

## Minutes

### NW Decorative Artists General Meeting Minutes

Date: January: 20, 2024

Start Time: 10:19AM

**Quorum:** Yes

**Attendance:** 2024 Board Members: Nancy Welch, President, Karla Linder, Vice President, Liz Carlson, Recording Secretary, Dawn Cutler, Financial Secretary, Ann Clardy, Cheryl Smith, Membership Assistant, Susan Treiber, Past President and Treasurer, and Kim Falk Financial Agent.

**Others in Attendance:** Janie Sevela, Sandy De Angelo, Sherill Martins, Mary Ellerman, Lucille Rhodes, Judy Fischer, Linda Camp, Stephanie Tebrink, Joy Halladay, Rose Frank.

**November 2023 Meeting Minutes:** The Minutes will stand as distributed.

**Financial Report:**(Susan Treiber)

We have three Treasurer reports today that were emailed to Members prior to the Meeting for review: Proposed Budget for 2024, Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023, and the Profit and Loss as of 12/31/2024.

- 1) **Proposed Budget:** There was a brief discussion and explanation of several items in the Proposed Budget, resulting in changes to lines within the Proposed Budget. These changes will be made, and a revised version of the 2014 Proposed Budget will be published in the next newsletter.

**Motion** to Accept the 2024 Proposed Budget as corrected: Nancy Welch and  
Seconded by: Kim Falk.

All in Favor: Everyone raised their hand. None Opposed. Motion Passed.

- 2) Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023
- 3) Proffit and Loss as of 12/31/2023

**Motion** to Accept the Balance Sheet as of 12/31/2023 and Profit and Loss as of 12/31/2023 as distributed: Joy Halladay and Seconded by: Karen Schaeffert.

All in Favor: Everyone raised their hand. None Opposed. Motion Passed.

**Other Items of Interest Discussed During the Financial Reports:**

Susan and Liz have been looking into places where we could hold our General Meeting locally in-person and via Zoom. There is a line added to the Proposed Budget for Liability Insurance per Monica's estimate, even though so far none of the places we looked at require us to carry the insurance.

Joy asked if we still have any CDs – not at this time. Kim will investigate the possibility if this would be a good opportunity for us.

The place in Bellevue Liz looked at will give us a discount for room rent only portion of the cost if we provide proof of our 501C status. Kim and Susan said that our Attorney who is still handling our 501C status with the IRS for us is not fully paid yet because the IRS is behind. Perhaps we can use something else to establish our nonprofit status. The other part of the cost is for someone from the facility to be on duty on the weekends because they are not open on weekends.

**Committee Reports:**

**Education Chair:** (Dawn Cutler)

Paulette DiGesare will be here January 27. We have 27 people registered, for a profit of \$450. Rosemary West is coming on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have 20 registered. Paulette is coming again on June 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be more workshops in the fall, dates and teachers TBD. We have added 12 new members from the first workshops.

**Membership:** (Ann Clardy)

We have 90 members so far for 2024 (new and returning combined).

**Newsletter:** (Susan for Nancy Welch)

Deadline for next issue is February 18!

**2024 Program Paint Ins:** (Susan for Nancy Welch)

Today's workshop is 'Nicki's Cottage' by Sandy De Angelo with Karen Schaeffert helping her.

March: Journaling with Anna Marie Oke

May: Lori Andrews' Welcome to My Garden'

July: Becky Albeke "Winter Angel"

September: Geogia Magarella "Witchy Poo" (Bobbie Takashia design)

November: Bobbie Redington "Bjorn Bear" – an ornament at our Christmas Party.

**Sunshine:** (Rose Frank):

same as Newsletter. Cards were sent to Cheryl smith and former member Sue Calvin.

**Treasure Boxes:** (Susan and Joy)

We will be painting treasure boxes on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 -4:00 PM Pacific on Zoom. Boxes are donated to the Shriner' Children's hospital in Spokane, WA. We hope you will join us.

**Publicity and Promotion:** (Susan)

Posted our meeting and paint in on our Private Face Book and Event Calendar. Invited nonmembers to attend our meetings and take the class.

Posted Paulette DiGesare's workshop on multiple FB group pages reaching 61,000 persons.

Invited 288 nonmembers to sign up for Paulette's workshop, resulting in 10 new members. Invitations for Rosemary's workshop went out this week. So far, we have received 2 new members from this.

Next, I will be researching how other groups support their businesses and teaching members, to develop that part of our group more.

**Installation of 2024 Officers:** (Susan)

Susan thanked all the 2023 Officers for their hard work last year. Monica will be stepping down from the Board but will be helping with the website while Kim gets up to speed on the website. Susan introduced the 2024 Board Members and gave a brief history of their experience with our group. The Meeting was then turned over to the new 2024 President< Nancy Welch, at 11:40AM.

**Spin the Wheel:** (Dawn)

If your name is chosen, you win your choice of \$25 toward a NWDA workshop or a \$25 e gift card of your choice from Michaels, Joann's etc. Today's winner was Sandy DeAngelo. She selected \$25 toward a future NWDA workshop.

**Show and Tell:**

The following ladies had pieces of art to show us this week: Judy, Lucille, Joy, Stefanie, and Cheryl. Thank you for sharing your treasures with us.

**Volunteers for Committees:** (Nancy)

We always need help. If you would like to help on one of our committees, please contact Nancy Welch and she will fix you up.

The Meeting was adjourned at 11:19Am Pacific Time.

Liz Carlson

Recording Secretary