Photography West Camera Club Minutes of Board Meeting December 14, 2023

OFFICERS PRESENT: Ella Schreiber, President

Greg Swinney, Vice President of Operations

Ken Kvam, Treasurer Sally Hilding, Secretary

GUESTS: John Frelich, Darrell Pierson, Tom Richardson, Jim Keane, Jane Burke, Mark McKinney,

Sandra Forsey, David Fudge, Nap O'Young .

The meeting was called to order at 2:44 p.m. by our President, Ella Schreiber.

Secretary's Report: Sally Hilding

The minutes to the November 9, 2023, were approved via email.

Operations: Greg Swinney.

<u>Classes</u> (for Eileen Arps, Chairperson): David Pickles will do a class on taking **cell phone** pictures, but he needs a program with an approximate cost of \$20 to do it.

Darrell Pierson will be doing a class with a **live model**. The cost is approximately \$100 per hour so he will be charging \$30 for the class, \$25 of which will go to the model and \$5 to the club, with any remaining going to the model. Mannequins are a possible option but are very expensive. Ella Schreiber suggested that we could approach the Sun City Camera Guild and get information about theirs.

Darrell also reported that the **Camera Craft** class really appreciated the hands-on nature of instruction and also working with a model.

<u>Meetings per Rec Center</u>: The Rec Center is recommending that each club can have 3 meetings outside of their regular meetings; additional meetings will cost \$250 per meeting when using a room other than a clubroom. (This does not include Stardust Theater.) There was a question on whether it is 2 or 3 meetings.

<u>Theater Council</u>: Ella Schreiber said that the Theater Council has disbanded. Contact will now be through Robert Bubon. The club needs to be alert to make sure that our club is not overcharged for a sound board. Ella shared the minutes to the Council's Election Meeting for Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

Treasurer: Ken Kwam.

The budget for next year was presented (see attached). It was moved to have approval of the budget as presented, seconded and passed.

<u>Calendar Girls</u>: Sandra Forsey said the SCW Witches Club is planning a 2025 calendar like what was done in the movie, "The Calendar Girls," and she was looking to our club for help with the photography. Darrell Pierson volunteered. The proceeds will go to charity. Various suggestions for the production process were offered.

<u>Member Resignation</u>: After a new member sent some worrisome messages to a club ambassador, outreach and follow-up was done by various members, ending with the member's resignation from the club.

Warping of Print Boards: Mark McKinney explained that the warping of the Boards is a big problem. He has explored in detail other options for our purchase of a better product, a promising one being through Amazon. There is also a good chance that we may be able to return the defective product that we now have on-hand. Various technical issues of mounting were discussed. It was decided that: 1. We would order from Amazon to test their product, 2. We will return what we have on hand, if possible, and 3. We will replace the heat press.

Greg Swinney mentioned that some of the **electrical cords** will be repaired. It appears that some cords have been pulled from the plugs by pulling on the cords alone.

<u>Facebook Page</u>: The following is a **statement of clarification**: The Facebook site is a private account open only to Photography West members. It is not a club account. Further discussion on its status will happen at the January Board meeting.

It was reaffirmed that David Fudge is functioning as an Ethics support, not as a judge.

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Submitted by

Sally Hilding, Secretary