

Photography West Board Meeting

November 11, 2019

Members Present:

President-Mike Biondo

VP of Operations-Greg Swinney

VP of Education-Darrell Pierson

Treasurer-Ken Kvam

Secretary-Rondy Voorhees

Guests:

Patricia Casey

Larry Tannenbaum

Roni Chapman

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 pm. A change in the normal meeting time was due to a Veterans' Day concert conflict.

Darrell announced that he has plans to have refresher training for his studio instructors on equipment usage in the Studio. In the event that he is out of town, this would allow one or more of the instructors to fill in during his absence.

The November and December meetings will be addressing issues important to the 2020 Club Operations Budget.

John Beach submitted a written proposal, via Greg Swinney, suggesting that the Club purchase an inexpensive Canon 13x19 printer (approx. \$200) for the clubroom. John suggested purchasing ink on a secondary market (sets of 24 cartridges for around \$20). The cost of two grades of 13x19 paper (one gloss and the other matte/luster, or the like) would equate to about \$1.00 per sheet. John, as well as a few other members he has talked to about having a printer available, hope this might be a way to get more people into the clubroom and increase our usage of the space. In doing so, we would eliminate the threat of the Rec. Center reallocating part of our current space. Mike will poll the membership, by way of a show of hands, as to the interest in the possibility of having our own printer on the premises. It was estimated that the cost of a print would be between \$3-5.

Roni Chapman reviewed the status of the January Holiday Social. It will be at the Briarwood Golf Club on January 19, 2020. The cost of a ticket is \$35. The early-bird discount is \$10 off per ticket on the first 100 tickets sold. The Board unanimously approved budget details as presented by Roni.

Mike brought up the need for a committee of volunteers to sponsor fun activities for members to sign up and participate in together. A few of the ideas in the works are: a photo scavenger hunt, studio/still life lab, Beardsley patio barbecue, potluck dinner, and a monthly happy hour.

It was also suggested by Mike, after seeing the interest shown at Chris Wooley's Photoshop Tips presentation at the Friday meeting, that maybe there would be some interest in having once and awhile some of our own members that have advanced skills in post-processing share tips or tools.

The Board looked at budget requests that had been submitted to date. A few more committee costs will be coming in by December's meeting and the 2020 Operating Budget will be finalized and voted on.

Greg announced the next New Member Orientation Meeting is on November 20th at 3pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Secretary