WAA MEMBERS MEETING
10/16/24

Called to Order
The meeting was Called to order by **Susan Barnard- President 10:30** am
Reading of the Minutes by Tony Francisco

Susan Barnard- Discussed the possibility of having a members only show. Do we want one? How long should it be? We would welcome feedback about this.

Treasurer/Membership Reports: Randy
At the start of the month we had $2,900 in the bank and ended up with $3,700. We have $27,722 in Money Market and CDs. Our workshops are a great way for us to make money. Are they paying for themselves? They tend to average out. We could have more or longer shows with the money we make and get our name out into the community better. We are hoping for better attendance at our workshops. We are up to 110 members with 3 new members. Renewal dues are due January 1st.

A discussion ensued with Vic asking how much money do we really need? Is it a question of a better plan on how to spend it. Bonnie made the point that we can maybe use the money toward community causes. More money is never bad because there can be unexpected expenses in the future. We as a non-profit are expected to benefit the community in some way. And we could do this in various ways. There are art teachers in Brunswick County for example who can really use help in terms of buying materials. They are not too well supported by the educational budget.

Grants and Show – There is no new information in these areas as of yet it is too early.
We need someone to chair the scholarship committee.

Kathy Durstewitz will be staying on with the Sunshine committee

Classes and Demos- Barbara McCumber
Alex's class needs 5 more members or it will be cancelled. We need a minimum of 8. Todd Carrigan's plein air class will be November 7th at Sunset Beach. Rachel Jones Imperfect Stories will be 11/21th any aspect of art that you know well and would like to share with the rest of the members. Demos are always the 1st Wednesday of the month and are only 20 minutes.
The second Wednesday of December we will have a party/get together day. Do what you want in the creative spirit and maybe in the spirit of the holiday.

Galleries and Shows- The Columbus County Art Show will be 10/23. The North Carolina Yam Festival Art Show will be 10/25. The Oak Island Art Show will be 11/1.

We are considering to expand our variety of art with photography being one of the categories in addition to the painted canvas. Pat gave a talk about how photography can be a fun and rewarding area for members to explore. We may also want to have a class done on the subject of photography as an art form.

Motion to adjourn (10:58)