

KEN CARYL ART GUILD

Minutes of the General Directors and Members Meeting
Thursday, April 17, 2025

MEETING DETAILS:

- Location: In-person meeting at the home of Charlie Cassel.
- Call to Order: 7:35 PM
- Board Members Present: Cindy Marshall, Judy Ahlborn, Steve McCall, Alexis McDowell, Steve Begej
- KCAG Members in Attendance: Charlie Cassel, Karen Morjig, Norbert Nagel, Traci Wilson, Suzanne Burnell (new), and Rene Yaws (new).

TREASURER's REPORT:

- Treasurer Steve McCall reported a March 31st balance of \$345 from the last monthly statement, though an online query on April 15th showed a current balance of \$389.
- The surprisingly low balance resulted from an unexpectedly large \$552 charge from the KCAG website host Go Daddy. Webmaster Judy Ahlborn will investigate the issue, which might be related to unwanted add-on services.
- The current KCAG P.O. Box will cost \$166/m. Abandonment is not an option, as it is needed to preserve KCAG status as a non-profit organization. A smaller mailbox might be considered, if available.
- The bank balance is expected to increase in the next few months as membership dues are collected, and from possible contributions from member sales commissions at the St. Andrew Art Show in May.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Jeffco High School Art Show at the Arvada Center
 - KCAG members Charlie, Karen, Bruce Nall, and Judy volunteered to judge the show on April 9 from 1 – 3 pm
 - KCAG will provide an award of \$100 to our selected recipient Kira Hall
 - Voting was reported to be very close, with judges having difficulty choosing between two excellent artists. Karen suggested that in the future KCAG accommodate such situations by offering 1st and 2nd place awards, but the Board declined to do so at this time.

- KCAG Show at St. Andrew Church in Highlands Ranch
 - Entry deadline was March 7, 2025
 - Alexis reported that 7 KCAG artists responded and will show approximately 35 pieces. The space at the venue was judged to be adequate to accommodate this number.
 - Alexis will create and distribute artwork labels needed for the show
 - Artwork intake: Friday, May 16, from 8am – 12noon
 - Show reception: Sunday, May 18, 10am to noon, with KCAG providing light snacks such as cookies (but no donuts), and St. Andrew providing refreshments
 - Show duration: May 18 to June 25
 - Art takedown: Wednesday, June 25, from 4 – 6pm

- Atlas Coffee meetup
 - The meetup will occur on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9am, with May 3rd being the next date.
 - Members of the Pastel Society suggested a different Saturday due to a conflict with a Paintout that had been moved to the same date each month.
 - The Board recalled that the Atlas meeting date had just recently been moved to the 1st Sat of every month. To avoid confusion, the current date and time was retained for the moment, pending future review.

- KCAG Art Show at the Ken Caryl Ranch Art Festival
 - The KCR Festival will be on Saturday, June 14, in the upstairs Shaffer Room at the Ranch House from 10 – 4pm
 - Any artwork sales must be between the Artist and client directly, as there will be no involvement of KCAG or the KC Ranch House in the transaction. It is recommended that contact information be attached to the artwork, or the artist be present during the show.
 - Setup for the KCAG show will be on Friday, June 13, at a time to be announced, probably 4 – 6pm
 - Takedown will be after immediately the show from 4 – 6pm
 - The KCR Festival itself will host two shows for Ken Caryl residents, one for adults and another for kids
 - Other activities organized by KCR may include live music, balloons, face painting, and a jump house
 - KCAG may also provide additional activities. Suggestions and volunteers are solicited
 - There will be some overlap with the KC Farmer's Market also held at the Ranch House on the same day from 9am – 2pm, though it is expected that this will be mutually beneficial and help increase attendance at both events
 - Cindy will send out a KC Ranch flier of the event, when available.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Cindy reminded meeting attendees that membership renewals will happen in July, in addition to elections for Board Positions.
- In advance of nominations and elections, it was suggested that a copy of the KCAG Bylaws be posted on the KCAG website so that members can become informed of various Board Member responsibilities and duties, and of the formal structure of the KCAG organization. The Board approved this suggestion, and a copy will be provided to Judy for posting on the KCAG website.
- Several members announced participation in upcoming shows, including the 2nd largest national pastel exhibit at the Curtis Arts Center. The reception will be on May 16th 6-8pm, and the show running to the end of June.

NEXT MEETING:

- The next KCAG Board and General meeting will be on Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 7:30pm at Cindy's home, unless otherwise notified.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:34pm

MINUTES: Recorded and submitted by S. Begej