Central Texas Pastel Society Board Meeting May 9, 2023

Attendees: Jane Copeland, Debbie Pridgeon, Julia Fletcher, Ester Jones, Jan Frazier, and Cynthia Bsaibes

Absent: Therese McHugh, Julia Choate

Secretary:

Motioned to have the April board meeting and general meeting minutes approved. These are approved, and will be forwarded to Therese to post on the website.

Treasurer:

Debbie reported that there is \$3,751.40 in the bank.

Workshop/Program Chair:

- We should plan to have a Zoom demo for September.
- Jane suggested 2 artists: Kim Eshelman, and Lana Ballot.
- Julia suggested Charlie Hunter would be a good speaker.

For the upcoming workshop:

- Jane will check with parks and rec. To see if we can leave the easels up.
- Is there a projector, WiFi cable, and HDMI
- Guest artist asked if we are paying for airport parking?

We discussed that fewer workshops are being advertised, and that they are harder to fill. We are hopeful we will get enough participation for our workshop.

Airport Exhibit

- Jan Frazier sent out the airport prospectus.
- Each artist should have 1 or 2 paintings ready
- Maximum size of the image is 16 by 20 inches
- Therese will put prospectus on the website
- Paintings will have to be dropped off at Jan's house. If a member can't drop his/her painting, he/she must find another person to drop it off at Jan's house.

Library exhibit

• The library requested a short blurb about the exhibit. Jan sent a brief description.

New Business

We need a door prize for Saturday's meeting. Jan Frazier donated a set of pastels.

Great news, Julia Fletcher was awarded best in show at the Paint the Town Plein Air Exhibit in Marble Falls.

When the new board starts we will discuss:

- Door prizes for next year
- Other things we can do at meetings

Jane reported on the President Forum Grant

- How can we engage the community in pastel art?
- We will form a committee to generate ideas. Debbie and Cynthia agreed to work on the committee.
- We will ask some non-board members to help with this project.

Austin Pastel Society asked CTPS to join 6 other Texas pastel societies for a show at Art Works in the spring of 2024.

- Entry fee \$40 for first painting, and \$20 for additional paintings.
- We agreed this would be a good opportunity and will participate.

The 2023 Program Chair is still vacant.

Cynthia discussed starting a plein air group for CTPS.

- Other members suggested joining the Round Rock group.
- I will discuss this with Therese and get back to Jane.

Esther Jones has started a call to artists for Bible clusters art group.

- She posts a scripture or passage from the Bible and artists are to create art in response to it. The art can be music, painting, or sculpture.
- A different artist is featured each month.
- The art is shown and discussed the first Sunday of each month at 8:00p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08.