

Photography West Camera Club

Minutes of Board Meeting

April 14 , 2022

OFFICERS PRESENT

Jim Keane, President
Ken Kvam, Treasurer
Greg Swinney, 1st Vice President of Operations
Doug Culliton, VP Education & Communications via Zoom
Sally Hilding, Secretary

GUESTS

Larry Tannenbaum, Eileen Arps

The meeting was called to order at 2:53 p.m. by our President, Jim Keane.

Secretary's Report: The minutes for the March 10, 2022, and the March 11, 2022, meetings were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The club finances were reviewed.

Since the club is running at a slight deficit each month, the board will discuss raising the dues for 2023 at the board meeting in the fall.

EDUCATION/COMMUNICATION: Doug Culliton

Web site: Doug can't access the web site at present to determine "hits" on each page.

Kelby One: Doug has the schedule for the classes and will put them in the Flash/Newsletter and have it announced at the Friday meetings., Doug would like to know if anyone has information for other classes so we could also offer them. There will also be some online video workshops.

Web site staff person: Susan Higgins has been granted access to be an additional Web Master. Doug and Susan have divided the duties, providing relief for Doug.

Guidelines for Friday Meetings: The guidelines are now posted on the club web site.

Mentor/Mentee: The current class has concluded. Various ideas for going forward with the program were discussed.

Newsletter: Eileen offered and solicited ideas for the upcoming newsletter.

OPERATIONS: Greg Swinney

Supplies: New mat boards have arrived; the tissue is yet to come. Dry mounting costs have increased so the club will need to slightly increase the costs of the materials.

New Member Orientation: Larry and Greg had a full room with 16/17 people.

Computers and Software: Larry is watching prices for both computers and Photoshop Elements. He may go with i5 processors instead of i7 as Elements runs well on the i5.

The computers donated by Bob West are running fine.

Larry is selling thumb drives to members.

Adobe Creative Cloud: After a lengthy discussion, Larry will call Adobe and see if the club can do a 6 month licensing agreement vs. 1 year or some other configuration that would work for the club. It was agreed that having Lightroom and Elements on the computers would be very helpful during the respective classes.

Friday Exhibitions: There is 1 more scheduled.

Competitions: The competitions are done until fall.

Socials: Greg threw out the idea of having a couple of BYOB socials during the summer. He suggested they be casual, each one bring a snack, and have it in the photo lab. It would not be under the social committee. He also wondered about a meeting once a month at the theater. If there is enough interest, Jim will check if the theater is available. There are plenty of programs that could be offered.

Patty Dardis cannot do the fall social as she will not be back in time. The board will ask Doug Allen. The Board is very thankful for the great work Patty and her committee did on the spring social.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rec Center Space Needs for 2023: Jim will take care of the following:

"Need to submit in early May, our schedule of club **Rec Center Space Needs for 2023** (from January 1st through December 31st):

- Photo Lab – Hours of operation in summer and winter with dates for cutover. Also need days of the week (M-F) where club doors are open and Monitors are required.
- Other Room Reservations for the year – for **socials** (typically in spring and fall) or **competitions** (typically in spring and fall). **Note** we get several free setups by SCWRC in a calendar year)
- Stardust Theater – for Friday Programs by Month and Dates (exclude holidays, other conflicting Friday Events).

Snowbirds: Eileen suggested that the club come up with activities over the summer that will engage the snowbirds. The club Facebook page was discussed as one way to do so with monthly photo shoot topics. Also some of the class/video offerings at the club will be done with Zoom, if possible.

Camera type: It was suggested that in the fall it might be a good idea to get some individual groups together organized by camera type as well as by subject.

Summer hours: May 16 begin summer hours for the photo lab: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 12-3.

Submitted by,

Sally Hilding, Secretary