

Peninsula Art Association

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2024

Recorded by Diane Garner

Board meeting 12-1:00 pm

Agenda

1. **Reports from youth art day at the YMCA January 6.** Participants indicated it was a successful day, and everyone had a good time. Changes for next time include purchasing or reimbursing for art supplies for presenters. Also, we decided that next time we would make fewer packets for distribution. Leftover supply packets were donated to a group of kids with disabilities and to Turning Pointe shelter, both of whom were delighted to receive them.
2. **Update roster** – Sharon Brocha will compile a list of those who have paid dues for 2024, and a new roster will be created. It is important to know that some members do not wish to have their personal information shared, and we need to honor that when creating a roster.
3. **2024 Spring Art show** Dates are very tentatively scheduled for April 29-May 3. We are hoping to get a clear week at the civic center, but we await word from Jordanne Krumpols to see when that will be. There are a lot of activities scheduled at the civic center in the spring.

Members only show – the majority decided on a members-only show again.

We will need people to fill the following positions:

- a. Program chair *-unfilled*
- b. Set up and haul display panels – *Becky Schuyten*
- c. Publicity *-unfilled*
- d. Awards and gifts – *unfilled* - it was suggested that the awards be gift cards to Blick art supplies.
- e. Host scheduling – *Kathy Jacobson* (depending on the show dates and her travel schedule)
- f. People's choice – *unfilled* Ballot box, ballots.

Board discussions

Phone tree We decided to create a phone tree to get information out quickly to membership of meeting changes inclement weather etc. Julie Bowman volunteered to work on that.

Help with Spring show – The board approved to hire Gethsemane ministries to help set up and break down the display boards for the spring show. When Becky S arrived, she said that she and her crew had it covered and it wasn't necessary to hire someone.

Publicity We need to work on getting the word out to the community about PAA and what we do. It was mentioned that it has been difficult to get noticed in the Journal. However, later in the meeting, Dave (?) from the journal arrived, so maybe they notice us more than we think. Another suggestion was that we reach out to local churches to publicize our events.

Art supply packets While we enjoyed giving out packets of art supplies, it was suggested we would need to offset the cost with a fundraiser.

PAA Coloring book We are still exploring the option of creating a coloring book to sell as a fundraiser

Shelton Saturday market Another option for PAA exposure is having a table at the Saturday market. In addition, it was suggested that we can have a kid's activity table at the market, so kids would have something to do while their parents shopped. *Renee M* said she can help coordinate. Rent for the space is \$25 or a percentage of sales, whichever is less.

Youth connection another suggestion was to have PAA members work with kids for 2-3 hours a week to teach art to kids at the Youth Connection.

General meeting 1:00-4:00pm

We went over much that had already been discussed in the Board meeting.

Introductions We are still working on learning everyone's names. We need to bring and use name tags to help.

Treasurer's report A big thanks to *Kathy J* for being careful about spending. Although \$2500 was budgeted for art supply packets, Kathy spent only \$1105.71. If you had expenses related to the Jan 6 YMCA event, talk to *Sharon B* about being reimbursed. 2024 dues are due now. Cost is \$25 annually for an individual, \$35 for a family. Sharon has membership applications. Please make a note if you do not want your personal information shared on our roster. **Total balance to date is \$3844.48**

Kids Art Day at the Y Reviews were positive about the event.

Sherry Coupe: Had a great time

Sharon Brocha: Liked the registration/giveaway table, and liked the way kids were able to move from table to table to choose different activities.

Diane G: Paper beads were fun, kids were happy and successful

Pat D: Watercolor was fun, parents were beaming.

Renee M: Colored pencil. We got younger kids than we expected.

Kathy J: Enjoyed the events

Julie B: enjoyed hand painting, had some trouble with kids keeping it below the elbow 😊.

Avery H: Enjoyed the teen drawing table, was pleased at how many kids stayed.

The art supply giveaways were a plus, and families were delighted to receive them.

Spring Art show We discussed what the board talked about earlier (see above). More information to come once the dates are solidified.

One person suggested a junior section at the show, but most members didn't think that would be do-able. Another person suggested a juried show, but long-time members recalled the expense and effort required for a juried show was more than PAA wanted to do right now. Becky S suggested that the show be moved to early June. Pat D will look into it.

Next meeting February 8 at the Shelton Civic Center, 1:00pm.
Vicky Stearn will demonstrate Mini Mosaics

Show and tell:

Kathy Ross brought a paper mâché sculpture from her "SHUT UP" series. It was a car with feet, suggesting that foot power is quieter than motor power.

Renee M brought a colored pencil drawing of her cat, and asked for suggestions to improve it (it already looked pretty good)

Larry Harbaugh brought a collection of gourd and pine needle bowls. He also brought an amazing carving of a belted kingfisher.

Pat D brought a painting of a girl with cows. She was reminiscing about her childhood friend and their time growing up together on the farms.

Sherry C brought a sample of how to make a paper Christmas tree.

Diane G brought beads she made from wrapping paper scraps leftover after the PAA Christmas party. Kathy Ross took them home and hopefully will do something wonderful with them.

Activity – Tracy Homan's dot mandalas. Tracy demonstrated the painstaking work she does on her beautiful rock mandalas.

Notes: Look up craftytimewithdave.com to see creations and tutorials from our new member Dave (?) from the Journal. His work can also be seen at the Journal offices. Kathy R recommends Weldbond glue for embellishing her paper mache projects.