

Monterey Bay Metal Arts Guild Meeting

March 4, 2019 ,

Attendance:

The meeting was called to order by Pat Evans at 7 pm.

Board Members: Pat Evans, Margie Moran, Ron Baldwin, Jim Turner, Susan Shallenberger

Members: Toni Danzig, Annette Nemes

Elizabeth Foster has resigned. Taking her seat on the Board will be Kelly Stanley.

Jenna Caron has taken a leave of absence from the Board. Pat will contact Pete to discuss his membership on the Board.

Membership:

Ron reported that 104 paid members are now part of MBMAG. Ron attributed Albion Smith's classes for the uptick in memberships, and Pat believes that the computer program Membership Works helped also.

Treasurers Report:

Jim will be talking to Julie Packer about transferring responsibility of the bank account to him. Susan gave copies to Jim and Pat of the notes that stated that Jim is the current Treasurer of MBMAG. They needed the copies for use at the bank (Santa Cruz County Bank, River Street, Santa Cruz, CA).

Shows and Exhibits:

Toni discussed the need to have a meeting soon with the Santa Cruz Art League to discuss the upcoming show with the Watercolor League. Pat handed out copies of their contract and gave a signed copy to Toni to take to the meeting at SCAL. Toni talked about paying approximately \$350 each way (\$700 total), to move the cases, etc., from the storage facility to the SCAL before the show. It was suggested that the theme of the show be "Fire and Water". We considered having the participation fee limited to \$40.00, for displaying three pieces each at the show. Margie will drop off the check to the SCAL. Annette suggested we choose a date to begin sending out information to the membership. There will be a group of people helping to set up the displays before the show opens.

Toni discussed the ongoing Haute Enchilada gift shop displays, and Annette Nemes will show her jewelry there in April and May. Six members at a time can participate, showing up to 10 pieces each. You must bring your own display materials. Cost for the MBMAG is \$20 for the two months.

Events will include Janet Marcos a former seller of high end jewelry, speaking on marketing in March. Andy Cooperman and Gina Westerman are speaking in April.

Workshops:

Albion Smith's ring making workshops sold out for March. Another workshop with Albion is planned for June 1 and 2, but not yet advertised.

Ron said he would look in to a possible future workshop with Jerry Blanchard for MBMAG.

Pablo Cabangbang will be asked if he would like to do a workshop utilizing the flex shaft in various uses.

Susan will write to Joe Silveira and see if there is a possibility for a collaborative class between MBMAG and his studio in Berkeley.

Ron suggested Susan Kingsley might be interested in doing a class using the Hydraulic Press in the fall.

Other business:

Storage Unit cost is rising, and it was discussed about how to proceed with the issue of storing the cases, etc. Toni said she would talk to Angela Gleason about a possible cheaper alternative at the Tannery.

We discussed promoting the MBMAG chain more in the future. We could have new contests for adding links and display it more prominently at meetings and at the SCAL Show.

Toni said that Lynn Guenther would like to use the MBMAG tool box for Make a Bracelet in her upcoming silversmith instruction of Native American gifted children in South Dakota in late April. All agreed that this would be a great use of the equipment and serve a community need. We are hoping she will present a slide show and speak about her experiences when she returns to Santa Cruz.

Susan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm. Jim seconded the motion, all agreed.

The next meeting of the Monterey Bay Metal Arts Guild will be held on April 22, 2019, Creator Haven in Watsonville, CA.