

## WISCONSIN AREA CAMERA CLUBS ORGANIZATION

### February 2, 2019, Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9am at Waukesha State Bank Brookfield

12 delegates and officers were present and 2 proxy votes were received, representing 13 clubs, meeting the quorum requirements.

The minutes of the November meeting were presented. The motion for approval was moved by Geri Laehn, seconded by Kathy Braun. Approved.

**President's Report – Elizabeth Whitcomb** – No report.

**Vice president's Report – Mary Dumont** – No report

**Secretary's Report – Ken Warning** – No report

**Treasurer's Report – Jeff Klug, for Ramona Lenger**

- The ending balance of General Associated Bank is \$7753.35, PayPal Associated Bank \$1081.00, and PayPal Account \$6534.25 for a total balance of \$15368.60.
- There were receipts of \$4955.00 from competition and programs and Disbursements of \$1107.22 for website administration, competition, insurance and programs.
- A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Kathy Braun, seconded by Geri Laehn, and approved.

**Executive Committee – Elizabeth Whitcomb** – We need help with competitions so Jeff and Ken can step down

**Competition Committee – Elizabeth Whitcomb**

- Elizabeth will update the list of Host Clubs and Categories, extending them out further
- Menomonee Falls is the Host Club for the May, 2019 competition
- Special categories are *Flowers (Nature)* along with *Urbanscapes (Open)*.
- Future competitions:
  - Fall 2019 – Retzer. Nature category - Animals; Open – Tabletop/Still Life
  - Spring 2020 – TBD. Nature category – Insects, Reptiles & Amphibians; Open – Photojournalism/Sports
  - Fall 2020 – TBD. Nature – Natural Landscapes; Open – Weather
- 2018-19 Print Circuit - Winners announced at May meeting, with prints returned at the meeting.

**Program Committee – Jeff Klug**

- The Colleen Miniuk-Sperry presentation currently has 118 people registered. We need 125 to break even. The workshop (20 people) sold out very quickly. The price of the seminar will increase to \$69 on 02/05 so encourage your club members to sign up before then.
- Future seminar presenters to look at: Ann Belmont, Steve Perry
- A photo outing to Chicago is being planned but the only date Chris Smith from Out of Chicago is available is September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019. After discussion it was decided to move ahead with the outing on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Details are still being worked out and will be made available at a later date but tentatively are meeting at a park & ride at noon. The trip will be open to 45-50 people.

**Website – Jeff Klug**

- The website has been getting a good amount of hits, traffic picks up when there is an event reminder.
- Updated club information should be sent to Phyllis.
- Clubs are encouraged to use the WACCO site for their club's site. Any pictures or information should be sent to Phyllis.
- We will be adding a notice to the website informing users that we use cookies and they will have to hit OK to accept the notice.

**Membership Committee – Gerry Emmerich** – No report

### **Exhibition Committee – Mary Dumont**

- We will continue to look for other venues for exhibitions. We will look for venues where smaller images are acceptable.

### **PSA – Brian Luttamus**

- The PSA website competition is open to all clubs. It's a good way to get your website scored as well as get comments on where the website is weak, where it's strong, and how to make things better.
- The next PSA meeting is March 17th at Waukesha State Bank Oconomowoc. The presenter will be Emma England from Out of Chicago presenting on Nature and Birds.

### **Nominating Committee – Kathy Braun**

- The current officers have agreed to serve another 2 years.
- Voting will take place at the May meeting

### **Awards Committee – Bill Rietz**

- There were not any applications.
- The awards and criteria were reviewed

### **Old Business**

- The projector screen is gone and all the easels have been thrown out
- Elizabeth will talk to Ken in pursuing a storage facility

### **New Business**

- We would like to move our insurance to State Farm. The cost is \$15/year more than current but it also covers personal property. The current insurance will end 03/18 and at that time we would move to State Farm.
- A motion was made by Geri Laehn and seconded by Kathy Braun to accept the move to State Farm for insurance.
- Horicon Marsh is looking for individuals to put on an introduction to wildlife and/or landscape photography. They would like to have a photographer come and host a workshop at the Horicon Education & Visitor Center. If interested, contact Elizabeth for more information

A motion to close the meeting was made by Geri Laehn and seconded by Kathy Braun. Approved at 9:55 am.

***Next meeting will be on May 4<sup>th</sup> at Waukesha State Bank Oconomowoc at 9am with competition to follow.***