

VIVA Board Meeting Minutes - January 11, 2022

Board Members present : Marla Smith, Chris Beck, Marc Pease, Lin Holley, Annette Messitt, Lynn McClain, Pamela Wykard and Tour Coordinator Sy Novak were in attendance.

Financial Report from Treasurer Chris Beck: Bank Balance of \$13,119. We had end of year donations from several Board Members and island residents. New memberships (about 80) are still coming in and 107 members have re-joined.

In an attempt to stay viable, VIVA has voted to raise membership fees in 2022 to \$20 from \$10.

It was voted to include a \$15 application fee for the June Member show.

Board Minutes will include: There can be a Hardship Exception as several board Members have offered to "Angel" the costs.

Scholarships: Our intention is to give two \$1000 scholarships to Vashon High School Graduates in 2022. Chris is talking to a potential donor in hopes of funding this in lieu of the funds usually raised during Studio Tours. Further discussion of funding is on hold.

The New Show: After lengthy discussion about logistics and the need for show installation volunteers and docents, the realization that the pandemic has caused unease and questions enough to lead to the postponement of this large show until, hopefully, later this year. Chris will speak with O Space regarding the change. September is a possible time with O-Space.

Spring Studio Tour: The newsletter dated Jan 20th will ask members if they plan to participate in the Studio Tour, and why or why not. Answers to the question are due back to Sy by January 25th. Also, a mail-chimp message will go out to our 'big list' as well to catch more possible participants. Decisions concerning implementation of Tour will be discussed at a SPECIAL MEETING to be held on February 1st. there need to be 22 studios participating to make a tour viable.

New Board Members: .Board members will be contacting a few members in regard to becoming Board Members or volunteers

Board Minutes will include: Marc will contact Leonard Yen, Lynn will contact Vladimir Luna, Marla will contact Jean Echiveria and Terry Donnelly.

Members serving as Volunteers will be a focus as we move forward to this year with VIVA Projects including New Show, VIVA Members Show, Scholarships, Strawberry Festival Booth, and Studio Tours.

Margaret Smith will continue to curate the VCA Gallery Shop. (Thank You!)

A new VIVA member has expressed interest in showing Vashon Artist's work in a gallery she is developing in Texas. Something to look forward to.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn McClain

