

GRCC Board Meeting, May 13, 2015, Jim and Caroline Shearer's home.

Members present: Diane Durand, Kathy Kendall, Matt Hendricks, Jim and Caroline Shearer, Greg Ferguson, Jan Lewis, Christine Mooney, Bob and Jeanne Quillan, Becky Humes, and Steve Port.

Approval of Secretary's minutes: March minutes were accepted as written.

President's report: Diane Durand

- Ballot is set for the May General meeting. Everyone is running unopposed.
- Michael Koole has donated plaques that may be used in the future.

Treasurer's and membership reports: Christine Mooney

- Total balance of PayPal and checking accounts: \$2,189.89. The reports are on file.
- There are 134 members though 38 members have not renewed yet. After the June meeting they will be taken off the membership list.
- Discussion of losing members and what to do to retain them.
- A computer fee was questioned from the expenditure list. Matt Hendricks and Christine will look into it.
- Curtain rods were purchased.

VP for Programs Report: Acting, Diane Durand

- May: Eric Engelbarts II, West Michigan Sports Commission will be speaking.
- June: Possibly barn preservation.
- Jan Lewis (running unopposed for the VP for Education position) wondered about the budget for the programs. After discussion, Jan made a motion to increase the budget to \$500 for the year, Christine Mooney seconded it. Passed. The VP of Programs will have \$350 to spend until December '15. Discussion of workshop ideas and speakers.

VP of Equipment Report: Bob Quillan

- Bob made a motion to buy a collapsible cart to carry the equipment not to exceed \$50, it was tabled until Jan Lewis checks to see if she has one to donate.
- Bob will take the dead laptop to be checked out to see if it's worth fixing.

#### Competition Chair: Jeanne Quillan

- Discussed options to improve scoring, length of the meetings, member's complaints. Kathy Kendall suggested Jeanne discuss this at the general meeting so members know we are aware of some of their concerns and they can offer suggestions. The Board will continue to come up with ideas.
- Jan Lewis made a motion to add "scape" to competition beginning September 2015, Matt seconded. It passed. Jeanne Quillan, Jim Shearer, Becky Humes and Steve Port will decide upon a definition and take care of all the changes such as in the manual, slides, website, competition sheets etc.
- May judges will be Steve Port, Karen Mueller and Larry Heibel.
- June judges: Larry Horn, Jeanne Quillan and another to be determined.

#### Digital Coordinator: Jim Shearer

- Old email at digital@grcameraclub.org will no longer be utilized instead the email images@grcameraclub.org will be used for sending images in for competition and for the digital coordinator.

#### Webmaster: Matt Hendricks

- Matt, Jim Shearer, Jan Lewis and Greg Ferguson have developed a new website. Hopefully it will be "live" by the May general meeting.
- Craft pro software was given to Matt, it will make the website more user friendly.
- Matt would like to add a new section to encourage new members to the club. It would be a learning/education section. All agreed he should pursue it.

#### Lights & Shadows: Greg Ferguson

- Greg made new nametags.

- Gordon Kreager will be interviewed for the next newsletter.

#### PSA report: Jeanne Quillan

- Next year (Sept) Jeanne will ask members to send her 4-5 images to be considered for PSA. The member does not have to compete at our club.
- GRCC has done very well at PSA competition. We are in first place for nature.

#### Other Business

- Becky Humes will be added to the agenda in the future as she is the Facebook/social media coordinator. Diane suggested that if Becky cannot get total control of the site, it should be closed and begin a new one.
- Assigned subjects for 2016 will be voted upon by the Board after this meeting. Kathy Kendall will consolidate the lists and send to everyone via email.
- The next Board meeting will be in August or September.

Bob Quillan made a motion to close the meeting while Matt Hendricks seconded it. Adjourned.

The minutes were submitted by Kathy Tobin Kendall, secretary.