Wisconsin Visual Artists South Central Chapter

Meeting Minutes January 17, 2023

The South Central Chapter member meeting was held via Zoom from 6:30-9 pm.

There were brief introductions of those attending: Anesha Martinka (new), Jennifer Graham (new), Jane Barnard, Janet Nelson, Jennifer Angelo, Kaaren Oreck, Kathleen Walter, Marcia Getto, David Williams, Julie Raasch, John Hallett, Susan Hoffman, Patricia Duren, Caitilin Stolle, Jayne Reid Jackson, Mary Tilton, Ray Zovar, Kathryn Lederhause, Cyndie Rauls and Merikay Payne.

Business meeting

Next meeting is February 21 at 6:30 pm held via Zoom. Topic is to be announced.

Exhibits

"Perspectives 2023" is the state exhibition from March 2 to April 15, 2023 at the Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts, 51 Sheboygan St., Fond du Lac. Jurors, Leslie Iwai and Deborah Bremer, are evaluating entries. Notification will be sent January 30. Intake is February 20-25. March 4 is the reception. Panel talks and other activities are being developed. Pickup is April 17-21.

UW Hospital annual show is Sept. 2023.

Arboretum "A Brush with Nature" is November and December 2023.

Other venues are being developed: Monroe, Beloit

Membership

We added 11 new members in January. Our total is now 144 members (65 Professional status). Next jury for Promembership is in March. Apply on the website under Join/Benefits.

State Board Activities

TECH/WEBSITE: Research other platforms, cost analysis, benefits/limitations. Include grant options to support the potential added cost. If necessary the grant research can be a breakout group or individual. Consider hiring a limited term web designer, is there a need?

MEMBER SHOWS: Consider an ongoing format that uses works entered into and stem off of our larger shows, the biennial and perspectives. Work with other arts venues for this option, such as the James Watrous Gallery, Wausau Art Center, James May, and others. Goal; more statewide opportunities for members, and reason to keep membership renewed for those members who are only show oriented.

CONSTITUTION: Review and update. This has been done fairly recently. However, with technology and newer meeting formats, some amendments could be considered. Likely only some simple updates will be needed.

Program

The program was a critique of member art.

Merikay Payne, secretary