

Photography West Camera Club
Minutes of Board Meeting
March 14, 2024

OFFICERS PRESENT: Greg Swinney, President
Tom Richardson, Vice President
Ken Kvam, Treasurer
Cheryl Gross, Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: Larry Cowles, Kelly Asmussen, Darrel Pierson, David Fudge

The meeting was called to order at 2:56 p.m. by our president, Greg Swinney.

Minutes: Moved by Tom and 2nd by Ken to approve the revised February minutes. All said aye.

Finances: We're off to a good start this year with year-to-date income of \$6,957.00. Expenses to date are \$1,591.00, leaving us a balance to date of \$5,366.00

Club room lighting: Estimate to replace scanning room lighting with dimmer switches is \$300.00. Moved by Tom, 2nd by Greg to go ahead with the work. All said aye.

Competitions: We aren't doing well with the number of submitted prints. An announcement will be made at the March 15 general meeting to encourage more entries. Deadline to submit is next week Wednesday (March 20). To encourage our mentees, two people have offered to defray their printing costs. Kelly will not be available at all for the Fall competition – we need someone to replace him for that. We've got until September to find a person. Discussion about our rotating theme vs. ACCC's rotating theme. After our competition is over, Tom will ask Gene Mitofsky to change our website.

Membership: Our number is down but slowly increasing. 100+ members still haven't renewed memberships. Looking for way to compare 2023 list to now as the 2023 roster is not online.

Spring Social: Due to Carol Graf's surgery today, Ellen O'Donnell will sell tickets at the Friday meetings until Carol is well. Joyce Bowlby and another from a singing group will perform at this social, singing some Irish tunes.

Mentor/Mentee Program: A great deal of discussion was held. We have five in the program. Six others dropped out for various reasons. Should the program be broken up into Spring and Fall 'semesters', of sort? Tag-team mentoring is more appealing.

Classes: Eileen is a good brainstormer with fantastic ideas and should be part of this. Members aren't practicing enough what they learn. Invite them to attend a presentation on a subject then have a hands-on class about it. Start on this curriculum now, and it can be adjusted over time according to abilities of our members.

This and that: Members selling their equipment on our Facebook page is now OK. There are rules to abide by, though; and those will be posted on Facebook. Motion by Greg, and 2nd by David.

Meeting adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:08.

Respectfully submitted
Cheryl Gross, Secretary