



Art Committee Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Johanna Delaney, Chair; Kathleen Wilson, Trustee; Pam White; Karen Kleckner Keefe, Executive Director

Absent: Pat Potokar; Laura Tortorello; Vicky Bush-Joseph

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes

On a motion by Kathleen Wilson and seconded by Pam White, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Update on David Lee Csicsko Commission

Keefe informed the committee that Csicsko had written to her that tiles were painted and in the process of being fired. He would send pictures.

The committee asked Keefe to get pictures of both the tiles and mosaic work from Csicsko and to confirm his ability to meet the December 31 installation deadline in his contract.

Rotating Exhibits

The committee discussed the Winter Exhibit by Gary Niederpreum. A reception will be held on January 12. Johanna Delaney will help Niederpreum install his work around December 1.

Darcy Zoells has returned her signed agreement for the spring exhibit.

Johanna Delaney talked about the need to re-evaluate the work of the committee. Rotating exhibits are getting harder to book and receptions are seeing lower attendance. Revenue from used books sales is dropping. With four new Trustees joining the Board in May, this seems like a good time for the Art Committee to take a hiatus and reconvene in the fall to discuss the scope of work they would like to undertake and the composition of an Art Committee necessary to do that work.

The committee agreed that if the Art Committee were to focus on collection development going forward, they would need to identify other funding opportunities.

If there is interest in recruiting new members to the Art Committee, reception attendees and former exhibitors are potential candidates.

Other Business

Pam White shared information about a current exhibit at Elmhurst College by Benjamin F. Calvert III.

She also shared information about an upcoming Art Exhibition being sponsored by the SpeakEasy Spiritual Community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.