

Peninsula Art Association
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2025
Recorded by Diane Garner

Board meeting 12:15 Present: Elinor Lindquist, Bonnie Jubb, Jim Dunithan, Louise Bartol, Greg Bartol, Diane Garner, Dave Pierik, Stefanie Herman, Becky Schuyten and Kathy Jacobson. This board includes members from the interim board, as well as nominees for the new board.

Becky would like board members to act as **greeters** to new members, so they don't feel lost at their first meeting. She also wants to make sure that folks can still be members even if the membership fee is a problem. We will find a way to make sure their dues are covered if they are unable to pay.

Dave Pierik suggested we raise dues from \$25 annually to \$35. The consensus was that we don't want the cost to be a deterrent, so we will leave it at \$25 for now.

Meetings will now be year-round, on the second Thursday of the month, at the Shelton Civic center from 1:00-3:00pm. Board meetings will be held before general meetings at noon of the same day. We are grateful to the Shelton Civic Center for giving us the room rate of \$45 per month.

Our **phone tree** is up and running. Most volunteers were able to reach their groups and we agreed that the system mostly works well.

Member Jim Dunithan is having a one-man show at the Civic Center on Saturday November 15 from 12:00-5:00pm. Be sure to stop by and support Jim.

Our **Christmas party** will be during our regular meeting date, on December 11. Festivities start at noon. Please bring finger food to share. Keep in mind the Civic Center is protective of their carpeting, so please don't bring gooey, sticky, messy, drippy items, or cupcakes with frosting. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring a small, wrapped hand-crafted item to exchange.

Andrea at Museum Contempo has offered to share 20% of her profits from her current show to help fund our annual YMCA event. Be sure to stop by her open house on December 6 from 1:00-3:00 pm and support our artists Sharon Brocha and Delores Brown. Sharon would like to have a ballpark idea of who is planning to come, so they can plan refreshments. Let Sharon or Delores know if you can make it.

It was suggested that we create a **master calendar** of events so we can plan the whole year in advance.

Our **YMCA event** is tentatively planned for February 7, from 1:00-3:00 pm. We are looking for people who are willing to teach students different art mediums. This is a fun event we

have done the past couple of years, and it is well received by the YMCA. Please consider spending a winter afternoon sharing your skills with kids. We will be looking for volunteers during our December meeting.

The **Shelton Creative District** is considering an Art Stroll in February. Amy Cooper will be looking for artists who are willing to show their work in a local business for the event. We will take signups at our December meeting.

General meeting 1:00 pm.

Welcome to new member Linette Hensley who comes to us from Harstine Island.

Welcome back to Gail Straus, who has returned to our membership.

Please see above notes for details about upcoming events.

Annual Dues are due in January. All members, even returning members, are requested to fill out a membership form. This helps us to confirm your payment and to keep our membership rosters updated.

Bonnie Jubb will have membership applications at the December and January meetings.

Elections

Membership approved the list of nominees for leadership positions.

Our new board is:

President: Becky Schuyten

Vice President: Kathy Jacobson

Secretary: Diane Garner

Treasurer: Bonnie Jubb

Board members: Elinor Lindquist, Jim Dunithan, Sue Saathoff, Stefanie Herman and Dave Pierik.

Program: Greg and Louise Bartol shared with us two inspiring videos of artists and their unique mediums for self-expression.

Treasurer's report:

Cash: \$2064.05

Prepaid expenses: \$891.11

Liability: \$71.81

Equity: \$3026.97

We continue to pass the hat for donations at every meeting. We do this in lieu of fundraisers, and the money is used for expenses that our dues don't cover. We appreciate your generosity. Donations for our November meeting were \$141.00

Sharon Brocha brought in \$30 in donations from the Lake Limerick artist group to help cover costs for the YMCA event.

Art supplies for schools So far, we have been able to deliver big boxes of supplies to Oakland Bay Junior High, Olympic Middle School and Bordeaux Elementary. Thank you for cleaning out your studios and sharing supplies with the folks who really need it. The art teachers have been appreciative of your generosity. This is a great way for PAA to give back to the community. Keep them coming!

Shelton Parks and Rec is planning their 2026 calendar and would love to add some art classes to its offerings. If you have an idea for a class you would like to teach, please see Jordanne Krumpols at the Civic Center. She is eager to get more class offerings, and you will be well reimbursed for your time. Member Glenhelen Smither has done this and might be able answer questions for you.

Show and Tell

Nick Altieri brought in several pieces of his abstract art. He explained how he is interested in different textures in his work.

Stefanie Herman shared three of her whimsical watercolors.

Sherry Coupe shared a watercolor of a waterfall.

Annie Jones brought in a pastel painting of herself clam digging in the wind.

Dave Pierik shared another of his creations from his Happy Tree Village. Today he brought "The Mayor's House". You can see the rest of his village in the window of the Journal office on Cota Street.

Pat Denney brought in a tile painted with fish in multiple mediums.

Diane Garner shared three attempts at painting a watercolor scene of the Wenatchee river, and asked for advice before she goes for her fourth try.

Glenhelen Smither brought buttons she has made featuring some of the themes she has used in her happy artwork.

Doug Meade shared an sculpture in progress of an octopus made of a purple stone from India.

