

Ocala Decorative Artist May 23, 2015 meeting

Called to order by president Mary Tougas, 11 members and 2 guests present.

The minutes from the April meeting were read by the president, since members could not get them on-line. Minutes approved :Motion made by Carole S. and Barb B.

Workshops for the balance of the year were discussed: June- Carole S.- a calligraphy Painting; July- Pat.S- two 12x12 acrylics; Aug.- Maria De Curtis- finish plate project and a picnic lunch(everyone bring a dish) and exchange greeting cards. Some members were concerned about finishing plate because they could not be there-A follow-up to help them finish was discussed. Sept.- Bea P- small lamp shade or 12x12 acrylic; Oct.- Sonja B.- acrylic project; Nov.- Pat S.- stain glass effect box; Dec.- Christmas Party.

Committee Reports:

Membership- Sandy H. asked to compile a new membership list.

Memory Boxes- Kathy said they were still on back order, but she had some larger ones donated by the nurses available.

Web Master- Carole S. asked members to notify her if they had a problem with web site, so she could correct.

Sunshine- Ruth, received a thank you card from Maria Luisa- She was told that Hazel is having back surgery next week.

Education- Barb - she asked how many completed the homework she gave out last month (checking Paints on hand) Members were given a small bag of marbles and told to try 'one of these for mixing paint, insert in bottle, shake until quiet', much better way to mix it. She passed out two more sheets; discontinued colors and a member general supply list. Barb also suggested that members write color name on cap, this makes it easier to find the one you want.

Mary T. passed out the proposed budget and discussed some changes for the rest of the year. Membership fee will stay at \$12.00.,

The Ways and Means will be doing a 50/50 raffle instead of birthday bag raffle, charge for Christmas party and instead of red Basket have a raffle for membership, gift cards, etc.

Mary pointed out that the treasury was getting low, so members should think about some fund raisers to help increase funds. She said they could increase the dues to take care of shortfall, but that would put them over \$40.00. Several ideas were discussed. Mary asked the members to look into these and come back next month with suggestions.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35a.m.

Show-n-tell: Diane- thunder drum; Margaret-project using wax and rice paper;Sandy- gourd; Pat- paintings done with china paint; Carole- portraits including a self- portrait. She also told the members about two yearly classes which were being offered on-line.

Margaret Frederick did this months workshop; a memo/pencil holder. Hospitality was thanked for providing refreshments

Respectively submitted;

Lou White- secretary