

Photography West Board Meeting
December 4, 2017

Board Members Present:

President: Patricia Casey
Treasurer: Bernardine Ginsberg
VP of Education: Tom Williams
VP of Operations: Greg Swinney
Secretary: Ron Appelbaum
President Ex-officio: John Obradovitch

Absent:

Member at Large: Gerry Rosen

Guests:

Bob West
Carolyn Lange
John Frelich

The President called the meeting to order at 3:30.

November minutes were approved as submitted and as posted on the website.

Social Committee: The next event will be a Brunch on January 21st at 11:00 A.M. at the Briarwood Country Club,

Financial Report: As of 11:00 A.M. this morning, \$12,734.08 in checking and \$10,385.57 for a total of \$23,119.65.

Membership Report: Just over 50% have paid their dues for the next year.

Operations: Leaning towards the Samsung 800 TV for lower cost. (See New Business below)

Education Committee: Had a meeting of the Master level photographers. A summary of the meeting will be put in the next edition of the Focus. Carolyn is consistently adding programs. The next edition of the Flash will be going out Monday.

New Member Ambassador Committee: There have been 7 or 8 new members since the last meeting. We should have a new member orientation in January.

Old Business:

By-Law Revisions: See attached proposed changes. With respect to the amendment to Frequency of meetings, add the following at the end: "Electronic meetings will be so noted in the written minutes." The Board voted 5-0 to approve the proposed changes. Patricia will meet with the Rec Center about the changes prior to the next Board Meeting.

New Business:

COMPUTERS: Rethinking the computer program for 2018: Patricia proposed that we not purchase another dual boot computer next year. Continue to use the 3 dual boot computers for the students who use Macs. We currently have one instructor who uses a Mac computer and brings his own laptop for his classes. The old instructor's computer would be used solely for judging with its own password. We would buy a new instructor's PC and two new student PCs and all software that would go with it. With the cost savings we may be able to purchase the Samsung 900 television. John indicated that the existing computers don't have enough computing power for Elements. Bob West disagreed. The Tech Committee will check on pricing and information for the newly proposed program. Cost analysis with updated direction will be presented to the Board via email from the Tech Committee. The Board will make a decision at the next meeting, then present the package to the membership for voting.

SCW ANNIVERSARY: February 19th 40th Anniversary Parade: Greg was given the application for the February 19th event. Bernie gave him a check for the fee of \$25.00.

2018 PRINT COMPETITION VENUE: Patricia said that nothing is available for the print competition from the Rec Center. The Foundation Building has a room for \$180, plus additional charges for cleanup and coffee. The Church is charging \$150. Beth will be asked to book the Church.

John Obradovich was thanked for his past presidency and for his ex-officio position on the Board. John will be chairing the Happy Camp event in 2018 in addition to his continuing teaching Elements.

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 15th at 3:30 p.m. in the Club Room

The meeting was adjourned at 4:22.

Submitted by:



Ron Appelbaum, Secretary

Proposed change to Photography West Bylaws

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

SECTION B

- 1. (no change)**
- 2. Participation**
 - a. In order to use any of the Club's equipment, take a workshop, participate in Club competitions or sell in the Village Store and the Arts & Crafts Fair it SHALL be required to monitor one time per year.**
 - b. In order to present a long or short program at Friday Meetings it Shall be required to "give back to the Club"**
 - c. "Give Back to the Club" is defined as monitoring, chair or assist a committee, teach a workshop or give a Solo Show**

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

SECTION A Frequency of meetings:

- 1. (no change)**
- 2. (no change)**
- 3. The board and its standing committees may hold meetings using electronic means such as the Internet or telephone. Such meetings must provide conditions of opportunity for simultaneous aural communication among all participant members equivalent to those of a normal meeting. Electronic meetings will be so noted in the written minutes.**

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