

Photography West Camera Club  
Minutes of Board Meeting - Revised  
February 8, 2024

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Greg Swinney, President  
Tom Richardson, Vice President  
Ken Kvam, Treasurer  
Eileen Arps, Director of Education  
Cheryl Gross, Secretary

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Jim Keane, Mykee Cornelison, Heidi Wallace, Carol Graf

The meeting was called to order at 2:50 p.m. by our president, Greg Swinney.

**Minutes:** Moved by Tom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim to approve the revised January minutes. All said aye.

**Finances:** The total amount in our accounts is \$12,905.00: \$8,471.00 in checking and \$4,434.00 in savings. There were only minor expenses in the past month.

**Classes:** New classes seem to be well attended, but old classes not so much. Might we consider distributing a feedback page to those who attend the classes so that we can see what we are doing right and where we need improvement? Would it be a good idea for meetings at the Stardust Theater to have a slide about upcoming classes be on the screen while they are announced? Members will then have a visual look at what's coming up in addition to the verbal list. Classes will be listed on Facebook and sent out with the weekly Flash. A macro popup will be scheduled for another time.

**Swap Meet:** Scheduled for next week the 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10, in our club room. Only members may buy and sell cameras and gear. All monies will be exchanged directly between the buyers and sellers, not the club. Considering having a silent auction that day to sell the unwanted printer.

**Computers:** The way the plug problem at the monitor's desk was fixed was to move the desk and computer. It's now resolved. Also, a computer is at the back of the room to sign up for classes.

**Competitions:** Those running competitions in the club would like to retire. We need to get more members involved. We especially need people to help with the print judging on March 23.

**Membership:** 157 members were dropped from the club because they had not paid their dues. Probably some will return when they pay.

**Studio key:** The only key we have for that room cannot be duplicated. For the reason of safety for anyone using that room, we need to somehow get a 2<sup>nd</sup> key.

**St. Patrick's party:** It is scheduled for April 6 in the Kiva room at the Foundation. Dinner menu is set up with Pascuals; and the cost will be \$20.00/person. Announcement slides will be made and distributed for advertising. Carol needs volunteers to help with social events.

**New members:** We don't have any new members helping to run things or get involved. Greg will schedule a new-member orientation when he can get some time. Letters with copies of our new brochure will be sent to all new members, and it'll be mentioned in the letter how much we need their help. In the newsletter, we'd like to include a list of positions within the club where help is needed.

**Club room lighting:** May we upgrade the lights in the computer room and scanning room? The rec center will be asked about the possibility.

**Club brochure:** It's in the process of being updated. Before being printed, a copy will be shared with the Board of Directors for approval.

**Monthly competitions:** Discussion on the Masters' level in our club participating in the monthly themed competitions. The judge shouldn't enter his/her own photos the month he/she is judging. It would be an inspiration to the new members and encourage them to participate. Vote was taken – motion made by Tom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eileen that "Masters are treated like everyone else." They may participate, in other words. All voted aye.

**This and that:**

Only board members can ask for changes to the website.

Pam Meindl is doing a good job with the Flash.

Calendar changes need to go through Marcella Jones.

Discussion about competition results and getting that info to our members.

Club room found unlocked one morning – need to talk to the facilities assistant. Should we install a Go-pro or something similar?

**Meeting adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 4:18.

Respectfully submitted  
Cheryl Gross, Secretary