stan moved and Dale seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Reeves, Secretary

Education Committee Report January 5, 2022 Dale Methven

Education Committee

Winter Session Classes:

- 23 courses, 33 sessions
- 3 new teachers
- 5 new classes
- Email User Guide to members Jan 6
- Registration Jan 10 @ 4 pm
- Education Committee Meeting Jan 10

Curriculum Committee

We have been working on some new, exciting ways for Club members to explore artistic opportunities in 2022. These offerings will extend photographic skills in addition to the technical aspects of photography currently offered. The focus will be more on creative expression than technical skill. We understand that this is not for everyone and is not intended to replace existing courses. We hope to:

- expand the ability to see with new perspectives, stretching the imagination and developing a personal vision.
- capture the ordinary and usual in extraordinary ways.
- make images more impactful, interesting and express feelings.
- excite the viewer to explore how the photographer accomplished their vision.
- increase awareness of color, lines, composition, and light.

Suggestions for ongoing courses to be developed:

- Art of Seeing
- Iconic photographers: Diane Arbus, Sally Mann, Ansel Adams, Henri Cartier Bresson, and Sebastiao Salgado
- Guided discussion format with review or critiques of images
- Explore genres conducive to art: B&W, minimalism, high key, street

Guided Photo Walks

With the diversity of Sun City and local events and attractions, we recommended organizing some opportunities for members to easily gather and shoot together. Members will be encouraged to share their expertise with other members and share their images.

Next Steps:

Formulate list of possible instructors